**Woman Attacked By Physical Therapist**

BY MELVIN-TAPP

**PART II**

A few weeks ago we report on a sexual attack by a physical therapist, Suzan Kazakezilina on Lisa Reid-All who eventually lost her job and disability.

Because the clinic is second only to her sister's practice of medicine, Lisa believed the note was from her fisherman and mother. The note was always unsigned but in the note she wrote, "When mymister and I got to the place she wasn't there, so we waited. After a few minutes, a man who didn't arrive went across the building and he left--Lisa," "After I called my sister who said she had heard from her mother who also said she left the note." Upon leaving the practice, Lisa said she was still confused and started to leave alone, "It was very special, I said to myself, 'I shouted at him so I must be thinking of something,'" Lisa said.

In the meantime, State Tom has had Lisa to see no other medical clinic for treatment. During that period Lisa was ordered back to work, and she was reported as complications of pain to the point, "I told only was able to stay two hours," "I left Lisa to the other medical clinic we were not amenable to prosecution," "I said,' I couldn't really relax and I don't trust the therapists because I'm in pain and I need someone who will help me,'" The pain is still there.

The Department of Labor has instructed the therapists to cease their practice, "I'm afraid I can't contact the police. Lisa," "I can't do that; I was afraid to have it happen again with CONTINUED ON B-4

**Alberton's Employees File Million Dollar Lawsuit**

Re California women filed major class action lawsuit today accusing the Alberton's of applying for insurance agent positions.

BY MELVIN TAPP

The women all faulted Alberton's for failing to provide training and for discriminating them from seeking advancement. The suit also noted women were required to wear uniforms, although men were not. Their suit stems from charges they filed with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The EEOC's investigation showed that women represented less than 30% in California and only 20% in the State of Alberton.

The Goldbank-based Alberton's law firm has filed similar cases against other four grocery chains in California. The firm, which specializes in defense of discrimination cases, recently obtained the largest single employment civil rights lawsuit, $15 million.

Black Voice News Honored With Golden Image Award

Publisher of the Black Voice News, Cheryl Brown, was honored with a Golden Image Award by the Southern California School Public Relations Association (CalSPRA)

Cheryl Brown was recognized with an Award of Excellence for her tabloid publication on San, By the Bay, a publication issued to employees. The newspaper was published in late September, sold out in words and by the cost of the newspaper. Cost was $100,000 in profits, programs and staff members of seven publications located in the world of San Bernardino.

Ann Mack, past president program, explained as she was the award that her goal in publishing the newspaper would be to give the community some fine programs and accomplishments.
Serious dietary mistakes are often made by adults; they can involve in some aspect of the drug trade; and they are often victimized by drug-related burglary, crime, and violence.

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I had heard about their innovative program presented days before finals, only to be rewarded with an annual turn out. I argued with the students over the lack of support from you, the Afro-American community; I learned something and I am confident that each of you would have benefited.

Simultaneous Academy met at the same time in an area of campus. I had heard about their innovative program and went to see the program. I was even invited to help that in "bilingual" on health care. I was bewildered as to what I was participating in the "Health and Health counseling. From my perspective, we would have had a good food immensely. The advanced program encouraged high school student participation with limited funds. Despite this reason, the overall leadership was still not supportive. They talk from many of you about problems in our community—wars, poverty, AIDS, gangs (Crips, Bloods and others) and problems with our youth. All of us are disturbed during and after the LA riots. Many of you remained glued to your TV sets. There were others for business and educational opportunities, when we thought the healing of the African-American community reached a high point. Perhaps you did not support them, but you did not show up. High school counselors— you did not go out to the schools. Ministers -- you did not get your congregation involved. Community leaders -- when were you there? This is another example of our inactivity, and lack of leadership support.

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Recently, President George Bush joined Houston Oilers star quarterback Warren Moon and United Negro College Fund Chairman Bill Gray at a fundraising dinner that raised $180,000 for the UNCF. President George Bush participated the fundraiser for the United Negro College Fund. Pictured are U.N.C.F. Chairman Bill Gray (left) and star quarterback Warren Moon (right).

SBA Approves First Disaster Loans In L.A.

The Black Student Union and NBCC's 5th Economic Summit of Black Business Summit and the National Black Chamber of Commerce (NBCC) has called for an economic summit of Black business owners in Fort Worth, TX, on June 17, 1992, the NBCC's President and CEO, Oscar J. Coffey, announced recently.

With the theme "Silver Rights -- Our Emancipation," the summit is being scheduled in conjunction with the NBCC's 5th Annual Conference that will convene at the Worthington Hotel, Fort Worth, TX, June 17, 1992.

Blacks And Vietnamese To Help Victims

Norco-West High School's Black Student Union and Vietnamese Club have joined forces to show unity and support for the victims of the riots in South Central Los Angeles. They are sponsoring a food and clothing drive that is presently going on. To encourage school participation, the club Administration is offering prizes to the second period class that commits the most donations.

For further information please call Brenda Weinrich or Sharron Lewis at (714) 351-9316. Three weeks ago after the $500 million for the SBA disaster loans became available the application deadline. For information on SBA and other disaster assistance programs, call the disaster information line at 1-800-555-0321. The TDD number for the deaf or hearing impaired is 1-800-659-0000.

Home and business owners in Los Angeles county that suffered damage in the April 29 civil disorders can apply for an SBA disaster loan through July 2, the application deadline. For information on SBA and other disaster assistance programs, call the disaster information line at 1-800-555-0321. The TDD number for the deaf or hearing impaired is 1-800-659-0000.

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His extensive twenty-year background as an active consulting and practicing attorney in the business financial sphere makes him a debt arbitrator with a high success rate. Eight out of ten times, a debt settlement is made that both parties can enthusiastically accept.

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Heard To Speak At Women's Day

Aileen Judge, A.M.E. Bishop of San Bernardino, under the pastoral guidance of Reverend Robert L. Cox, is cordially inviting all the women of the 40 Area of the A.M.E. Church to a conference to be held on Saturday, June 20, 1992, at 10:30 a.m., at the Macedonia Baptist Church.

Reverend Judge, who has already addressed the issue of rape and domestic violence in this church, is expected to speak on the theme: "Church and the Woman: Where are we going?"

The conference is open to all women, and it is anticipated that a high turnout will be present. Women are encouraged to attend and to bring their friends.

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Mary Bethune Senior Achievement Awards

On June 13, 1992, the National Council of Negro Women, Riverside Section, is having their first annual Mary McLeod Bethune High School Senior Achievement Award Banquet. This event will be held at the Mayor's Patios at Riverside City Hall, 9:00am start.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Mary Louise Patterson — Gilmer, a pedestrian for Kaiser in Riverside. Some of the sweetest moments will be the story of Carolyn Markay, Professor of Psychology at UC Riverside, Dean of Students, Family Practitioner at Kaiser in Pomona, Mrs. Morris Brown, principal, Sierra Middle School, Ms. Ralph Barnes, Producer and Cobett for "Taking Care of Business" cable program channel program.

For more information call Sally Wilder at 874-2344.

Goodies Sale

At the University of Hawaii and the World of Hawaii. Scouts will be at Waikiki Beach. Scouts will be selling decals and magnets to help with the Goodies Sale.

Rummage And Bake Goods Sale

The M.O.B. Organization will hold a Rummage and Bake Goods Sale, Saturday, June 13th from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Mediterranean M.B. Park, 2744 W. Radio Ave. Proceeds will benefit Legal Fund. Coffee will be served to customers. For more information call Sally Wilder at 874-2344.

Juneteenth Celebration Planned

For Fontana

The Fontana Community Service Department of the City of Fontana, Fontana Parade Committee present Juneteenth Celebration at North Fontana Park, Jessie Turner Community Center, 6936 Cimino Avenue (1 block north of Highland) Saturday, June 20. The Fontana Community Parade will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the City Hall, 11501 Foothill Boulevard. There will be approximately 250 entries including speakers, d.j.'s, car show, raffles, vendors, parade, street dancing, playing tournament and more. For more information call 230-6784.

Cooper-Sutherland Local Athlete Runs After Dream

Racing has been a part of Sonja's life since she was 6 years old. Growing up in Rio, Sonja was bearing up to the boys in the finish line. She joined the Royal Roadrunners Track Club. She competed all over the United States and won several national championships. It was then that she knew her dream was to someday run in the Olympics.

Sonja began to blossom into an Olympic hopeful after her college running career. After college she met her current coach Benny Brown. He started training her to be a woman. He provided a list of positive reinforcement.

Sonja, who before meeting Brown had never run the 400 meter faster than 2 minutes, 12 seconds, has trimmed an impressive 2 seconds off her time during her first season with him, running 2:05.34 in the Jack-In-The-Box Invitational at UCLA. Last season she ran 2:04.51 in Los Gatos, a career best and a qualifying mark for the Olympic trials, which also rank her as 28th in the United States' women's 400 meter, February 1992 issue.

It hasn't been easy, though. Sonja normally works full-time as a program director for a human services center in La Puente, she is now working part-time. Sonja hopes she can afford to take a leave from work in order to get the necessary training in before the Olympic trials which will be held in New Orleans in June 1992.

Support this local athlete in her Olympic dream. A donation of any amounts will help with necessary expenses.

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From The Publishers:
There are many critics speaking about the condition of our schools. We wonder how many critics are involved in PTA, PTSA, School Site Council, or if they volunteer in the classroom. It has been our experience that people who are involved in the education process from the inside become advocates.

We had the opportunity to visit ten of Morneo Valley's schools. We found a contagious enthusiasm that started at the top, with the school board and was manifested in the children and young adults.

We found parents, and grandparents at Midland, who bought in a feast for students in several classrooms for a gigantic potluck, just before Thanksgiving.

We were impressed at Ramona, by the ticket system that controls behavior and Project L.E.A.D. where students were learning to understand what a handicap person must go through to do the things so many take for granted.

At Palm Middle School, we were greeted by students speaking different languages and studying different cultures. The science class, where students were surrounded by nature, was fascinating.

At Butterfield, the staff believes, it takes, the students, parents and community to help them provide the environment that will help each student, reach their potential. Their Arts Magnet will instill self confidence and develop future talent.

Edgemont Elementary School, has one of the most exciting computer labs. Although all of the schools have computers, some have more of a concentration than others. The Bilingual program is very extensive. In first grade everything is taught in Spanish, the books are in Spanish and English is taught as a second language in Art Music and PE. By the third grade students go to complete English.

Sunnymead Elementary and Sunnymead Middle School are also very unique schools, the teachers tend not to allow the classroom to be confined to four walls. Students were having fun making animals on the grass from large sheets of colored paper. Some students were receiving intensive computer help in the lab. The students were so friendly, they were happy to join us in the photo session out of doors.

At Moreno Valley High School, the Principal is excited about her school! Her students! Her staff! She is proud of being the school that began it all. When we got there we found students, at lunch, walking around campus reading, or reading at their lunch table, or in groups with excitement looking at the yearbook, the closed campus seems to have a calming effect on them.

March Mountain, assures everyone who wants an education will get one and that all of life's obstacles can be overcome. They help the new mother with her baby. And they help the new immigrant to learn to speak English. They help anyone, at any age, who did not or who could not finish high school, because located on their campus is the community adult school. They bend over backward to help everyone who walks through their door.

Finally, we went to Alessandro Middle School. The office was buzzing, students were coming in to perform for the staff. The music came on, and Bridge Over Troubled Water was playing. The students were ever so quiet. They began to use sign language and signed the entire song. Upon completion, the principal Mr. Taglieri, asked for an interpreter who signed the message he gave. He said, many hearing people had been enriched because the non hearing students were a part of that class. He thanked the deaf students and when he finished tears were running down all of our cheeks.

Yes, there are many critics of our education system, and we are sure there are many improvements that still need to be made, however, after visiting ten of the finest schools to be found anywhere, we see the changes that are taking place. The Middle School concept is an idea whose time has come. It will be a safety net that will catch and a bridge that will carry the students over in the troubled years. Recently the High School equivalent was published by the State Department of Education, it will teach teachers to work with other staff members, parents, community and the whole student. We invite you to visit and become involved in a local school and see if you don't come away impressed and amazed about what is being accomplished.

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In addition to the regular academic program, Butterfield Elementary will fully implement its magnet program in Visual Performing Arts/Language by next year.

"This year is a planning year," said first year principal Dan Brooks, "but we're already working with some of the programs."

Magnet schools provide a choice for students, and parents as well, as an opportunity to broaden student's learning experiences in an integrated setting. Students will be provided with the opportunity to participate in high interest literature, oral language and writing activities, as well as dance, drama, music, and art.

"All people have much in common with each other," said Brooks, "through song and dance." "You see the similarities when you deal with the arts."

The school, with a population of 1,104, is the largest elementary school in the district and opened in 1984. "The campus has tremendous potential," said Brooks, "in that we can do so much with the space afforded us." In addition to the multipurpose room, which Butterfield calls the theatre, there is an outdoor amphitheater and a covered basketball court. "We are in the process of working out the physical adaptations now," said the principal. The school was half elementary and half middle school in the past. "We want to add bars and swingsets," he said.

Using thematic teaching, arts will be brought into core subjects as a learning tool. "I'll make concepts more interesting for the kids—make the multi-cultural lessons much more meaningful," said the principal.

In addition, students will experience the arts through specially designed units in specific creative arts areas for the purpose of developing the students' artistic potential.

According to Brooks, arts instruction can help students cultivate positive attitudes toward learning and toward coming to school. The school's motto is "Learning Comes Alive Through the Arts at Butterfield School."
Edgemont Has "The Best Kids In The World"

The very first thing you probably see when entering the Edgemont Elementary School campus is a large permanent sign posted at the top of the building, near the office. Printed on it, in big proud letters, are the words THROUGH THESE DOORS PASS THE BEST KIDS IN THE WORLD. The sign has been in place for three years.

Working for those "best kids" is a very talented teaching staff says Warner. "They have many gifts to bring to Edgemont," she said, "that's why they were selected to come here."

The staff and its principal have put in several hours applying for a restructuring grant that they eventually won. They were one of 210 schools in California to receive grant monies from a group of 1500 schools that applied. With the funds the grant will provide, the staff is looking at options open to them to further provide programs that will meet the specific needs of their children. "In the past, we have been curriculum driven," said Warner, "and we want more now. We want to focus on what our Edgemont students need, and we want to meet those needs."

One of the programs they are looking at is for Spanish speaking students who need not only to know how to speak and write in English, but really comprehend it as well in order to succeed in school.

Fourth and fifth grade classrooms have a computer in each room. "We find our kids can achieve more with a hands-on method of learning (such as computers)," said Warner.

"We're also involving parents in their children's education," said Warner. She says it is making Edgemont, one of the districts oldest schools, a community/school where in-services can be provided for parents. "We want to be partners with our parents," concluded Warner.

Edgemont is a kindergarten-fifth grade school, as are all the elementary schools, and is located in an older multicultural section of Moreno Valley.
Midland Students Find Success Through Respect

Midland Elementary’s principal’s first year at the school has started out as a “very positive experience.” Ralph Edwards is most impressed with how much respect Midland students have for each other and for adults.

“I’m so proud of them,” said Edwards. “This is my best experience in education.”

He has been in the education field for 22 years, serving at the high school level for a total of seven years and the remainder at the elementary level.

Edwards thinks the stability of the neighborhood, not transient, and the support of teachers, staff and parents is responsible for the good rapport the school enjoys. The school will be 30 years old next year.

“We have a good computer program too,” said Edwards. All grades, K-5 and all 810 students participate in computer classes. Some kindergarten students get added help with the computer program and other children were able to use the computers for homework after school, which began this year. “It’s good for the latchkey student. They can stay after school an additional hour,” said Edwards.

Edwards is appreciative of the support he receives from the PTA. They help in the monthly and quarterly recognition programs and fundraisers that allow for trips to places like Sea World and musical programs in Los Angeles.

“I have the utmost respect and praise for this teaching and classified staff,” said Edwards. “They work with the kids and never complain. They want to know how to solve problems—they all chip in and evaluate and resolve problems.” “We’re a traditional school, and I like that,” said Edwards.

Students are tutored by Canyon Springs High School students Cedrick Samaniego, 10th grade, and Norris Williams, a graduating senior. Shondel Brister and Jovanna Roblez are fourth graders who are willing to learn.

“Students in Annie Reed’s 2nd grade class.”

The school celebrates its 30th birthday next year.
Ramona Remains A Neighborhood School

Ramona Elementary School, with 553 students, remains a neighborhood school and Principal Susan Navarro says it feels like "family". Most of the elementary schools, with the exception of Magnet schools, are neighborhood schools in the district. The majority of students are able to walk to and from school. "We are proud of our neighborhood kids," says Navarro. We want to get along."

To help instill that pride in one's school, Navarro and her staff have a "ticket" system to ensure safety on the playground. When a child is seen misbehaving inappropriately, a yellow ticket is issued. Blue tickets are handed out if they do a good deed. Students who have no yellow tickets by the time the quarterly award ceremony rolls around, are treated to special surprises. "One time we gave out yo-yos which the kids really liked," said Navarro.

The school is highly bilingual and Navarro and many on her staff speak Spanish. Five classrooms are made up of children who speak limited English. The children not in bilingual classes are pulled out of regular class time for a half hour each day for English instruction. Grades kindergarten, one, four and five have bilingual classes. Second and third grades do not have bilingual classes at this time. "There's a lot of peer tutoring going on out on the playground too," said Navarro.

Some fifth grades hope to be a part of "Project L.E.A.D." where they will go to classrooms to talk about disabilities that other children experience. It is an awareness program. The multi-cultural, "World of Difference" program is very much a part of Ramona's everyday activities.

Navarro, who has been in the district for a total of eight years and principal for two years, says thematic teaching is going on throughout the school. Integrated Thematic Instruction (ITI) pulls core subjects together in theme teaching. The theme might change on a weekly or monthly basis. Commenting on the advantages of theme teaching Navarro said: "I think the kids are really learning about life. It's more hands-on, and it ties into real life." One month the theme might be oceans and lessons in history, social studies, language/arts and math revolve around ocean subjects.

Through Chapter I funds, children are receiving tutoring benefits before and after school and on Saturdays. "They work on their skills in math and reading," said Navarro, and fifth grades are learning study/organizational skills too.

"Our goal this year is to try and get more parental involvement," concluded Navarro.

The school, which was originally built to house overflow students while new schools were under construction, has had several boundary changes during the last five years.
Sunnymead Elementary, which shares a campus with Sunnymead Middle School and Riverside County Special Education Programs, has almost 700 students enrolled. Its principal of four years, Janet Hasson, says they also have a very talented staff. "We have a 'bilingual class at every grade level (two in kindergarten) which gives us a very strong bilingual program," says Hasson who has been in the district for 22 years.

"Our parent groups have really grown this past year," she said. The groups include PTA, School Site Council and the Bilingual Advisory Council. "More and more parents are taking a leadership role."

"One of the things that is very unique at Sunnymead is our Family Math-a-Mania," said the former math teacher, Hasson. "It's a parent in-service program that brings parents in with the children between 12:45 and 2:00 to learn various strands of math to support classroom instruction." Instruction is given concurrently in Spanish as well as English. Babysitting is provided.

Student recognition programs, are an integral part of connecting the children with school. According to Hasson, Sunnymead has an active, on-going recognition program that serves the needs of various children—to help them have a feeling of belonging.

Hasson also said, the district's Chapter I Mega Skills Program, that has parents training other parents in helping children develop relationship skills, has also been successful.

Other parent education programs held this year include: Mega Skills (on character development) and Children's Literature, Science Fair Project Development, and English as a Second Language for parents.

"Parent in-service programs are the most powerful way we can communicate what's going on in our classrooms. When parents see hands-on programs and interact with staff members, there is a better understanding of what we are all about at school," said Hasson.

Ms. Hatmaker and Mrs. Napier's kindergarten class.

"We have a 'bilingual class at every grade level which gives us a very strong bilingual program."

Principal Janet Hasson

Students in Mrs. Lorna Pecock's third grade class.

Mrs. Taylor's second grade class made animals.
MORENO VALLEY SCHOOL

Sunnymead Middle
Sunnymead Elementary

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S: A MODEL OF DIVERSITY
Located on the western edge of Moreno Valley, Alessandro Middle School encompasses an attendance area of varied socio-economic groups and high ethnic diversity.

The school’s new principal, Bob Taglieri, says “I can’t think of anywhere else in the world I’d rather be, except with my family, than at school.”

According to Taglieri, the goal of the staff at Alessandro is to create a positive community where “the kids know we really care about them”. The principal says they have high expectations, not only academically but socially as well.

The multi-cultural program, “World of Difference”, is an integral part of Alessandro. The Lion’s Club, Lions’ Quest Skills for Adolescents (LQSA) is in place to help promote self-esteem among sixth graders.

The school, during the past five years, has served as a school that took overflow students from several other middle schools in response to the dramatic district-wide increase in enrollment.

This year, the school has stability in that its students are permanent as opposed to a population of students who would start out at Alessandro and then return to their home schools at a later date. The enrollment has gone from over 1,110 last to 748 this year.

Alessandro operates several categorically funded programs. The Chapter I Program serves qualified students through its Computer Lab, providing added assistance in reading, language arts, and mathematics. Its Gifted and Talented Education Program (GATE) is offered as well as bilingual programs.

Students in Mrs. Linda Hied’s, Chapter One lab.
Palm Middle School is new this year and houses 600 sixth and seventh graders. Eighth grade will be phased in next year.

Their temporary building on Dracaea Avenue is not new. Many residents will remember it as the old Alessandro Junior High and most recently as Valley View High School.

Dr. Dave Kuzmich is the principal and has been in the district three years. He and the school's staff, which he says is extremely committed to the middle school students, are looking forward to their new building which is being built and should open in February of 1993.

The school is a Multicultural/Foreign Language Magnet school. The magnet program will be fully instituted next year.

The target languages of Palm are Spanish, and French. Communication is the dominant activity in the classes. Students develop cultural awareness and competency in the four linguistic skills: listening, reading, speaking and writing. Mr. Kuzmich stated "One of the strengths of our school is that teachers work in teams. The students are clustered with their teachers throughout the day and the teachers know where their students are. It is our goal, when we're into the new building, to tie technology into the daily instructional routine of our staff."

Three features scheduled to be included in the new building are: (1) a Foreign Language Lab with an uplink type communication satellite dish, (2) computers and laser technology for classroom instruction and (3) a Synergistics Lab where, students learn physics through updated technology, for instance, how to build a building or a rocket.

"We hope to create the best possible environment to support middle school students on their journey from childhood to young adulthood", says Kuzmich. "We seek to provide a challenging multicultural curriculum in both the core and exploratory subject areas."

All classes will be taught with thematic units built around the five (5) cultural groups of: African American, Hispanic, Asian, Native American, and European.
Sunnymead Offers A Wide Range Of Opportunities

Sunnymead Middle School, as most of the schools in the county have programs in place to assist the 790 students in its care to become more successful at school.

“Our kids have a wide range of opportunities besides the six periods a day,” said principal Teri Atkinson. “We are involved in the county spelling bee, after school sports, History Day projects, Math Field Day, and "Odyssey of the Mind", just to name a few.” “Last year, we won first place in the region for 'Odyssey' and two years ago we won first place at the state level,” said Atkinson. “Odyssey” challenges students to create and think for themselves in a competitive setting.

“There’s something for everyone—an art club. There are so many things to choose from, they should be able to find something,” said the principal.

Atkinson said she is also proud of the after-school activities going on. In addition to sports programs, there is tutoring. “We also hold our quarterly award ceremonies in the evening so our parents can attend. Our PTSA isn’t large, but they support us very well,” added Atkinson.

Multi-cultural celebrations are big this year at Sunnymead. “We want to celebrate our cultural differences. We want our kids to feel good about themselves and get a sense of belonging,” said Atkinson. The staff even gets involved by attempting to learn Spanish “so we can create a bilingual atmosphere here”. The principal said the middle school has more exploratory classes now to enable students to learn a little about many subjects so, hopefully, by the time they go to high school, they will know what they would like to pursue.

“Ultimately, we want to create a climate that allows learning to happen.” continued Atkinson, “what we are experiencing this year is peaceful. We are busy educating kids rather than concentrating on discipline.”

“That’s our focus—not outside influences.

“The middle school shares a campus with Sunnymead Elementary in the central part of the city.
MV Meets The Needs Of It's Multi-Ethnic Population

Jerilyn King-Brown has been principal at Moreno Valley High School for three years and when talking about the oldest high school in the school district she says, “We are the school that started it all.”

With a current student enrollment of approximately 2300, the principal said the school is focusing on meeting the needs of its multi-ethnic population. According to the principal, the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) population is growing at MVHS.

The four-year high school offers college preparatory, general education and vocational education courses. Located in the heart of Moreno Valley, the 40-acre campus, is made up of graduating middle school students from Alessandro, Sunnymead, and Badger Springs schools.

Parent and community involvement is encouraged at MVHS. A wide variety of active groups include Parent-Teacher-Student Association (PTSA), School Site Council, Bilingual Advisory Committee, Black Student Union, Parent Support Group and several booster clubs. The students are linked with the California State University system through California Student Opportunity Access Program (CAL-SOAP), and the University of California, Riverside through the Partners Program.

Several projects are under way at the high school, including the Christopher Columbus Consortium which is integrating computer technology with the History/Social Science Department. Cal State San Bernardino and the high school are in a partnership program, using Apple computers, starting last year. “There are about 200 students in this program,” said King-Brown. “There aren’t any official results in yet,” said the principal, “but I can tell it’s working because there’s excellent attendance in classes.” Again, this is a hands-on program which seems to go over well with students.

Through a restructuring grant, a new pilot program called The Villa Model Program was begun this year. “Three hundred freshmen and sophomores, randomly selected, are involved,” said the principal. Social studies, English, math and foreign language is focused on in an environment where teachers are working more closely together and where there is better communication with parents. Eight teachers are involved, and “they all volunteered”, said the principal. They know their students and students are getting much more attention and parents are called at the first sign of any kind of problem.

“There’s consistency throughout the curriculum offered and students know exactly what is expected of them,” said King-Brown.

The Performing Arts Department now includes dance along with band, choir and drama.

Moreno Valley High School has numerous projects, programs and clubs that enjoy individual successes. But, perhaps the most well known is the high school’s long-successful ROTC program that has consistently brought fame to Moreno Valley. “For three years in a row, the ROTC has won first place nation ally in competition,” said King-Brown in an almost reverent tone of voice. They recently gave a performance at the White House in unarmed competition, drill team, weapons drill team, and Color Guard.

As the school year comes to a close, students look at pictures from the past year.
March Offers Several Alternative Programs

ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION

March Mountain High School
SAPID
Independent Study Program
Adult Education

Sincerely believing that all students deserve the opportunity to pursue meaningful educational goals, the Moreno Valley Unified School District is providing a variety of programs through its Alternative Education Program.

The district recognizes that some students are unable to succeed in a comprehensive program for a number of reasons. For credit-deficient students, choosing an alternative program would be easier if credit earning could be individualized and accelerated. Enrollment in any alternative program is strictly voluntary and requires a request for placement from both the parent and the student. Under one umbrella and directed by Principal Jon Gaffney, the programs available are:

MARCH MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL

March is sometimes thought of as a school, especially by those who are one or two generations removed, that is made up of students who could not make it at a comprehensive high school. That is not a true picture today. The reasons for attending March Mountain are nearly as varied as there are students in the program.

"What works here, I think," says Gaffney "is we're a small school and some students respond to that."

INDEPENDENT STUDY PROGRAM (ISP) presently serves 360 students. "To be in Independent Study," says Gaffney, "the student should have average or above average skills." They also should have parental supervision and support to be successful. Again, students choose this alternative program for a variety of reasons. Students in this program attend school for only one hour per week and complete their assigned work at home.

ADULT EDUCATION

AE is available for students 18 years of age or older. Classes are offered during the day and night for flexible scheduling. There are over 900 students in this program and the typical student needs either academic remediation, completion of high school credit or needs help in the area of English language development.

College prep classes are not available through March Mountain. For instance, foreign languages are not included in the curriculum. But, Gaffney says, the students are encouraged to pursue higher education, and many do by first attending junior colleges, and then four-year schools. "I can say we graduate more students in our program than any other alternative education program in our area—that I am aware of," said Gaffney.

It is difficult to get into numbers, but Gaffney said they are attempting to do that now. "We have come a long way," beams Gaffney. "We are a school of choice." Gaffney has been the "umbrella" principal for three years and in the district for 18 years.

The ceremony is serious. "The students speakers share their other experiences. They express their thanks and appreciation of their school," "It's very moving," added Gaffney.

SCHOOL AGE PARENTING AND INFANT DEVELOPMENT (SAPID) is a state funded program that provides day care for teen-age parents while they attend classes in district schools. They receive classes in parenting skills and child development along with their other studies.

"What works here, I think," says Gaffney "is we're a small school and some students respond to that." March Mountain's enrollment is 500 at present and classes are held in double sessions. Class sizes are limited to 22 students, creating an individualized learning environment.

Questionnaires were sent out to graduates of March Mountain last year. "To the question 'what did you like most about March Mountain?'" said Gaffney, "was the answer, 'teachers cared.'" Gaffney says they take the time to listen to the teenagers and work with them one on one. The smaller environment affords them this luxury.

Gaffney says he and his staff are serious about their goal to "get the kids to feel good about themselves". "I think we have the best graduation ceremonies around", said the principal. "The students speakers share very personal experiences. The ceremony is serious. They express their thanks and are appreciative of their school." "It's very moving," added Gaffney.

Eudora Mitchell, facilitator SAPID teaches computer skills to Cassandra Dovine.

The ESL class, Wanda Ortiz, Jose Castro and Michael Smith, teacher.

Amy Gutierrez and son Anthony with another baby she is caring for, Danone Williams.
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