# Mother kills patron who complains of her smoking

SAN PABLO, Calif. (AP) - A mother of four who was ordered to stub out her cigarette after lighting up in a no-smoking section returned with a 12-gauge shotgun and killed one of the restaurant patrons who complained, police said.

In a state that leads the nation in restricting smoking in public areas, the slaying in this San Francisco suburb drew conflicting opinions from pro- and anti-smoking

"While no one can condone that violence, a possible explanation of it is the kind of nasty, state-sponsored ads they bombard Californians with that ridicule smokers," said Thomas Lauria of the Tobacco Institute in Washington.

Americans for Nonsmokers' Rights termed the killing a bizarre act of violence that cannot be interpreted as a sign of smokers' frustretion.

"The tobacco industry wants to creete that perception, but that's not at all what's happening," said spokesman Kevin Goebel. "The vast majority of smokers agree that we need to prohibit smoking in public places."

Police detectives were not available for comment Wednesday, a secretary said.

But according to previous police state-

ments, the shooting early Saturday morning was prompted by an argument over

smoking in a Denny's restaurant.

Arrested for investigation of murder was Daphnye Luster, 22, of neighboring Rich-

mond. She was held without bail.

The 20-year-old victim, Rachell Rashan
Houston, was shot in the head as she drove away from the restaurant.

According to reports, the altercation began when Luster lit a cigarette in a non-smoking section. Houston and four other women at another table complained to the manager, who asked Luster to put out the

Luster complied but then allegedly got into an argument with some of the women, left the restaurant and returned with the

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In January, a man was charged with murder after he allegedly stabbed a Secramento restaurant employee who demanded that he put out a cigarette.

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## Teen pregnancy rate up again, officials say

ATLANTA (AP) — The rate of American teen-agers having babies rose for the fifth year in a row, federal health officials said Thursday.

For every 1,000 women aged 15 to 19 in 1991; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported 62.1 births, up from 59.9 births

The CDC has no way to calculate the nation's overall teen pregnancy rate - which includes births and abortions - because 10 states keep no figures on abortions

But tallies released Thursday showed Georgia had the highest pregnancy rate among the states that do report - 110.6 pregnancies per 1,000 teen-agers in 1990, the latest state-by-state data available.

North Dakota had the lowest rate, 56.4 pregnancies per 1,000 teens. The birth rate to teen-agers was highest in Mississippi, with 81 births per 1,000 teens, and second in Arkansas, with 80.1.

The CDC said the incidence of teen pregnancy depends on accessibility to family planning services and other factors that vary from state to state. It urged state officials to attack the problem.

'We'd like every pregnancy to be a wanted pregnancy," said epidemiologist Alison Spitz. "We're very concerned since teen pregnancy is likely to result in children who are low birthweight, slower to develop and have higher infant mortality."

From 1980 to 1990, the rate of teen pregnancy declined more than 10 percent in seven states and the rate of teen abortions dropped more than 20 percent in 15 states.

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Lane Fellowship will host "The Hap-pening" Saturday, Oct. 2 at 6 p.m. at its building, on the corner of 25th Avenue and Harris Street. All students are invited for a free dinner and fun. For more information, call 345-5331.

Losbian, Gay and Biserual Alliance vill host a lesbian, gay and bisexual aculty and staff brown bag lunch with the Dean of Students today from noon o 1 p.m. in the EMU international oungs. For more information, call

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346-1142.

New Zees Gallery will host a reception for artists Irene Henjum and
Richard E. Di Napoli tonight from 5:30
to 9 at the gallery, which is located at
411 High St. The gallery will showcase
their art until Oct. 29. Gallery hours are
noon to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.
For more information, call 484-5045.

The School of Music will host the
1993 N.W. Marimba Festival this weekend, with a concert tonight from 9 to
midnight at the Cate Auditorium. A
second concert will occur Saturday

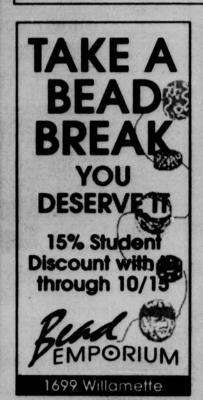
night from 8 to midnight at the EMU Ballroom. Workshops are scheduled for tonight from 6 to 8:30 and for Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more informa-tion, call 747-5870.

Critical Mass, a festive bicycle ride through Eugene, will occur today at 5:30 p.m. and will start from the corner of 8th Avenue and Oak Street, across from the Saturday Market site.

The Ecology Colloquium will present a talk by Dr. Egbert Leigh titled "The Ecology of Barro Colorado Island" today from 3 to 4 p.m. in Room 110 Willamette.

Deadline for submitting Et Als to the Emerald front desk. Suite 300 EMU, is noon the day before publication. The news editor does not have a time machine. Et Als run the day of the event unless the event takes place before noon.

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