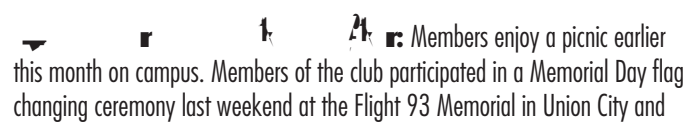


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Members enjoy a picnic earlier this month on campus. Members of the club participated in a Memorial Day flag changing ceremony last weekend at the Flight 93 Memorial in Union City and

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The three defendants sat stunned, red-eyed and puffy faced, wiping tears from their eyes as Court Clerk Debbie Sheets read the guilty verdicts.

According to Juror No. One, (whose name was not disclosed) a guilty verdict was the only decision that they could have come to.

"I mean, three guys, three guns, the getaway car—there was no oth-

said Rivers.

The audience was made up of the defendant's families, getting one last opportunity to see their loved ones.

The 22-year-old Mesaramos' sister, brother and mother were visibly upset and crying as he learned that he may spend the rest of his life in a California state penitentiary.

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er possible decision we could have made," said juror No. one. "And all three guns had been fired."

Frank Rivers, juror No. 11, also expressed the jury's sense that the overwhelming gang connections and the evidence suggested all three defendants were heavily into the Norteño street gangs of Hayward.

"Even without all the gang evidence, I think we would have had a guilty verdict. It did not help,"

Mesaramos also had another form of support in his corner in 19-year-old Sandra Del Rio, who met Mesaramos on the bus ride to-and-from Santa Rita Prison, while fighting her own charges of assault with a deadly weapon.

"We met about a month ago and he was really supportive about my case, and we had a connection," said Del Rio.

Del Rio said the charges against her were dismissed, but

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