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Speaker 1

You guys have fun and enjoy yourselves tonight.

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Speaker 2

All. Oh la la la. Participant okay. Tengan una muy feliz. Okay, then lo mejor ustedes esta noche siempre. Ethan. Tostadas Como toda la Juventus. Preference is see adelante. Yes.

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Speaker 3

hello. Hello, Claire. As you're one and only. I just want to tell you good luck and good luck to the other contestants. And I love you. Okay. Bye bye. And.

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Speaker 1

I mean, I just want to wish you luck and let you know how very much we love you. we don't need a pageant to tell us how very special you are and how beautiful we are. And we love you very much today, forever and always. And good luck tonight.

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Speaker 4

Yes. Good luck. I really love you. And I'm very, very proud of you. And.

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Speaker 2

We're not just soy Armando Delgado, soy pappardelle, Rosalba Delgado. Because when you look at. Well, let's see, it had no tengo palabras. Sacramento para Sierra it Vietnam. We went to no para maker that kamikaze una know no you have special para me it. Okay. Let's let's go look for this in the way and let's just say Vietnam mucho x parameter Cassandra baseline.

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Speaker 1

Just and we went out of this I call this estamos aqui a companion under me. I said where the gavel. This better. Good thing I'm 30. Esta. Not yet I'm participant 11. So muchas felicidad this crisis.

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Speaker 1

Yeah I'm actually managing attorney.

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Speaker 3

Proud. Complicated.

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Speaker 1

Oh, I think this defensive regulator updated.

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Speaker 4

Ammerman. We're going to begin our pageant for this evening. My name is Fernando Sweat, and I'll be serving as your master of ceremonies. I'd like to, have all of you welcome our contestants. And we'll lead off with David Rodriguez, who is the San Jose GI forum chairman. He will be escorting Miss Vanessa Ramirez, last year's queen for Miss San Jose, Miss California and Miss National GI forum.

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Speaker 4

So let's give them a big hand. David Rodriguez escorting Vanessa Ramirez.

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Speaker 4

Ready?

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Speaker 4

You've never looked so good, David.

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Speaker 4

Vanessa. With, Cal Poly in or as an engineer? she, trained in the Society of Women Engineers and the Society of Hispanic Engineers. She had a whirlwind year. She's been to Washington, DC, and she's been to, the inaugural, Hispanic Tourism Presidential Inaugural Gala ball. She's met with, Jimmy Smits. He said Morales, Michael De Lorenzo Iglesias, Edward James Olmos and David Rodriguez.

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Speaker 4

When with idols. And, thank you for coming to our 37th annual Queen Coronation Ball for the San Jose Chief form. And I welcome all. And I hope you have a lot of fun and I hope this pageant goes beautiful. Thank you very much.

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Speaker 4

That's about as brief as you can get.

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Speaker 4

David Rodriguez is the, chairman of the San Jose GI forum that sponsors the Rio Sun celebration that we have every year, which is the largest in Northern California. last year we attract over 500,000 people to

our event. And also the 16th of September, the Fiestas Patriots. And by the way, that's one of the reasons why we have this pageant is to select young, promising young women who come to participate this, event.

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Speaker 4

just to give you an example of, how others have fared, we have with us, Carmela Castellano, who was the San Jose chapter, state and national queen for the American GI forum, 1983 1984. Carmela went on to Cal Berkeley to get her master's degree and our bachelor's degree in political science. And then she went to Yale Law School, where she got her law degree.

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Speaker 4

And now she's the managing attorney of public advocates in San Francisco, which is going to be celebrating its 25th anniversary on May 1st. She is, chair of the Cultural and Linguistic Standards Task Force for the state of California. I don't know how many of you get, Hispanic business, a magazine that, I read religiously. She was named as among the 100 most influential Hispanics in the United States.

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Speaker 4

So, Carmela Castellano, we want to welcome you and your dad, who's, been so assiduous in helping us with the camera work all these years. But let's give a welcome and thank you. And congratulations to Carmela on things. get better as you get out of here. So, we want to encourage the rest of you, the young ladies that we have and the rest of you with young men and women, our students, to encourage them to succeed in school.

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Speaker 4

Because the rewards are many. So let's start the event. And they're being escorted. Now, all of the candidates will be escorted by our, Marine Corps. And we're going to be serenaded by Miss Pamela Page or violinist over here on this big, band box. She's from University of Illinois. she's got a master's in music education, and she has conducted the San Jose Symphony and teaches music all over, the Santa Clara Valley.

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Speaker 4

So Pamela Page, thank you very much for being with us tonight and helping us in any.

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Other.

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Thank you to the yesterday.

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Speaker 4

Evening to.

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Speaker 4

Doctor, I, Carrasco, born in Colorado but raised in Santa Clara. He says he's a professor at San Jose State University, in which he teaches social science and literature. He's only been there for 27 years. He says his hobby is growing our peppers, tomatoes and cilantro, for he says, I think somebody ought to help them with all of these ingredients so he can put them into something more productive.

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Speaker 4

But don't you think Doctor Jose, he's, working with, Pico, which is a, Pacific Institute for community organizations, and he teaches, community organizations. And he trains leaders and travels all over the western United States. Also with us is, Armando Romo. Armando Romo here in the center is, a native of Mexicali, Baja California. he's been here in San Jose almost 20 years, since 1979, and he now owns two beauty salons.

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Speaker 4

Clinics. There were. Yes. Armando Romo. Thank you, Armando, for being with us. He's been a very active supporter of the GI forum. And our parades. He won has won three years in a row with the best float in the parade. So Armando Romo, thank you very much. VM Bonito. Another one of our judges is Angela Lieberman. Angela is the middle of the desk over here.

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Speaker 4

Angela I won't let you stand. She's the product manager for Hispanic markets. Admirable. Mundo, which is the new Spanish market magazine for the Mercury News. She's on the board of Mike Lamb. She's on the steering committee for the Land Magen. And she has served on the Hispanic Charity ball. And the member of the Chamber of Commerce is very active in our community.

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Speaker 4

Angela Lieberman is also with us, is a former Miss Hayward. Frances Palacios from Ktvb. When have you seen on channel 14? she's on this table here. Please stand. Frances, she works with Horizons and Limited in San Francisco in the center for Training and Careers. She's on the board of the National Academy of Television and Science. She's, one of the most active, representatives of channel 14.

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Speaker 4

And we want to tell you how much we appreciate your work here in this area. Richard Calderon. Lieutenant, down here in front of him. In front of him. He's with the San Jose Police Department. He

works in the foothill area of the city, and he works with the uniformed blue patrol divisions. He likes to bicycle, does body conditioning because his wife tells him he's getting out of shape.

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Speaker 4

Shasta Poniendo Viejo. Last year he was the chairman of the Hispanic Charity ball. It was a wonderful success and I hope that all of you will have an opportunity to participate in that event this year as well. He's the chair of the legislative committee for the Latino Peace Officers Association and serves on the San Jose Conservation Corps board of directors.

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Speaker 4

He's also fluent in Vietnamese, and his wife, Lam, is the one that makes him, keep his fluency up. Thank you. Richard and Lieutenant Calderon.

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Speaker 4

Finally, we have Dante, veteran, familiar to all of us. Contrary to the contents in our program, he's with, Telemundo channel 48. He's been there for ten years, and channel 48 is a native of Chile. He's, one, he's been nominated twice for an Emmy for best newscaster. And certainly as a champion in the winter with us.

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Speaker 4

Dante, which I myself was the co nosotros. Those ladies and gentlemen, are our volunteer judges for tonight.

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So give them a round of applause.

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And now we'll.

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Speaker 4

Have the, Queen bouquet presentation by David Rodriguez.

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Speaker 4

Do you want to, Let's say you've oriented. You've already given to the flowers. You jumped the gun. Okay. All right, then we'll go next to, Monica Renee Gomez. Miss National, she was general, National GI from 1980. She graduated from Notre Dame High School, went on to San Jose State, majored in broadcast journalism. She worked for the National Hispanic University for a while and channel 11.

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Speaker 4

But, the Mexican Heritage Corporation saw a golden opportunity and now has employed her as a community outreach coordinator. So Monica Renee Gomez will be, introducing all of our contestants. Thank you. Okay.

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Speaker 1

Thank you. Fernando, I'm leaving. As much as I thought I was, it gives me great pleasure. And it's also a great honor to be a part of this once again. And I think this year is even more special because it's the last year we're going to have it here in this building, because the San Jose chapter of the Dei forum will have their new location.

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Speaker 1

So let's give them a round of applause.

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Speaker 1

That's something to look forward to that I believe it has its own bar. It has, its own dance floor. So we look forward to having all of you there in the future. Let's get started with the program then. our first contestant this evening, Miss Rosalba Delgado.

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so 17 years old, and is. She is a senior at Pioneer High School.

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Speaker 1

Rizal was being escorted by Lance Corporal Manuel Rodriguez.

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Speaker 1

Miss Diana.

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Juanita Romero.

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Diana is 18 years old and she is a.

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Speaker 1

Senior at Archbishop mitty High School. Diana is being escorted this evening by Corporal Samuel Torres.

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Miss. And Adina Nelly Ayala Unendingly. and Adina is 20 years.

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Speaker 1

Old, and she's a student at Evergreen Valley College. She's being escorted this evening by Sergeant Thomas Gomez, junior.

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Speaker 1

miss Nadia, Marissa Reyes.

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Nadia, 17 years.

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Speaker 1

Old, and she's a student at Archbishop mitty High School. Nadia is being escorted by Corporal Luis Bessie Nice.

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Speaker 1

Miss Claire Bernardino Mendoza, in,

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Speaker 1

Clearance being escorted this evening by Corporal Javier Gonzalez. She is 17 years old and a student at Saint Francis High School.

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Speaker 1

And Miss Sabrina.

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Hernandez,

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Sabrina is 17 years.

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Speaker 1

Old, and she's a senior at Andrew Hill High School. She's been escorted this evening by master Sergeant.

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Said here by us,

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Speaker 1

ladies and gentlemen, these are.

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1997 Queen contestants.

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At this time, I'd also.

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Speaker 1

Like to acknowledge our United States Marine Corps. Every year, they voluntarily donate their time to work with us. And they have most of them have been doing it since 1987, and they're stationed here in San Jacinto. So thank you to the United States Marine Corps.

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Speaker 1

Navy. Power.

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Speaker 1

Miss Sabrina. Nelly. Hernandez.

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Sabrina is the daughter of.

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Speaker 1

Rahul and Susan Hernandez. She is 17 years old, and as a senior at Andrew Hill High School, Sabrina plans to attend Santa Clara University in the fall and earn her degree in English and psychology, and later

earned a teaching credential. She is proud of receiving a full scholarship from East Side Future Teachers Project to attend Santa Clara. Sabrina has been a spokesperson for the printed program and has even interviewed been interviewed by the television and radio media.

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Speaker 1

She has danced folklorico dancing for ten years for the past two years, Sabrina won first place in the Cesar Chavez Writing Contest. Her work has even been published in The Mercury News in the United States Congressional Records. She has been student of the year and this year was Andrew Hill, your homecoming queen? While Sabrina is not receiving honors in school, she volunteers her time at the YMCA.

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Speaker 1

She also enjoys reading, writing poems and composing music. She feels by doing this helps her develop personal thought and feeling. As she says, Chavez believed in nonviolence and justice. Sabrina, too, believes in planning America with the seeds of justice by becoming a school teacher. Miss Sabrina Nelly Hernandez.

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Speaker 1

Bienvenidos. Welcome distinguished guests, parents, and your Majesty, Vanessa Ramirez. We come here today in support and guidance so that our leaders of tomorrow can start today, can start climbing those steps towards success, and can start conquering that turbulent road that leads us to our future. The time is now, and the only way we can begin is by grasping the key that unlocks the door to success.

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Speaker 1

Education. As we approach a new era of our lifetime, preparation for the year 2000 has been upon us. Higher standards, especially in education. No longer can we be satisfied with just being average or equal in society. We need to pull up our roots that are deeply planted in the soils of society. Stereotype. Yes, Raza, we can do it.

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Speaker 1

We just need to work and we need to work hard. But yet we cannot do it alone. 1997 the dropout rate of minorities students is substantially high, and the number of Latinos applying for college is very few. And we need to ask ourselves, when should education begin? And is it only be long in the classroom? Of course not.

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Speaker 1

Learning should start from day one at home media, I was raised with strong family values from both my father and my mother. They taught me that the best way to succeed through life is through education. I had to work hard for what I wanted, and most of all, I had to go to school each day so that I could absorb the power of education.

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Speaker 1

And because of the strong support and inspiring words, I have been able to experience education not only in school, but by being part in special clubs and programs that inspire us to expand and explore ourselves and our minds. One program in particular is Print Them went provides provided students with a bridge that enables them to cross from high school directly to a UC or a four year private college.

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Speaker 1

It is programs like this that will help our Latino community and will help lead us to rise. Plant inspired me to help my community and they too tell me that the best way to succeed in life is through education. That is why I plan to become an English teacher, so that one day I will be able to return back to my community and teach for the program that helped me cross a bridge to success plant that.

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Speaker 1

Many people do not understand how important education is. If you live your life without learning, at least one new thing today, you are not living your life to its fullest. Today I stand up here with many thanks to my parents, to my teachers, and most of all, La Raza for shaping me into the person that I am. Someone who is Latina and proud of who she is.

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Speaker 1

And because of your strong support and generosity, I have been able to become a part of. Let us assume the chain that today we call unity, and I strongly feel that if everyone La Raza is able to experience that strong and support as I have, we will be able to stand as una familia and not only understand, but experience.

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Speaker 1

Experience that asked us true meaning, she said. Whether it can be done. Thank you and.

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Speaker 1

Thank you. Sabrina. Our next contestant this evening, Miss Claire Bernardino Mendoza.

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Speaker 1

Claire Bernardino Mendoza is the daughter of the opinion that I Will Mendoza. She is 17 years old, and as a senior at Saint Francis High School, Claire will be attending Santa Clara University in the fall, where she will study Spanish and minor in theater and dance. She also plans.

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To earn her teaching credential to teach Spanish and dance classes at a local high school. Claire is especially proud.

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Speaker 1

To have organized several Mexican celebrations at her school, including a special mass.

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For love eating the Guadalupe in both Spanish and English. Her involvement doesn't end there. She has also.

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Speaker 1

Participated in eight musicals and choreographed the last two 42nd Street and Guys and Dolls. Claire has served as director for the play Sleeping Beauty, and held performances for Bay area children at that school. She has been a member of the Service Club, Students Against Drunk Driving and the International Club, but more importantly has been an active member of her own community by volunteering for various organizations since the age of 14.

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Speaker 1

In her spare time, Claire keeps busy dancing, ballet, tap, and jazz. She has even traveled as far as Scotland and Ireland. Claire says by dancing and competing in several competitions, she has earned discipline and dedication. Claire considers her father a role model for sacrificing his life for a better one for his children. By following her father's positive examples, Claire says she has a stronger faith and dedication to the Catholic Church.

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Miss Claire Bernardino Mendoza and.

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Speaker 1

Buenas noches. Bienvenidos. Senoras you senoras. Quizas mis some marvelous companeros. It's on my head. Start. Vanessa Ramirez. Today I take great pride in being among six beautiful young ladies.

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Speaker 6

Who were chosen because of our.

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Speaker 1

Accomplishments and future endeavors through hard work, discipline, the support of our families, and most importantly, through God, our Most Holy Father, we have succeeded and becoming strong leaders for our peers and our communities. In my own life, my religion and my faith have been the core of my achievements and my future educational and developmental goals. In the past three years, I have attended three retreats with my high school, Saint Francis, and small group discussions.

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Speaker 1

I noticed that very few teenagers make God an important part of their lives. When asked how often we attend church, some of my peers said they don't have time. In most cases, they attend only on special holidays, while others invest no time in their spirituality. My generation is losing faith in God, which is necessary to build a strong, supportive community.

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Speaker 1

Unfortunately, there is a lack of young men who want to become priests, as well as women.

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Speaker 6

Who want to become sisters and other holy ministers in various religions.

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Speaker 1

Without these religious leaders who will guide our faith, my peers and I desperately need religious role models to help us become.

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Speaker 6

Better decision makers.

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Speaker 1

Without strong role models, youth are often involved in gang violence, teenage pregnancies, substance abuse, and suicides. For example, between 1983 and 1993, the national homicide

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Speaker 6

Rate had increased over 165%. Murder is the second leading cause of death for 14 to 17 year olds in our country.

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Speaker 1

Every year, 1 in 9 teenage girls become pregnant. Only half of these young women give birth and the majority do not marry. Also, teenagers have the highest rates of sexually transmitted diseases, with 1 in 4 contracting the STD by the age of 21. On February 18th, 1997.

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Speaker 6

I lost a 16 year old friend to teenage suicide.

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Speaker 1

These are only a few reasons of why.

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Speaker 6

We need religious role models. Why is it that some teenagers face situations that I have just mentioned and others do not? Faith in God and trust in.

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Speaker 1

Themselves is why some teenagers succeed and others just give up. Fortunately, some of us do succeed in.

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Speaker 6

Becoming influential people in the world and in becoming those needed religious role.

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Speaker 1

Models. We Spec's young ladies have succeeded in staying away from drugs and alcohol. We have succeeded in not.

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Speaker 6

Becoming pregnant teenagers.

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Speaker 1

We have succeeded in facing life as it is and not becoming victims of suicides or homicides. We have succeeded because we will be.

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Speaker 6

College graduates in four years.

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Speaker 1

Total seven will skill exit en la vida no facile battle or esta noche aqui frente ousted as the last nosotros almost una positiva. They can see us possible. Primero Dios me familia y la comunidad man necesario para lograr you got us certain. La persona con éxito en la vida the spoils I can't get out the way. The only way to see that you'll go have all that aqui a la ciudad de San Jose, California.

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Speaker 1

Entonces quiero take a look at that. En la la la lexical. Gracias. I started an organization the American GI forum for this opportunity that. Gracias. Adios. I mean familia e todos Los feliz when as not just.

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Unknown

Thank you Claire. Miss Nadia, Marissa Reyes.

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Nadia is the daughter of Richard and Maria Reyes.

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Speaker 1

She is 17 years old and is a senior at Archbishop Mary High School. Nadia plans to attend either Regis University or the Univ agree she plans to transfer to Stanford for law school. Nadia wants to be a family lawyer and eventually become a judge. She feels earning a degree is not only to make her parents.

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Speaker 6

Proud, but fourth wishes. What is a legacy? My legacy is something I have learned from my grandparents and parents. It is what I know. It is who I am. It is what makes me different and unique from the rest of the world. A legacy is a moral and value code which which have been given to all of us from our ancestors.

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Speaker 6

This code was developed through their personal experience.

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Speaker 1

And now.

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Speaker 6

Those experiences have been passed down to me, and I will use them the rest of my life. My grandparents were from Zacatecas, Chihuahua and Harley School, Mexico. They migrated to Texas, Arizona and eventually California. They were poor migrant farm workers who followed the harvesting of the crops throughout many cities in the state. Their children would have many experiences, some good but most very difficult.

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Speaker 6

They would experience living in tents, playing in the fields, and sometimes not having enough to eat. Even though my grandparents were able to improve their life significantly, they never centered their life or their joy around material things, but simply in their children. The ability to persist and to continue struggling was because of their belief in God and His infinite power.

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Speaker 6

My grandmother always said no. I even keep moving. She believed that despite hard times, good would happen. And yes, it does sound very simple, but it is true. And though they did not have very much money, it never diminished their hopes of having a better life for their children. After many years ago and a tremendous amount of courage, they were able to provide this hope, this better life for their children.

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Speaker 6

And now my parents have continued this tradition and providing me a better life. So what about the youth of today? Who is struggling for them? I believe that the youth of today is headed into troubled times. Kids today can't worry about themselves. Instead, they have to worry about drugs, violent gangs and other peer pressures. That is not what we want the children of today to worry about.

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Speaker 6

That is why it is our responsibility as a caring community to provide alternatives for today's adolescents. That is why this pageant is the beginning. It provides young Mexican Americans an opportunity to showcase their talents and achievements. It recognizes that adolescents are important and more significantly, shows that adults care about today's young people. To change these problems of today, we must be like our grandmothers.

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Speaker 6

We must believe with all of our hearts the horrors of today can be overcome. Tomorrow. Maybe not completely, but to a large degree. But it is up to all of us, the young and the not so young. It will take a lot of hard work and sacrifice. Parents need to take responsibility for their children, and children need to learn to take responsibility for themselves.

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Speaker 6

The community can help by providing positive role models, giving constant support and instilling the importance of values in today's adolescents. I believe the values of hard work, education.

00:30:39:05 - 00:30:41:06

Speaker 1

Religion, family.

00:30:41:08 - 00:31:12:09

Speaker 6

And the persistence for a better life will win out for all adolescents. My goal is to teach these values to others in a kind and gentle manner. As my parents have taught me, I want to help others grow into the

next generation and beyond so that they become positive and productive adults. If I can do this, I will leave a legacy that would make my parents and grandparents very proud.

00:31:12:11 - 00:31:40:28

Speaker 6

I would like to thank my parents, my family, and my friends for making me the person that I am, them all. I'd like to thank everyone who made this night possible. This is truly been an incredible experience, not only for myself, but for the other girls and finally me. To God be with all of you. Gracias. And when as much as I.

00:31:41:00 - 00:31:42:08

Unknown

Thank you. Nadia.

00:31:42:11 - 00:31:44:23

Speaker 1

Our next contestant this evening, Miss Adina.

00:31:44:23 - 00:31:48:21

Unknown

Nelly Ayala.

00:31:48:23 - 00:31:52:19

Unknown

And Adina is the daughter of Maria, and she is 20 years.

00:31:52:19 - 00:32:13:02

Speaker 1

Old and is a student at Evergreen Valley College. And Adina plans to transfer to UCLA, where she will receive her Bachelor of Arts in Advertising and Communications. Her goal is to work in radio as a show

producer, organizing benefit concerts for children's organizations and the homeless. After working at Kcrw for some time, gave her the will to work in the music and radio business.

00:32:13:07 - 00:32:16:26

Speaker 1

She feels it is important to give the less fortunate opportunities and to help them live.

00:32:16:26 - 00:32:23:02

Unknown

In better conditions. And Adina says music is the pleasant way of communicating without violence, and Athena is most proud of.

00:32:23:02 - 00:32:24:05

Speaker 1

Being the first in her family.

00:32:24:05 - 00:32:29:29

Unknown

To graduate from high school. Now, attending college for her is possibly the first to earn a college degree.

00:32:30:01 - 00:32:48:16

Speaker 1

In 1994, she was crowned Cinco de Mayo Princess for Silver Creek High School. She felt her involvement with that pageant was more than judging on physical character, but an opportunity to represent oneself positively, showcasing one's education and to the community. And Adina has many plans, but most of all, she plans to work at giving people hope.

00:32:48:16 - 00:32:57:20

Unknown

For a better day. Miss and Adina Nelly Ayala.

00:32:57:22 - 00:32:59:28

Unknown

Good evening parents, friends.

00:33:00:04 - 00:33:31:07

Speaker 1

Judges, and your Majesty. As a Hispanic female growing in a world full of chaos and confusion, one thing I have grown to appreciate my life are my parents. For they have taught me the importance of education, the importance of a family, and the importance of our culture. So, beloved mother and father, I did this speech and recognition of all your hard work and determination into making my life a success, rather than a statistic.

00:33:31:09 - 00:33:54:15

Speaker 1

Mom and dad, you have healed my cuts and bruises as a child to healing my soul from a broken heart. Now that I'm an adult, you have praised me in my academic excellence and scolded me whenever I didn't achieve my scholastic aptitude. Not because you're being harsh and unreasonable parents. You just never wanted me to sell myself short or settle for less than what I'm really worth.

00:33:54:18 - 00:34:15:16

Speaker 1

You were always proud of whatever I achieved in my life, and due to that, I have never felt like a failure and more of a high achiever. You have taught me the importance of a family, how I should never disregard them, for they are the ones who are going to love me and care for me unconditionally, no matter what path I choose in my life.

00:34:15:18 - 00:34:41:02

Speaker 1

You also made me appreciate life and what it has to offer. You made me realize life is too precious to waste. How we should thank God for what we have while, and then resenting him for what we don't. Mother and father, in addition, you have taught me to never forget where I came from by teaching me our roots, our traditions and our cultures, our Mexican heritage that has lived for so many generations.

00:34:41:05 - 00:35:02:05

Speaker 1

I know I'll instill those morals and values upon my children, for not only were you parents, you were my teachers of life as well. For you, I have learned how to dream, I've learned how to live, and most of all, I've learned how to never give up. Having a family is more than just a parent scolding a child for his or her wrongdoings.

00:35:02:08 - 00:35:28:24

Speaker 1

It is love. Understand commitment, honesty, communication, loyalty and trust. Without those, a family grows apart rather than growing together. I owe a lot to my parents, not only for disciplining me, just for being very involved with my life. I would like every parent in here to know the important role you have in your child's life. They are the gift of love God gave you.

00:35:28:26 - 00:36:02:07

Speaker 1

They are the I see the world you haven't seen. They are the voice that speaks your words of wisdom when you're not around. They are the lives that live and carry on with them. Your traditions, your values and your culture. They are your children. My my papa. I want you la sagrada eschatology issue for me yet want me Corazon todo la mandato Ella Michigan dando Ella Bradesco Adios pour of me that they said Suica.

00:36:02:10 - 00:36:20:07

Speaker 1

Yes, Ellis. Voy a salida de la vida e por eso sagrada Corazon. Get your. Good night.

00:36:20:09 - 00:36:22:00

Unknown

Thank you Nelly.

00:36:22:02 - 00:36:27:12

Speaker 1

Miss Diana, Juanita romero.

00:36:27:15 - 00:36:43:00

Unknown

Diana is the daughter of George and then Romero. She is 18 years old and is a senior at Archbishop mitty High School. Diana plans to attend a state university in the fall and earn a bachelor's degree in psychology, later transferring to graduate school, earning a master's degree.

00:36:43:02 - 00:36:47:07

Speaker 1

Some of the honors accomplishments include being a member of the freshman wrestling team.

00:36:47:14 - 00:36:52:04

Unknown

Saint Elizabeth Youth and core team member, and has also served as a team member for the National.

00:36:52:04 - 00:37:16:06

Speaker 1

Cheerleading Association all team. Diana was recently nominated for Santa Clara University Summer law program for minorities. Some of her hobbies are dancing, Mexican Folklorico dancing, which she has done with local venues for 13 years. She also enjoys tap and jazz, playing sports and working on her own computers. In her spare time, Fiona make time to volunteer in the community, working with children, the homeless and elderly.

00:37:16:09 - 00:37:23:09

Speaker 1

With her leadership skills and tutoring capabilities. Diana hopes to become a youth role model. She hopes to follow in the footsteps of her grandmother.

00:37:23:13 - 00:37:30:13

Unknown

Who is her role model, and demonstrate strength and determination to get work done like her grandmother has done by beating the odds and becoming.

00:37:30:13 - 00:37:34:04

Speaker 1

Successful and working hard. Diana, two, wants to be a successful Latina.

00:37:34:09 - 00:37:41:29

Unknown

Christiana Juanita Romero.

00:37:42:01 - 00:38:11:27

Speaker 1

I'm giving you those. He went as not just precious. I thought, that's us, familias amigos. In my father's is summa hashtag Vanessa Morris. Me number two is Diana Juanito Romero. Estoy ultimo ano in that area. Archbishop mitty. As soon as I know that that say this esta noche so sobre el éxito. Estoy de randy. They say this Hunter con cinco Vegas.

00:38:11:27 - 00:38:35:04

Speaker 1

You guys think you guys century fest nos vamos aqui. But casually right now. So decimos venido éxito and muchas cosas in nuestras vivas I stand here before you as one of six beautiful and distinguished young women who are not here because we were randomly selected, but because we have gone beyond our limits to achieve many.

00:38:35:04 - 00:38:37:10

Speaker 6

Accomplishments in our lives.

00:38:37:12 - 00:38:41:19

Speaker 1

This evening I am very honored to talk to you about success.

00:38:41:21 - 00:38:46:26

Unknown

I know that the values I have been taught will always be.

00:38:46:26 - 00:38:49:21

Speaker 1

Right decisions in my life.

00:38:49:23 - 00:38:56:10

Unknown

I serve my community as a role model, and I'm proud to take a stand against any and all temptations that our youth.

00:38:56:10 - 00:39:22:11

Speaker 1

Of today must face, such as smoke, alcohol and drug abuse, premarital sex and peer pressure. The youth of today must face these and many more temptations flee, and one of my goals will be to assist the Latino community in this endeavor. I have been taught values such as respect for every individual, love for all people, and faith in my beliefs.

00:39:22:13 - 00:39:49:15

Speaker 1

I realize that even though I may not fit in society, I will always be in their hearts. I could not have done this without the love and support of my family and my friends. It is this love that keeps me strong. The lessons my faith and my family have taught me, such as honesty, abstinence, and kindness. Remind me that in a world which is plagued with so many problems, the simplest things can bring the most joy to one's life.

00:39:49:18 - 00:40:22:04

Speaker 1

Remember, life is very short, so therefore we should enjoy it in every way. But also take each step carefully and wisely. I am proud to be a part of the Mexican-American community, a community where the strong bonds of family and faith teach us which paths to take in life. I am aware that we are a new generation in order to succeed and be prepared for the challenges that the new millennium will bring, we must prepare ourselves to the best and fullest of our potentials.

00:40:22:07 - 00:40:42:29

Speaker 1

It is obvious that times have changed in this world, and having the proper education will give us the tools that we need to succeed. Teens today more than ever struggle with peer pressure. I feel that I am a good example because I have successfully survived many temptations, and I really believe that others can do the same as well.

00:40:43:02 - 00:40:47:27

Unknown

As we all know, our juvenile center is overcrowded because of crimes.

00:40:47:29 - 00:41:15:25

Speaker 1

Due to peer pressure. I know that I can make a difference in our Latino community. If I can help to turn one teenager's life around, then I will have reached my goals and been successful. No, sorry I cancel your idea sooner. Personas get me Querido coming and Camino para me. Okay, mentionable is more important. Siento vimos a poner un poco de nuestra parte.

00:41:15:28 - 00:41:48:13

Speaker 1

But I to the investors, because the decision is not a separation. Todos Los cabanas nuestra futura condensation in familia medium Como lo he Como alien. The important is that Suma also do estoy movie or go USA. They said mexicana in nuestra comunidad poder representar a nuestra cultura. But you didn't do the mis actividades derecho tiempo folklorico ya passion por el canto por el mariachi todo esto.

00:41:48:13 - 00:42:18:20

Speaker 1

Are you that mantener cultura dentro de me? I like working mexicana, experiencia Confianza and Minusma. Gracias por oportunidad. Yeah todo so okay give. We're not giving it on presencia. No say you're say get motivate us para poder continuar haciendo then nuestras vidas lo mejor possible de Corazon. Les I sell muy bueno. That's I was there is can we witness.

00:42:18:20 - 00:42:29:03

Speaker 1

No. Just India. Gracias.

00:42:29:05 - 00:42:39:08

Speaker 1

Thank you. This album once again. These are 1997 Queen contestants.

00:42:39:10 - 00:42:44:28

Unknown

Miss Sabrina, Nelly Hernandez.

00:42:45:00 - 00:43:02:02

Unknown

Miss Claire Bernardino Mendoza and mama miss Nadia Marissa Reyes. I'm.

00:43:02:04 - 00:43:07:06

Unknown

miss. And Adina. Nelly Ayala.

00:43:07:09 - 00:43:14:26

Unknown

Miss Diana 20, Sacramento.

00:43:14:28 - 00:43:22:25

Unknown

And miss Salma.

00:43:22:28 - 00:43:26:02

Unknown

And.

00:43:26:04 - 00:43:36:28

Unknown

Every year, it takes a lot of hard work and determination for these young ladies. And they definitely prove that Latinas can succeed.

00:43:37:01 - 00:43:43:17

Unknown

And.

00:43:43:19 - 00:43:48:04

Unknown

thank you, ladies. I will now turn the mic.

00:43:48:04 - 00:44:05:18

Speaker 1

Back to Fernando. Statuette. That is, the judges make their decisions.

00:44:05:20 - 00:44:43:28

Speaker 4

Thank you, Monica, for a very nice job of narrating what will be a very difficult job for these judges, as it is every year. Every year. I'm personally blown away by the talent that we have in our community, by the young ladies that come to us and show why we call them our Flores Mexicanos. I wanted to take a

moment now to invite last year's queen, Vanessa Ramirez, to come up and give some farewell comments, and maybe she can tell the rest of the candidates what's in store for them, as certainly what's in store for the winner.

00:44:44:00 - 00:44:52:10

Speaker 4

Vanessa Ramirez, miss, American GI forum, for San Jose.

00:44:52:12 - 00:45:03:28

Unknown

For California and for United States. Congratulations, Vanessa.

00:45:04:01 - 00:45:06:08

Unknown

00:45:06:10 - 00:45:32:23

Speaker 1

Since we went as notice, Laguna must go to the end game. Anita. When did I miss miembros? Alvarado San Jose GI forum in honor Reyna's. I just gotta ask him. Just. Navy got us Emmys for me. Let us see. Amigos. Decent centrist. This the others way I. Yes and no. There's a sentiment that lavada. But again that's the spirit.

00:45:32:23 - 00:46:03:11

Speaker 1

That is the celebration to last often and much to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children, to earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of their friends, to find beauty and others to find the best in others, to to improve one person's life and to know that someone has been easier because you have lived this, is to have succeeded.

00:46:03:14 - 00:46:33:00

Speaker 1

These are the words of Emerson. He summarizes success what is for me a reward we only gain through effort, sacrifice, and honesty. So when I say we are today's you, tomorrow's success, this is what I mean. Right now. Our youth is making the choice to educate and improve themselves. We are along the way making sacrifices and while maintaining honesty, staying true to ourselves.

00:46:33:02 - 00:46:56:16

Speaker 1

So how do we make sure that the youth does not deviate from this path, and that they do not have to endure these hardships, these unfortunate hardships? Let me tell you how to give our youth a hand. If we can count on your hands to catch us from our downfalls. If we can count on your hands to hold ours in a time of fear and disappointment.

00:46:56:18 - 00:47:17:04

Speaker 1

If we can count on your hands to push us forward in the right direction and remind us of our goals by pointing to them, and if we can count on your hands to applaud when we triumph, then I guarantee you that we will succeed as local Queen. I am so thankful for all the support I have received and been blessed.

00:47:17:06 - 00:47:40:28

Speaker 1

San Jose GI forum. It all started here one year ago. You're the ones who are responsible for making me what I am today. You gave me a lifetime experience. I would have never made it to state or national if it hadn't been for you. Mikey. I don't know where you are, but you are the first person that I met in the San Jose GI forum, and you're the last person I ever want to lose touch with.

00:47:41:00 - 00:48:04:26

Speaker 1

Pete Gonzalez. You are the second person I met that I met in the San Jose GI forum. You're the only. You're the one who treated me with so much gardenia and call me superstar. Regardless of my skin color. And Rose Flores, you're the third person that I met, and I thank you so much for all the effort that you have put into this pageant and for taking care of me at the state competition as my chaperon.

00:48:04:29 - 00:48:24:00

Speaker 1

I'm not going to go on and tell you, you know, in what order I met everybody else. But I want to make sure that, you know, and those from the forum, you know, who influenced my life so much this past year and made my reign so meaningful. And most importantly, now the most important part? Parents, I don't know.

00:48:24:01 - 00:48:31:14

Speaker 1

I can't see you out there, but I was hoping if you could please stand mom and dad.

00:48:31:16 - 00:48:36:19

Unknown

00:48:36:22 - 00:48:41:07

Unknown

Oh. Hey, mom. Here you are. Mom and dad.

00:48:41:09 - 00:49:03:20

Speaker 1

You are the number one reason that I am here tonight. And I want you to know something. Don't ever let anything bring you down. Because nothing can bring you down. Because you have something that no one can take away from you. And that is the greatest, strongest, unconditional love that a daughter can have for her parents. That is the perpetual love that I have for you.

00:49:03:23 - 00:49:11:00

Speaker 1

My my papa. Al mami Corazon. Gracias. Who stood his son? He simply said, I give you the.

00:49:11:02 - 00:49:17:18

Unknown

Most of my.

00:49:17:21 - 00:49:19:26

Unknown

Time for my parents. Can my Nino and.

00:49:19:26 - 00:49:25:28

Speaker 1

Nino please stand? Nino? Nino, we have shared so much together.

00:49:26:00 - 00:49:32:01

Unknown

Yeah, you.

00:49:32:03 - 00:49:36:27

Unknown

The celebrations, the parties, everything that the aftermath.

00:49:36:27 - 00:49:56:00

Speaker 1

After all these competitions. Loss, contagious, everything. I will always carry with me. You have given me. You have you signified the true essence of what a familia is. And I love you. And thank you for everything you've done for me this past year. Thank you, I love you, you.

00:49:56:03 - 00:49:58:10

Unknown

And I also have some friends who.

00:49:58:10 - 00:50:12:26

Speaker 1

Came from Cal Poly all the way up here to support me. And I thank you so much. It's this means so much to me that you made the effort to come here and help me out. So thank you.

00:50:12:28 - 00:50:25:01

Speaker 1

Me? The same. But. But I spent watching this together with those who studies on like that. They meant they wear them.

00:50:25:03 - 00:50:49:20

Speaker 1

We address you guys. Okay? Sabrina. Claire. Nadia, Nelly. Diana. And the one. Congratulations. Because tonight you have exemplified the intelligence of our generation. You have shown everybody here tonight what we're made of. And I congratulate you. And I have so much faith in our next queen. And I also have faith in each one of you, that you will continue to be role models within our community.

00:50:49:22 - 00:51:09:16

Speaker 1

You have done so well and I only wish you the best. I know nothing can tear you down because yeah, you're going, you're going places and I'm so proud. And this is why no futuro podcasting can futuros that in Nuestras Manos.

00:51:09:18 - 00:51:13:19

Unknown

Before I, before I, say, may I have two more things.

00:51:13:21 - 00:51:34:08

Speaker 1

I just want to share with you a story of, oh, of my crown. You see, in the in the programs, it's a different crown. It's the TV antenna crown. And what happened was I, I just we just got a new national crown and when I was in Mexico, because I've been trying to get a new crown because it was kind of old, I was getting too much reception.

00:51:34:08 - 00:51:47:06

Speaker 1

So I said, we need a new crown. So I was in Mexico for the celebration. This on the Santa Suna, and I was talking to someone I had my Corona on. He had a six pack of Coronas on to and.

00:51:47:13 - 00:51:51:29

Unknown

We were just converse, seeing and talking. And finally I thought it was my time to go on and.

00:51:51:29 - 00:52:15:18

Speaker 1

Mingle with everybody else. So I said goodbye and his point enumerated. So not the crown off my head. And before we done this, let's let it be okay. Look, I know it's still there, intact. Perfect. Just a little bit Isa. So darn. So this past week I went to the media conference in Texas and it accidentally broke. So we finally have a new crown.

00:52:15:18 - 00:52:30:19

Speaker 1

So hopefully we can keep it here, hopefully in San Jose and in California next year. So good luck to all of you. And with that, I'd like to present, I you to ask David Rodriguez to please come forward.

00:52:30:21 - 00:52:32:23

Speaker 1

And.

00:52:32:26 - 00:52:45:22

Speaker 1

Present. I just I really felt the sincere, if not better. Thank you.

00:52:45:24 - 00:52:50:05

Speaker 1

Well, can I tell God that please come up to.

00:52:50:08 - 00:52:55:24

Unknown

00:52:56:26 - 00:53:00:00

Unknown

okay. This man, I have to thank you on behalf.

00:53:00:00 - 00:53:15:25

Speaker 1

Of the guy for him, because he has put so much effort to the new building. Like Monica said, we will be a new building next year, so I wanted to make sure that he gets his proper things, because all that effort, I know that in in the process comes a lot of just, you know, arguments and a lot.

00:53:15:25 - 00:53:29:26

Speaker 1

But he's stuck with it and we're gonna have a really awesome place next year. So I'd like to thank him. Is he around? We're talking. I get I gotta get away from the beer. Come over here.

00:53:29:29 - 00:53:39:11

Unknown

You okay? He's having his own good on. Honest. So I have a present for you, and I'll just give it to you later. I also have gifts for other people who. Who help me out through this rain.

00:53:39:11 - 00:54:01:09

Speaker 1

And I have them on the tables. So, That's it. And before I say farewell, I want to congratulate again the girls. And I hope you appreciate the beauty that they have within. That is what makes them so beautiful, is because they're intelligent and because they have motivation. And the only way we're going to go somewhere is if we see that you can motivate us and support us.

00:54:01:12 - 00:54:09:14

Speaker 1

Thank you. And we win as not just a todos siempre. You can see you soon. Crescent.

00:54:09:16 - 00:54:18:17

Unknown

00:54:18:20 - 00:54:22:01

Unknown

00:54:22:03 - 00:54:24:22

Speaker 4

Venice. I mean, this.

00:54:24:24 - 00:54:29:03

Unknown

Is just going. She.

00:54:29:03 - 00:54:58:12

Speaker 4

I had to, finalize the yesterday so you can see how prepared this woman is and how poorly she has become in just a few short months. So. And thanks again to the Cal Poly students who joined you. Vanessa, that's, to show us, support, before I progress to the next part of the program, I'd like to make a correction in your program, Dante, video is identified, incorrectly.

00:54:58:12 - 00:55:37:16

Speaker 4

As you know, he's with, casts Telemundo channel 48. What's it? Okay. And I'm told by a proud mother that Vanessa Ramirez is, as tradition has it, invited to give her last walk down the proscenium. Here before she takes her seat. So, Vanessa, I think we can give you a little round of applause as you give your last walk as queen for the American GI forum.

00:55:37:19 - 00:55:57:02

Unknown

Where the initial Moravian children.

00:55:57:04 - 00:56:07:09

Unknown

In.

00:56:07:12 - 00:56:08:17

Unknown

Babies of this caliber.

00:56:08:17 - 00:56:14:24

Speaker 4

I know that we can justifiably take pride in our future. Because the things.

00:56:14:25 - 00:56:24:09

Unknown

At hands with them. Thank you. Vanessa.

00:56:24:11 - 00:56:48:27

Speaker 4

Now, the tough job is to the judges that have been listening to each of these young ladies. it's up to you now to decide who's going to be the queen. The first runner up. Second. And, we will be presenting a miss Congeniality trophy. The second runner up presentation, the first runner up, and then the crowning of the new 1997 queen.

00:56:49:00 - 00:57:14:01

Speaker 4

So in the meantime, while you judges are working, we're going to have some entertainment. First of all, thank you to Pamela Page. Or, as she says, Pamela Buckingham for her accompaniment. That was a very classy touch to what we did tonight, and it added a nice dimension to the presentations. Also, we have with us a young man by the name of this gentleman, Roy.

00:57:14:03 - 00:57:36:16

Speaker 4

He sent them on Roy, may not be well known to you, perhaps just yet. He's only 17, but I think that you'll be able to tell through his singing talent. It's pretty astounding. He was born here in California, but he's bilingual, totally in English and Spanish. He has won the Festival de la Cancion Latin American in San Francisco.

00:57:36:18 - 00:58:14:05

Speaker 4

But more important to us down home, he's he's won twice at tacos Al Carbon restaurant contest. He's also participated in the Sunday's Mariachi Royal ticketing and the fiestas practice in San Jose. And I think many of you have already heard him sing at various occasions. He's got a, recorded, demo tape, which you'll be happy to share with you to accompany this gentleman who is dedicating this song to all of our contestants tonight behind me is the well-known Mariachi Stick, directed by Francisco Diaz, very fondly known as El Paso.

00:58:14:07 - 00:58:56:10

Speaker 4

And I invite the mariachi to strike up and sent on. Come to the sands. Forward, please watch one applause. Majestic. Others in the history, Francisco Diaz and Butter Mariachi has become in this one that companero joven B sent them ongoing content via. Una Plaza Vincent the Sandy man.

00:58:56:13 - 00:59:04:27

Unknown

A lot.

00:59:05:00 - 00:59:28:00

Unknown

Number one. This number. This. Jimenez. This is.

00:59:28:02 - 00:59:34:26

Speaker 3

Come on over to. See also. Me. Nobody. No.

00:59:34:26 - 00:59:38:04

Speaker 4

Hey!

00:59:38:07 - 00:59:48:25

Speaker 4

No! Luis. No! See me whole first name. Here. There in his.

00:59:48:25 - 00:59:53:02

Speaker 1

Position. No no no no.

00:59:53:05 - 00:59:55:07

Speaker 4

Over the years, person.

00:59:55:07 - 01:00:03:10

Unknown

Who brought up this morning.

01:00:03:13 - 01:00:07:22

Speaker 4

The you year old firm is yet.

01:00:07:22 - 01:00:47:13

Unknown

Another good name. Okay. You did good in going to do it. You did me your first. What your marketing use for me to play hard on here. Maybe the border. Smokey. Second thought, everybody got to get on you. Jerry concerned he's on water for when he was man this year. No to nobody to.

01:00:47:15 - 01:00:54:01

Speaker 3

The end of summer.

01:00:54:03 - 01:01:04:06

Unknown

Who knows yet anyway.

01:01:04:08 - 01:01:20:19

Unknown

They told it on me. All the world is like, you know. Couldn't years for me to board of in the movies. All this all.

01:01:20:20 - 01:01:24:04

Speaker 3

These second thought he thought.

01:01:24:06 - 01:01:29:16

Speaker 4

Never 30 points anymore.

01:01:29:19 - 01:01:35:09

Unknown

For those for me voice man this the end not normally.

01:01:35:11 - 01:01:36:00

Speaker 4

He be the.

01:01:36:00 - 01:01:44:14

Unknown

End of them up up good. That's good.

01:01:44:16 - 01:01:48:00

Speaker 4

That's.

01:01:48:03 - 01:02:14:24

Speaker 4

The same thing man. Glory. would you mind singing another one? There's a poster for you to see. You know, les gustaria. We go to La Vida, I like. Yes. One more now on my last one is Emperor. Can we throw a score? No. No publico. I but is apparel, but I just. I got something to say.

01:02:14:27 - 01:02:19:14

Unknown

Okay. First.

01:02:19:17 - 01:02:24:28

Unknown

Let go. Let me go ahead.

01:02:25:01 - 01:02:29:01

Unknown

Tell him my ball.

01:02:29:03 - 01:03:00:02

Unknown

On. Okay. Those naked. All those magnet must go. Let me slide. Only the second person they close. Magnet must follow me. So ready for Mr. Keys number of people? Move on. The others have to be ready for Mr. Keith. Unbelievable. Move on. All goes for the little girl. Yeah, actually. And I'll tell you that girl, I see you messing up your shit.

01:03:00:03 - 01:03:14:23

Unknown

Boys. Opportunity. Come here. This is easy, Mr. Love. On purpose for each other.

01:03:14:26 - 01:03:19:00

Unknown

You.

01:03:19:02 - 01:03:24:17

Unknown

And the Academy. It is gonna decrease in this pressure.

01:03:24:19 - 01:03:30:13

Speaker 4

Will be able to conquered in your in for this.

01:03:30:16 - 01:03:49:24

Unknown

More other receive this. Oh no no no you won't give your baby more of this evening said in the moment. You okay here is hey the they give coming up and you know give me good as a see Mr. Monk.

01:03:49:25 - 01:03:53:15

Speaker 1

Yes. For good they did.

01:03:53:18 - 01:03:59:22

Speaker 3

Is it in Mr. Aggressive for a good editor?

01:03:59:24 - 01:04:08:21

Unknown

no. No.

01:04:08:23 - 01:04:21:09

Unknown

No. It's okay.

01:04:21:12 - 01:04:31:22

Unknown

No, no.

01:04:31:24 - 01:04:37:24

Unknown

In the, In the,

01:04:37:26 - 01:04:48:08

Unknown

Do. This is innocent love you supposed to benefit. Enjoy with and see the Mr.. Demographics. Okay. Oh, good.

01:04:48:09 - 01:05:03:14

Speaker 3

Okay. Oh. That's. So that's. Is.

01:05:03:16 - 01:05:25:10

Speaker 4

Very. He is. That's what we're going to learn and hear more about this young man. We guarantee you that. I didn't just think how much I guess. Yes, I know him damn well. I understand that we have the results, so I'd like to invite the presenters to please come up so that you'll be ready to, perform your duties.

01:05:25:13 - 01:05:44:04

Speaker 4

I'll ask, Ruben Diaz, assistant sheriff, to please come up along with, Pete McHugh, the new supervisor for district three. County board of supervisors. Our chief of police. Yes. Please come forward.

01:05:44:07 - 01:05:51:03

Speaker 4

I'll be giving you a little bit of brief information about each.

01:05:51:05 - 01:06:18:08

Speaker 4

Yeah. Rosa's just asked if I could ask the, first Beach and Terminal Operations company of the United States Marine Corps to, present themselves on stage. behind each of your escorts, please. They're

headed up by Master Sergeant. Well, let us graduate of Lincoln High School, 1979. Who? They are not cadets. They are full fledged Marines.

01:06:18:11 - 01:06:25:08

Speaker 4

I apologize.

01:06:25:10 - 01:06:52:04

Speaker 4

Oh, they're doing this. let's give the American uniform another round of applause. You know, they generate 50 to \$60,000 a year in scholarships. And, the winners here will also be receiving scholarships as well.

01:06:52:07 - 01:07:23:20

Speaker 4

For waiting. Also, I'd like to introduce, Or at least, have you welcome Senator Martinez, the chapter queen from the American GI from East Valley chapter. Sinatra. Martinez, thank you for being with us tonight. Thank also with this is April Machuca. She's from Stockton. She was the American GI from Queen for California in 1996, going to school here at San Jose State.

01:07:23:23 - 01:07:51:17

Speaker 4

I'll have, Ruben Dias, come up. He's the assistant sheriff in Santa Clara County. He says his hobbies are golf. So come on up. you're going to be opening the envelope for Miss Congeniality. so then he's president decide. He serves a youth foundation. Chairman of the South Bay Law Enforcement Consortium. He chose the North Side Community Center and is on the board for Hope rehabilitation, the Salvation Army and last 20 programs.

01:07:51:17 - 01:08:23:23

Speaker 4

He's really an involved, dedicated man in our community. Sheriff. Next. I guess, who knows? County sheriff. deputy, assistant Sheriff Ruben Dias. You and open up the envelope for Miss Congeniality. You'll be presenting that trophy.

01:08:23:25 - 01:08:31:28

Speaker 4

Congratulations to Claire Mendoza. miss Congeniality.

01:08:32:01 - 01:08:37:10

Speaker 4

01:08:37:12 - 01:08:46:15

Speaker 4

01:08:46:18 - 01:09:34:26

Speaker 4

Congratulations. And next, to present, the second runner up is the former mayor of Milpitas, who's been with us through thick and thin. Our favorite Irishman, Pete McCue, who's now supervisor of district three for our county. Congratulations, Pete. He's politics. Are his hobby. Is takes. I better be, more than a hobby here, Pete. So why don't you read the envelope for second runner up?

01:09:34:28 - 01:09:39:29

Speaker 3

I think we have a mix up here because, let me ask Rose to.

01:09:40:03 - 01:09:46:18

Unknown

Come over here and just a second. Rose, we.

01:09:46:21 - 01:09:50:16

Speaker 3

Have a small glitch.

01:09:50:18 - 01:10:05:13

Unknown

That is different from other,

01:10:05:16 - 01:10:08:17

Speaker 3

Not a mistake. Not a mistake by Mendoza.

01:10:08:18 - 01:10:20:00

Unknown

Get second runner up as well. So she gets told me.

01:10:20:02 - 01:10:50:04

Unknown

Thank you.

01:10:50:06 - 01:10:51:02

Speaker 3

Congratulations.

01:10:51:02 - 01:10:59:14

Unknown

Declare. Mendoza second runner up. Now I need to recruit residents.

01:10:59:14 - 01:11:29:23

Speaker 3

You know. Next, we'll be presenting to the first runner up is our chief of police, Luke Peruvians and all these guys. And, law enforcement. I hope we're not the security right? The chief is, This will be, something well received by the D.A. for him. He was, with 101st Airborne Division in the Army. And, Greg McCallum from Berkeley and bachelor's degree from Tennessee State.

01:11:29:25 - 01:11:53:29

Speaker 3

He, of course, have been, very active in our community and promoted the first Asian-American in the history department to assist Chief First American as deputy chief, first woman to position captain. There's a lot of firsts here. You know, we, first, mayor of the city of San Jose and the American flag. Who knows? Congratulations. thank you for all the fine work.

01:11:54:01 - 01:11:54:18

Speaker 3

And I want.

01:11:54:19 - 01:12:07:06

Unknown

To read the first runner up.

01:12:07:09 - 01:12:07:29

Unknown

The first runner.

01:12:07:29 - 01:12:08:28

Speaker 3

Up is somebody nine.

01:12:09:05 - 01:12:39:26

Unknown

Hundred. Congratulations to me. This the first in a row.

01:12:39:28 - 01:12:55:18

Unknown

Graduations. To remember this.

01:12:55:20 - 01:12:57:25

Unknown

I've been given the honor of,

01:12:57:27 - 01:13:08:29

Speaker 3

Want to you. Who the. You, 1997 Queen American GI for Lana Romero.

01:13:09:01 - 01:13:34:12

Unknown

Congratulations to laying out a medal. 1997, last year in Fort Wayne. His son was in.

01:13:34:14 - 01:13:44:16

Unknown

Company for nine years.

01:13:44:18 - 01:13:45:14

Unknown

Every one of them.

01:13:45:16 - 01:13:48:08

Speaker 3

Deserves to be green.

01:13:48:11 - 01:13:55:06

Unknown

Fortunately, we only have one.

01:13:55:08 - 01:14:02:10

Speaker 3

Thank you to all the judges for a fine job. So these are many.

01:14:02:12 - 01:14:15:20

Speaker 3

A round of applause.

01:14:15:22 - 01:14:35:15

Speaker 3

Giving me a trophy will be Richard. I actually Sergeant Richard Martinez. He's the first vice commander of the state of California. American GI forum. Take the place of Leland Castro, who would be with us as the state chairman of the California GI forum, but unfortunately is undergoing surgery and.

01:14:35:15 - 01:15:12:26

Unknown

Is in the hospital. So, I you secretary of the.

01:15:12:29 - 01:15:35:03

Speaker 3

Is that, for that Romano 1997. Miss him as a gift on receiving a trophy from Sergeant Richard Martinez and. Oldest active duty sergeant with the Army.

01:15:35:05 - 01:15:57:11

Speaker 3

Richard.

01:15:57:13 - 01:16:10:02

Speaker 3

You get to Mark here. Flowers. Diana.

01:16:10:04 - 01:16:14:27

Speaker 3

Landis, the daughter of George and Alana Romero.

01:16:15:00 - 01:16:23:08

Unknown

You hear all of the senior. High school.

01:16:23:10 - 01:16:24:01

Unknown

Even you have to.

01:16:24:01 - 01:16:27:11

Speaker 3

Give her the new bouquet of flowers. Now, David.

01:16:27:13 - 01:16:31:24

Unknown

All right.

01:16:31:26 - 01:16:35:18

Unknown

01:16:35:20 - 01:16:45:00

Speaker 3

How do you know you can take your victory walk with you, pal? Your flowers. And Pleasanton cemetery.

01:16:45:03 - 01:16:52:08

Unknown

Progressively giving you green and culinary lessons. As well as the national.

01:16:52:10 - 01:17:06:01

Unknown

Treasure rescue team. And you for the service to the International Cheerleading Association. Honored to you from inside Green Recovery center locker room. Nani.

01:17:06:03 - 01:17:30:06

Speaker 3

He does not play for granted to for the remainder of the 13 years. We have dances for jazz, dancing, play sports. He work on computers and in his spent time he makes time volunteering and commuting to work with children, the homeless, the elderly. He does computer games. You become a good robot. Well, he already is well underway for and up.

01:17:30:08 - 01:17:40:25

Speaker 3

The grandmother who is her role model demonstrate strength and determination to get to work. 900 grandmother immediately has become a successful working hard. Diana wants to become you.

01:17:40:25 - 01:18:03:20

Unknown

She already is a successful Latina. I admire. What, Romero is a job for my team. 97. Congratulations.

01:18:03:23 - 01:18:06:03

Unknown

Monica, did you want to say your words?

01:18:06:06 - 01:18:16:21

Speaker 3

Do you have any?

01:18:16:23 - 01:18:18:12

Speaker 1

I'm very honored to.

01:18:18:17 - 01:18:28:02

Unknown

Be chosen as a 1997 Jennifer Queen. I like to think, my parents, my family, my friends that came to me.

01:18:28:04 - 01:18:30:08

Speaker 1

for us to participate in this project.

01:18:30:15 - 01:18:49:20

Unknown

I'd like to thank Rose and Grace and myself for all the time that they have offered for us. It is valuable. And we, thank you for this wonderful opportunity. I think everybody who came to support all of us, thank you.

01:18:49:22 - 01:18:52:05

Unknown

Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, thank you to sarcasm.

01:18:52:05 - 01:18:58:04

Speaker 3

For word answers and to be dancing to the music of Mike Curry's and his band. So thank you very much.

01:18:58:04 - 01:19:15:05

Unknown

I'll see you next year. Don't forget to thank you for Festival in July, and we'll get to the sequel the second summer, giving us a lesson in.

01:19:15:07 - 01:19:43:22

Unknown

The and.

01:19:43:25 - 01:19:56:07

Unknown

And now. And.

01:19:56:09 - 01:20:05:21

Unknown

Now.

01:20:05:23 - 01:20:24:14

Unknown

And,

01:20:24:16 - 01:20:29:20

Unknown

Yeah.

01:20:29:22 - 01:20:38:27

Unknown

You can go up there in the studio.

01:20:38:29 - 01:20:56:11

Unknown

And.

01:20:56:13 - 01:21:18:13

Unknown

Write right.

01:21:18:16 - 01:21:33:04

Unknown

Here. And.

01:21:33:06 - 01:21:38:29

Unknown

Give me.

01:21:39:02 - 01:22:07:17

Unknown

Night. We want. Okay.

01:22:07:19 - 01:22:20:11

Unknown

I feel.

01:22:20:13 - 01:23:04:24

Unknown

Very.

01:23:04:26 - 01:23:22:02

Unknown

Good.

01:23:22:04 - 01:24:39:07

Unknown

Here.

01:24:39:09 - 01:24:58:10

Unknown

Welcome.

01:24:58:13 - 01:25:15:13

Unknown

Yeah. Because.

01:25:15:15 - 01:26:23:02

Unknown

At the end.

01:26:23:05 - 01:26:23:11

Unknown

Just