

# Ensenada Bicycle Race Dedicated to Esther G. Murillo

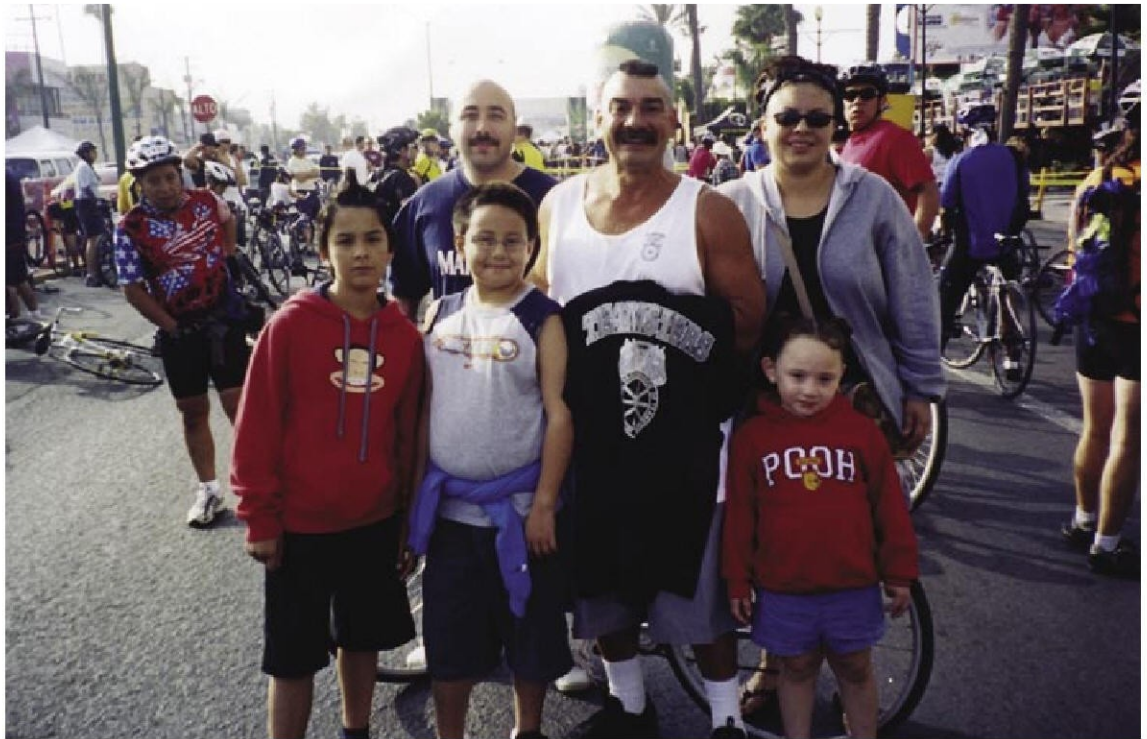
In the truest sense of the word Tudy Murillo understands what it means to be a Teamster. Selfless, determined, and always ready to donate his time and energy, Murillo has seen what Teamster support can do for those in need.

Now the 30-year driver at Yellow Transportation is sounding the call for Local 63's support, asking his fellow union members to rally behind one unlucky Teamster who recently suffered a debilitating accident.

A biker in the truest sense of the word, Murillo is at home on both his Harley-Davidson motorcycle and his 10-speed bicycle. In September Murillo participated in the Rosarito-Ensenada Bike Race — a 50-mile cycling race that winds its way along the Pacific Coast of Baja. With his family there to support him, Murillo completed the course in 3 hours, 45 minutes. He rode in honor of his mother — Esther G. Murillo — who was ill and died soon after the event.

"It was a way for our family to honor her," said Murillo of the event. "She knew it was her time and the race helped our family deal with the stress and sadness."

While he loves to pedal a bicycle, Murillo said his true passion is for the hum of a Harley engine. He makes frequent runs with other Harley enthusiasts and has formed friendships and



Back row: Mike, Tudy and Eva. Front row: Dorianne, Chris and Abigayle

camaraderie with his fellow bikers. Among the thousands who gather for biker functions across the state Murillo said he often runs into fellow Teamsters. "We're Teamsters and we're bikers," said Murillo. "We share a lot of bonds, and the same kind of

think about — the last word I had was that he's out of the coma, but he's still in pretty bad shape."

An experienced biker and Teamster retiree, Taylor suffered massive head injuries after being thrown from his bike when a wheel accidentally caught the edge of a curb. "We'd go to bike functions together and we'd run across each other all time," said Murillo. "We made connections through that and he's been a friend for a long time."

Murillo is asking for Local 63 Teamsters to pitch in with any help they can give to get Taylor back on his feet. "Anything will help," he said, adding that the Local has collected contributions on Taylor's behalf. "There's a lot of need and I'd like to see if we could do something to try and help his family."

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Murillo also understands the inherent danger in his favorite pastime, especially after the recent wreck of fellow Teamster and friend J.T. Taylor. "It was a terrible thing," said Murillo of the accident that left Taylor in an extended coma. "It's hard to even