

Graffiti, Tagging, Bombing

Are terms used as markings, initials, slogans, or drawings, written, spray-painted, or sketched on a sidewalk, wall, or a building or public restroom.

Vandalized, graffiti-marked, and messy property generates unease and says to the public that the neighborhood, school, or community is not valued by its residents.

There are four types of graffiti: hip-hop, gang, hate, and generic. The majority of "taggers" are males between 12 and 21 years old. 15% of graffiti vandals are young females. Four primary motivating factors for graffiti vandalism are fame, rebellion, self expression, and power. A tagger's motivation is to gain exposure and notoriety through mass media.

- ✦ Graffiti is the most common type of property vandalism (35%)
- ✦ Graffiti cost tax payers over \$1 million per year in taxes
- ✦ Graffiti contributes to loss of revenue
- ✦ Graffiti heightens fear of gang activity

If your property is vandalized

- ✦ Remove graffiti immediately
- ✦ Identify clean-up areas
- ✦ Create graffiti murals
- ✦ Report offenders

- ✦ Recruit youth to help clean-up
- ✦ Apply for Anti-Graffiti Grants
- ✦ Plant trees or other greenery to help prevent access
- ✦ Install lighting in dark areas
- ✦ Install cameras
- ✦ Graffiti hot-lines

New code enforcement is providing victims with free assistance on graffiti removal.

After graffiti is removed, the cost of removal can be logged in and used when charging a graffiti vandal.

To request free paint, or report graffiti call 720-865-7867 or 3-1-1 or go online to www.denvergov.org/graffiti.

S\$WIC's 1st Annual Family Day is Wednesday June 17, 2009—9:00-5:00. There will be food, games and fun for the entire family. Save the date and bring the family for a fun day in the sun.

District 3 Spring Cleaning Saturday, May 16, 2009 9:00—12:00. Meet at Knapp Elementary School, 500 S. Utica Street. Bring your gloves and tools, projects are happening in each of our District 3 neighborhoods.

KIPP Krazy Carnival Saturday, May 16, 2009 12:00-4:00— 375 S. Tejon Street. Carnival games, obstacle course, dunk tan, giant slide, castle bounce, food and fun.

MISSING



**IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT MYSTIC :
CALL THE MESA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (970)-242-6707
OR THE POLLY KLAAS® FOUNDATION (800) 587-4357**

Mystic Salazar

Missing From Grand Junction, CO

Date Missing: 8/17/2008

Date of Birth: 5/23/2002

Age at Disappearance: 6 years

Race: Caucasian/Hispanic

Sex: Female

Height: 3'3"

Weight: 35 lbs.

Eyes: Green

Hair: Light brown

**Other: Mystic has a silver bottom
tooth and her ears are pierced.**



MISSING CHILD

CIRCUMSTANCES

Mystic went missing on August 17, 2008. She may be in the company of her non-custodial father, an adult female and two male children. They may be traveling in a gold 2000 Chrysler Voyager with Colorado license plates 355SGZ.

Mystic Salazar

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o The Polly Klaas® Foundation (800) 587-4357**