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Vigil for Montreal Women

Thursday as news reached campus of the shooting deaths of 14 women at the University of Montreal, Penn women organized a vigil attended by some 200 on College Hall Green.

Women's Center Director Elena DiLapi said the vigil was held immediately to give support after a stream of Penn women students came to the Center with evidence of shock, depression and identification with the victims, who had been denounced by the gunman as "a bunch of feminists" as he killed them and wounded 9 other women and 4 men. "We felt we shouldn't wait for the city-wide vigil, but needed to do something now for Penn women." The city-wide vigil is scheduled for December 14 at 5 p.m. on the west side of City Hall, using the theme of Penn's flyer, "...for the Montreal women and for women survivors everywhere."

Both female and male speakers in the Penn vigil spoke of backlash against feminism and a "continuum of violence" in society. Montreal did not have a particularly activist history, Ms. DiLapi said, except for a recent brief campaign against date rape using the slogan "No means No," on posters where men added graffiti "No means More Beer." Nor were the women engineering students identified as feminists except by the gunman, she said.

According to wire services a 25-year-old unemployed recluse calling himself Marc Lepine carried an assault rifle in a bag past a broken security camera at Montreal's prestigious engineering school, the Ecole Polytechnique, systematically shooting women in corridors, cafeteria and classrooms. In one case he reportedly divided a roomful of students by gender and sent men students out before opening fire on the women, shouting as he fired, "You're all a bunch of feminists. I hate feminists."

Police summarized but did not release a suicide note found in his pocket, in which he "blamed women for spoiling his life." They found no evidence that he had attended or applied to the school he invaded.

At the Penn vigil attended by over 200, speakers included Ms. DiLapi and Gloria Gaye of the Women's Center, Joann Mitchell of Affirmative Action, Dr. Robert E. Davies of the Faculty Senate (whose talk is given in his column on page 2), Mohamed Saadi Elmandjra of GAPSA, Hunter Heany of the UA, Dr. Helen C. Davies of the Council Safety & Security Committee, Dr. Michelle Fine of WEOUP (Women for Equal Opportunity at the U of P), Liz Dominik of Penn Women's Alliance and Erica Strohl and Anne Siegle of STAAR (Students Together Against Acquaintance Rape). The Rev. Beverly Dale of the Christian Association sang a closing to the vigil.

Moh Chair: \$2 Million 30th Wedding Anniversary Gift

Alumnus and Penn Parent Laurence Za Yu Moh, chairman and CEO of Universal Furniture Limited, has given the Wharton School \$2 million to establish an endowed chair named for his wife, Celia Z. Moh, commemorating the Mohs' 30th wedding anniversary. This year also marks the 30th anniversary of Universal Furniture, a worldwide company Mr. Moh founded after receiving his MBA from Wharton in 1953.

"I have been very fortunate in the past 30 years," Mr. Moh said. "This gift has been made in appreciation of my long and close association with Wharton, which began with my formal education there. This gift is also made in appreciation of that person who has provided me with the best advice and strongest support for 30 years, my wife.'

"Larry and Celia Moh are a team in every sense of the word," said Wharton's Dean Russell E. Palmer. "We feel honored to have her name associated with Wharton's name in perpetuity."

Establishment of The Celia Z. Moh Professorship brings to 54 the number of endowed professorships at the School. Mr. Moh has expressed the hope that a woman be appointed to the new faculty position. This gift is his third major donation to Wharton. Mr. Moh has contributed two full scholarships annually to MBA students since 1985, and in 1987 the Universal Furniture Professorship at the Wharton School was established with a gift from Mr. Moh, three of his colleagues, and Universal Furniture. The pro-



The Mohs on a visit to Philadelphia

fessorship is currently held by Dr. Paul K. Kleindorfer, professor of decision sciences and economics and vice dean and director of Wharton's doctoral division.

Mr. Moh, who was born in Shanghai, came to the United States in 1949. After earning his MBA at Wharton, he returned to Hong Kong to found Universal Furniture, now the world's leading manufacturer of popular-priced furniture with manufacturing operations in 10 countries on three continents, and worldwide marketing and sales activities. Last June, MASCO Corporation, a Michigan-based manufacturing company, acquired Universal in a pooling-of-interest transaction.

The Mohs currently live in Singapore. Their younger son, Michael, and two nieces, Angela Moh and Karen Zung, are undergraduates at Wharton. A third niece, Laura Zung, earned her undergraduate degrees from Wharton and the College of Arts and Sciences in 1989.

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Rules Governing Final Exams

The rules governing final examinations are as follows:

No student may be required to take more than two final examinations on any one calendar day. No instructor may hold a final examination except during the period in which final examinations are scheduled and, when necessary, during the period of postponed examinations. No final examinations may be scheduled during the last week of classes or on reading days.

Postponed examinations may be held only during the official periods: the first week of the spring and fall semesters. Students must obtain permission from their dean's office to take a postponed exam. Instructors in all courses must be ready to offer a make-up examination to all students who were excused from the final examination.

No instructor may change the time or date of a final exam.

No instructor may increase the time allowed for a final exam beyond the scheduled two hours without permission from the appropriate dean or the Vice Provost for University Life.

No classes (covering new material) may be held during the reading period. Review sessions may be held.

All students must be allowed to see their final examination. Access to graded finals should be ensured for a period of one semester after the exam has been given.

In all matters relating to final exams, students with questions should first consult with their dean's offices. We encourage professors to be as flexible as possible in accommodating students -Michael Aiken, Provost with conflicting schedules.

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