Monday, April 29, 2019

Campus Resources Available Following Poway Shooting

As we continue to grieve following Saturday’s senseless act of violence and hate at Chabad of Poway, let’s recommit to each doing our part to ensure that CSUSM is not just a place that talks about being a diverse and welcoming community, but one that shows it through our actions and priorities.

White supremacy, anti-Semitism and any other doctrines that promote hatred or racism have no place at CSUSM or anywhere else in our community. CSUSM values being an inclusive and welcoming campus, one committed to diversity and welcoming all people to study and work at our university.

I have been in touch with CSUSM’s incoming president, Dr. Ellen Neufeldt, who has expressed her deepest sympathies for the victims, friends, families and our entire community. She stands in solidarity with our students, faculty, staff and community.

I have directed our campus flag to be flown at half-staff this week in honor of the victims of Saturday’s shooting (the state and American flags can only be lowered by order of the governor/president of the United States).

Please remember that we have resources available for those who need support. I also want to alert you to some of the community events occurring this week should you wish to attend.

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President

Campus Resources
Student Health and Counseling Services is open for walk-in counseling services from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with after-hours crisis counseling available by appointment. The Latin@ Center and Cross-Cultural Center are open and welcome conversation and dialogue.
The Cougar Care Network and SOAR can provide information about on- and off-campus resources.

The Employee Assistance Program is available for faculty and staff at (800) 367-7474.

The Office of University Ombuds offers confidential and neutral assistance.

Upcoming Events

Funeral Services for Lori Gilbert Kaye
Monday, April 29 at 2 p.m.
Chabad of Poway: 16934 Chabad Way, Poway
All are welcome as the community celebrates the heroic and beautiful life of Lori Kaye. A livestream of the service is also available by clicking the link.

Fighting Hate for Good: Community Vigil for Poway
Monday, April 29 at 6:30 p.m.
Poway High School: 15500 Espola Road, Poway
A candlelight vigil honoring the victims of the Chabad of Poway tragedy and to stand together against anti-Semitism and hate, organized by ADL, Jewish Community Foundation, Jewish Family Service, Jewish Federation and Poway Unified School District

CSUSM Rededication of the White Rose Memorial
Wednesday, May 1 at noon
CSUSM Forum Plaza
Join the campus community in solidarity as we rededicate the White Rose Memorial and stand together against hate and anti-Semitism.

Yom HaShoah: Holocaust Remembrance Day
Thursday, May 2 from 4-6 p.m.
CSUSM University Student Union 2310
Holocaust survivors will speak in honor of Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day), a Jewish holiday in commemoration of the 6 million Jews who perished in the Holocaust as a result of the actions carried out by Nazi Germany and its collaborators. Organized by Hillel at CSUSM

National Day of Prayer
Thursday, May 2 from 6-7 p.m.
Grape Day Park: 130 Woodward Ave., Escondido
Join regional faith communities as they gather to share prayer traditions and pray for peace. Organized by Escondido Together