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CME Statement in Response to the Pulse Orlando Mass Shooting

June 20, 2016

Today the Center for Multicultural Education at Missouri Western State University stands united with the LGBTQIA+ & Latino communities after the tragedy in Orlando, Florida, on June 12, 2016.

The Center for Multicultural Education stands together with the people of Orlando, the global LGBTQIA+ community and with those who stand against violence and hatred of all forms. We mourn the lives that were lost and to those that are affected by this tragedy. We are committed to changing the circumstances that allow acts of violence like this to happen. In order to do this, we need to come together to support one another and create safe environments for people to express themselves.

There has been a lot of information which has come to light after this tragedy and our office, along with others on campus and in the St. Joseph & nationwide community, are here to support everyone through this time. We encourage you or others to contact the following organizations below if you or someone you know needs support or assistance.

In Solidarity,

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(816) 271-4327

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1-866- 488-7386

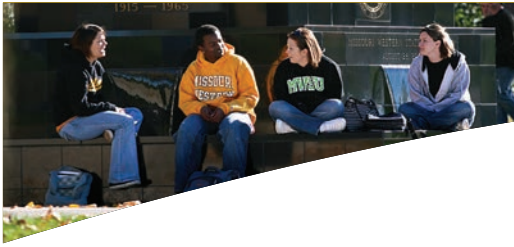
PROMO Kansas City
<https://promoonline.org/resources/kansas-city-region.html>

Gay Straight Christian Fellowship
gcfzionucc@yahoo.com

PFLAG
www.pflagstjoemo.com

Zion UCC Church
(816) 232-7009

First Christian Church
(816) 233-2556



Fall 2016 Upcoming Events

August 29: Western Warm Up,
11am-1pm, Outside Blum Union

September 7: Suicide Prevention,
11:30am-1pm, Blum Lobby

September 12: Finding the Faith,
11am-1pm, Blum Lobby

September 12: Movie Night:
"Miracles from Heaven", 6pm, Blum 223

September 13: Multicultural Meet & Greet,
6pm, Blum 218

September 14: Step Afrika,
7pm, Potter Hall Theatre

September 15: CME BBQ,
5pm-7pm, Commons Building

September 20: Zumbathon,
6pm, Blum 218

September 27: Hispanic Heritage Banquet,
6pm, Blum 222-223

October 4: Movie Night: "Spare Parts",
6pm, Blum 218

October 12: Hispanic Cuisine,
11am-1pm, Dining Hall

October 13: Speaker: Michael Sam,
7pm, Spratt 101

November 1: Haskell University Tribal Dancers,
7pm, Spratt 101

November 14-18: Food & Clothing Drive,
Blum Lobby, 11:30am-1pm

December 15: Multicultural Graduate Reception,
4pm, Enright 214-216

December 16: Finals Friday,
2pm-4pm, Blum 218

Hispanic Heritage Month Icon: Susana Martinez

New Mexico Gov.
Susana Martinez was born on July 14, 1959, in El Paso, Texas.

When she graduated from Riverside High School in El Paso in 1977, Martinez was among the top students in her class. She went on to earn her bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at El Paso in 1981 and her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law in 1986.

In the mid-1980s, Martinez moved to Las Cruces, New Mexico, and served as an assistant district attorney for the 3rd Judicial District in Doña Ana County, New Mexico, from 1986 to 1992.

Martinez was a Democrat until 1995, when she changed membership and joined the Republican Party. She won the Republican nomination for governor of New Mexico in the June 1, 2010, primary election, with 51 percent of the vote in a five-way contest: She defeated State Representative Janice Arnold-Jones, former



Republican Party State Chairman Allen Weh, Pete Domenici Jr. (son of former New Mexico U.S. Senator Pete Domenici) and Doug Turner, owner of a public relations firm.

In the general election in November 2010,

Martinez faced Diane Denish, who had been the state's lieutenant governor. In September 2011, Martinez said that she did not know whether her paternal grandparents had immigrated from Mexico illegally. Further research revealed that they had followed the rules of entry at that time, and that Martinez is the great-granddaughter of Mexican Revolutionary General Toribio Ortega.

The Martinez-Denish race was the third case in United States history in which two women vied for the same gubernatorial seat. Martinez's victory made her the first female governor of New Mexico and the first female Hispanic governor in the country.

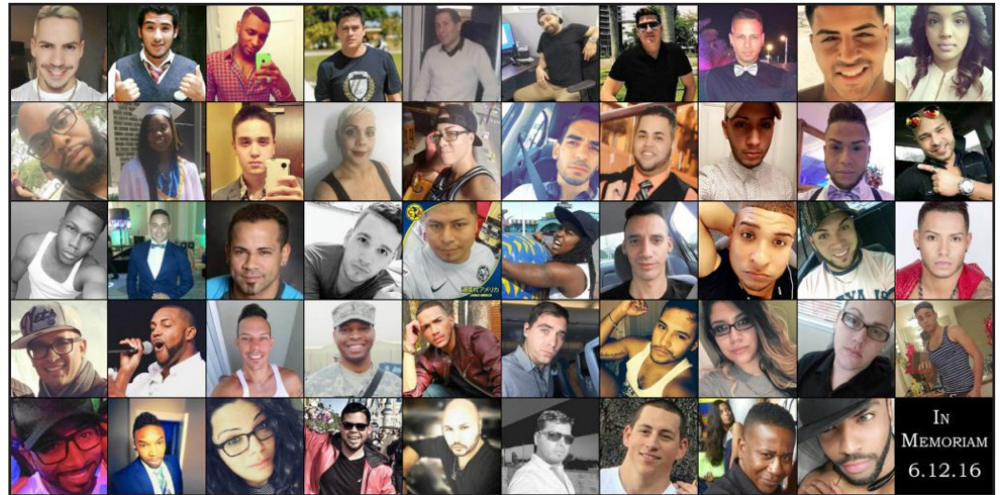
Source: <http://www.biography.com/people/susana-martinez-20929813>

2016 Religious & Cultural Calendar

- Aug. 5: Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu)
- Aug. 6: Transfiguration (Christian)
- Aug. 13-15: Bon/Obon (Buddhist)
- Aug. 14: Tisha B'Av (Jewish)
- Aug. 15: Dormition of Theotokos (Christian)
- Aug. 17: Ullambana/Ghost Festival (Buddhist)
- Aug. 18: Raksha/Bandham (Hindu)
- Aug. 25: Krishna Jammashami (Hindu)
- Aug. 28: Onam (Hindu)
- Sept. 5: Nativity of Theotokos (Christian)
- Sept. 9: Radha Asthami (Hindu)
- Sept. 10: Waqf al Arafa (Muslim)
- Sept. 11-14: Eid al Adha (Muslim)
- Sept. 14: Triumph of the Cross (Christian)
- Sept. 15-Oct. 15: Hispanic Heritage Month (Cultural Event)
- Sept. 21: Radhasthami (Hindu)
- Sept. 23: Yom Kippur (Jewish)
- Sept. 23: American Indian Day (Cultural Event)
- Sept. 27-Oct. 4: Sukkot (Jewish)
- All of October: LGBT History Month (Cultural Event)
- Oct. 1-10: Navratri (Hindu)
- Oct. 2: Feat of Guardian Angels (Christian)
- Oct. 2: Muharram (Muslim)
- Oct. 3-4: Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)
- Oct. 4-5: Shmini Atzeret (Jewish)
- Oct. 5: Fast of Gedalliah (Jewish)
- Oct. 11: Dassera/Durga Puia (Hindu)
- Oct. 12: Spanish National Day (Cultural Event)
- Oct. 12: Ashura (Muslim)
- Oct. 12: Yom Kippur (Jewish)
- Oct. 17-23: Sukkot (Jewish)
- Oct. 20: Birth of Guru Ram Das (Sikh)
- Oct. 23: Hoshanah Rabbah (Jewish)
- Oct. 24: Shmini Atzeret (Jewish)
- Oct. 6: Simchat Torah (Jewish)
- Oct. 30: Diwali (Sikh & Hindu)
- Oct. 31: All Hallow's Eve Reformation Day (Christian)
- All of November: Native American Heritage Month
- Nov. 1: All Saints Day (Christian)
- Nov. 1: Dia de los Muertos (Cultural Event)
- Nov. 2: All Souls' Day (Christian)
- Nov. 14: Birth of Guru Nanak (Sikh)
- Nov. 24: Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Sikh)
- Nov. 24: Thanksgiving (Cultural Event)
- Nov. 27: Beginning of Advent (Christian)
- Dec. 8: Feast of Immaculate Conception (Christian)
- Dec. 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe (Christian)
- Dec. 12: Mawlid al-Nabi (Muslim)
- Dec. 24: Christmas Eve (Christian)
- Dec. 25: Christmas (Christian)
- Dec. 24-Jan 1: Hanukkah (Jewish)
- Dec. 26- Jan. 1: Kwanzaa (Cultural Event)
- Dec. 28: Dia de los Santos Inocentes (Cultural Event)
- Dec. 31: New Year's Eve (Cultural Event)
- Jan. 1: New Year's Day (Cultural Event)
- Jan. 5: Birth of Guru Gobind Singh (Sikh)
- Jan. 6: Epiphany (Christian)
- Jan. 8: Baptism of the Lord (Christian)
- Jan. 12-15: Mahayana New Year (Buddhist)
- Jan. 14: Makar Sankranti (Hindu)
- Jan. 15: World Religion Day (Cultural Event)
- Jan. 16: Religious Liberty Day (Cultural Event)
- Jan. 16: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Cultural Event)



Orlando Memorial Orlando Pulse Shooting: Victims Names & Pictures



- Stanley Almodovar III, 23 years old
- Amanda Alvear, 25 years old
- Oscar A. Aracena-Montero, 26 years old
- Rodolfo Ayala-Ayala, 33 years old
- Antonio Davon Brown, 29 years old
- Darryl Roman Burt II, 29 years old
- Angel L. Candelario-Padro, 28 years old
- Juan Chevez-Martinez, 25 years old
- Luis Daniel Conde, 39 years old
- Cory James Connell, 21 years old
- Tevin Eugene Crosby, 25 years old
- Deonka Deidra Drayton, 32 years old
- Simon Adrian Carrillo Fernandez, 31 years old
- Leroy Valentin Fernandez, 25 years old
- Mercedes Marisol Flores, 26 years old
- Peter O. Gonzalez-Cruz, 22 years old
- Juan Ramon Guerrero, 22 years old
- Paul Terrell Henry, 41 years old
- Frank Hernandez, 27 years old
- Miguel Angel Honorato, 30 years old
- Javier Jorge-Reyes, 40 years old
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- Jason Benjamin Josaphat, 19 years old
- Eddie Jamoldroy Justice, 30 years old
- Anthony Luis Laureanodisla, 25 years old
- Christopher Andrew Leinonen, 32 years old
- Alejandro Barrios Martinez, 21 years old
- Brenda Lee Marquez McCool, 49 years old
- Gilberto Ramon Silva Menendez, 25 years old
- Kimberly Morris, 37 years old

- Akyra Monet Murray, 18 years old
- Luis Omar Ocasio-Capo, 20 years old
- Geraldo A. Ortiz-Jimenez, 25 years old
- Eric Ivan Ortiz-Rivera, 36 years old
- Joel Rayon Paniagua, 32 years old
- Jean Carlos Mendez Perez, 35 years old
- Enrique L. Rios Jr., 25 years old
- Jean C. Nives Rodriguez, 27 years old
- Xavier Emmanuel Serrano Rosado, 35 years old
- Christopher Joseph Sanfeliz, 24 years old
- Yilmery Rodriguez Solivan, 24 years old
- Edward Sotomayor Jr., 34 years old
- Shane Evan Tomlinson, 33 years old
- Martin Benitez Torres, 33 years old
- Jonathan Antonio Camuy Vega, 24 years old
- Juan P. Rivera Velazquez, 37 years old
- Luis S. Vielma, 22 years old
- Franky Jimmy Dejesus Velazquez, 50 years old
- Luis Daniel Wilson-Leon, 37 years old
- Jerald Arthur Wright, 31 years old

Source: <http://www.cityforlando.net/blog/victims/>



2016 Campus Dates

- August 31: Classes Begin
- September 7: Labor Day Holiday
- September 9: 1st Financial Aid Disbursement
- September 16: Business Office Disbursement (Refund Check)
- September 20: Federal Work Study Disbursement
- September 30: 1st time borrower 30 Day Delay (Financial Aid Disbursement)
- October 7: 1st time borrower 30 Day Delay (Business Office Disbursement)
- October 20: Federal Work Study Disbursement
- October 28: Mid-term Grades Due
- October 28: 2nd Financial Aid Disbursement
- November 4: Business Office Disbursement (Refund Check)
- November 6: Last day to Withdraw
- November 9: Registration Begins for Spring
- November 20: Federal Work Study Disbursement
- November 22-29: Fall Break (no classes/campus closed)
- December 11: Last Day of classes
- December 12-18: Final Exams
- December 19: Commencement
- December 20: Federal Work Study Disbursement
- December 21: Final Grades Due
- December 24-January 3: Campus Closed
- January 19: Classes begin

Native American Icon: Maria Tallchief

Born on January 24, 1925, in Fairfax, Oklahoma, Maria Tallchief was the first Native American (Osage Tribe) woman to break into ballet. Tallchief grew up in Los Angeles, California, where she studied ballet for many years. Her career as a ballerina spanned the globe and led to a short marriage to George Balanchine. She died on April 11, 2013, at age 88, in Chicago, Illinois. The daughter of an Osage tribe member, she was also a trailblazer for Native Americans in the world of ballet.



During her early career, in the 1940s, Tallchief danced with the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo. It was also around this time that she became known professionally as Maria Tallchief, combining the two parts of her Indian name. In 1947, she became the first prima ballerina of the New York City Ballet—a title that she would hold for the next 13 years. That same year, Tallchief became the first American to dance with the Paris Opera Ballet. In addition to her work with the NYCB and Paris Opera Ballet, she was a guest performer with the American Ballet Theatre.

Around this same time, Tallchief met and became involved with the famed choreographer George Balanchine. The couple wed in 1946 and separated in 1951. After joining the New York City Ballet in 1948, Tallchief danced to Balanchine's choreography.

Maria Tallchief quickly became a popular figure in ballet, performing in productions such as Orpheus, Scotch Symphony, Miss Julie, Firebird and The Nutcracker (performing as Sugar Plum Fairy). She also created roles for Orpheus and Scotch Symphony, both choreographed by Balanchine, among other plays he

choreographed. In addition to wide fame, Tallchief earned strong reviews from critics for her technical precision, musicality and strength.

In 1957, Tallchief married Henry Paschen. After the birth of their daughter, Elise, in 1959, Tallchief took some time away from ballet. She eagerly returned to the stage, working on several more productions

until her retirement in 1965. Thereafter, she became a ballet instructor and began serving as artistic director for the Lyric Opera Ballet. Later, she founded and became artistic director of the Chicago City Ballet.

In 1996, Tallchief became one of only five artists to receive the Kennedy Center Honors for their artistic contributions in the United States. That same year, the dancer was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame.

In 1999, Tallchief was awarded the National Medal of Arts, the highest award given to artists and arts patrons by the U.S. government, which honors individuals who "are deserving of special recognition by reason of their outstanding contributions to the excellence, growth, support and availability of the arts in the United States." (Other recipients of the award include Mikhail Baryshnikov, Harry Belafonte and Cab Calloway.)

Source: <http://www.biography.com/people/maria-tallchief-9501522>