

IN OUR COMMUNITY

WE TAKE ACTION

Today is not only a time to reflect on violence against women in our society, but is also a day for communities and individuals all across Canada to think about the concrete actions that each of us can take to prevent and eliminate this violence. Here are a few ideas:

- Listen to women and believe them
- Heal the violence in your own life
- Break the silence
- Make violence your business
- Raise non-violent children
- Use your time, energy and money to promote women's equality
- Speak out against negative media images
- Help girls protect themselves
- Encourage people who commit violence to get help
- Remember



Thank you on behalf of the Lower Columbia Violence Against Women in Relationships (VAWIR) Committee

WELCOME

WE REMEMBER

On December 6th, 1989, a man entered the School of Engineering at Ecole Polytechnique in Montreal

He went to several classrooms, saying *"You [women] have no right being here."*

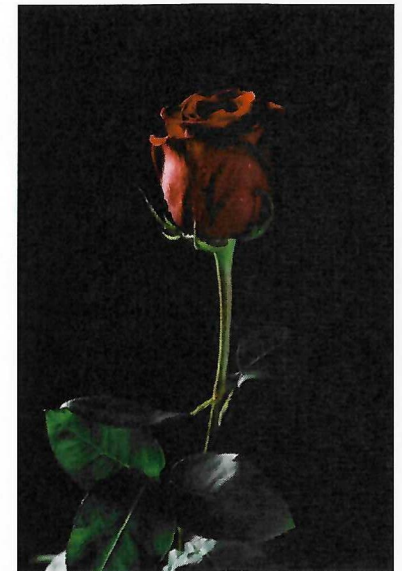
He separated the women from the men.

He then systematically murdered 14 young women. In his suicide letter he wrote:...

"I have decided to send the feminist, who have always ruined my life, to their Maker."

Twelve of these women were engineering students, one a grad student and instructor. The other two women were an administration staff worker and a health sciences student.

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women December 6th



THEY WERE

Geneviève Bergeron (21)

Hélène Colgan (23)

Nathalie Croteau (23)

Barbara Daigneault (22)

Anne-Marie Edward (21)

Maud Haviernick (29)

Barbara Klucznik Widajewicz (31)

Maryse Laganère (25)

Maryse Leclair (23)

Anne-Marie Lemau (27)

Sonia Pelletier (23)

Michèle Richard (21)

Annie St-Arneault (23)

Annie Turcotte (21)