

UCSD Muir College Commencement Fact Sheet

June 17, 1990

UCSD COMMENCEMENT FACT SHEET JUNE 17, 1990

MUIR COLLEGE

SITE: Third College Playing Field

TIME: 9 A.M.

NUMBER OF GRADUATES: 700

NUMBER OF GUESTS: 5,400

MUSIC: Cameron Highlander Bagpipers, John Rosenberger, Pipemaster

RECEPTION: Media Center Plaza, Third College

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER: John L. Stewart, Provost Emeritus of Muir College and first chairman of the UCSD departments of music, theatre and visual arts.

AWARDS AND HONORS:

OUTSTANDING MUIR SCHOLARS: Dalit Gisser, quantitative economics and decision sciences, (Albuquerque, NM); Jon Scott McElvain, physics, (Manhattan Beach, CA); John Mathew Norwood, applied mathematics, science of programming (Humbolt, CA); Christopher Gabriel Rongo, molecular biology (Nevada); Rachel Dana Sandweiss, psychology, (San Diego) and Ruth Davida Sandweiss, psychology, (San Diego).

MUIR STUDENT SPEAKERS: Dan Stone, double major: economics and urban studies and planning (Lafayette, CA) and Peggy Sellers, mathematics major (Occidental, CA)

JOEL DEAN AWARD: Henry John Catry, quantitative economics and decision sciences, (San Pedro, CA)

A. IRVING HALLOWELL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ANTHROPOLOGY: Nancy L. Frey, anthropology (Gold River, CA)

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARD: Karen Maye Toomey, English and American literature, (Laguna Hills, CA)

MUIR COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER INFORMATION SHEET FOR EXERCISES ON JUNE 17, 1990

SPEAKER: Muir College Provost Emeritus John L. Stewart, talking about "The Wilderness of Human Values," a play upon the title of a popular course ("The Wilderness and Human Values") which he taught at UCSD.

TIME: 9 a.m., Third College Field

Stewart came to UCSD in 1964 to establish the departments of music, visual arts and theatre. Prior to his coming to UCSD he had served for 15 years at Dartmouth College as a professor of English literature and associate director of the Hopkins Center for the Arts.

He was appointed Provost of John Muir College in 1965 with responsibility for overseeing the organization of the college and its campus. He continued in that position until his retirement in 1987.

While serving as provost he taught courses in literature and contemporary opera. His best-known course was one with an interdisciplinary format entitled "The Wilderness and Human Values." This highly popular course provided him the opportunity to hike and backpack with students in the mountains and deserts.

Stewart is currently director of the Returning Scholars Programs for UCSD University Extension. He is the author of "Ernst Krenek: The Man and His Music," to be published this year by the University of California Press.

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