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CONSERVATIONIST AND FORMER PEACE CORPS DIRECTOR JACK HOOD VAUGHN TO LECTURE AT UCSD

Jack Hood Vaughn, Vice President of Conservation International and former director of the Peace Corps, will be the speaker for the 10th annual David Marc Belkin Memorial Lecture at the University of California, San Diego April 21.

His free public talk, "Growth and Conservation: A Collision Course." will be at 8 p.m. in Peterson Hall, Room 108, Third College.

Vaughn has had a varied career in both the public and private sectors. Some of the highlights include: Ambassador to Panama in 1964-65; Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, 1965-66; Director of the Peace Corps, 1966-69; Ambassador to Colombia, 1969-70; President of the National Urban Coalition, 1970-71, and president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, 1975-77.

He has also been president of Pierce Energy Corp., a gas and oil drilling company; Vice Chairman of Pierce International ad., a merchant and investment bank, and resident vice-president in Iran for the Development and Resources Corp.

Vaughn holds a master's degree in economics from the University of Michigan, where he was once also the head boxing coach.

The organization he helps run now, Conservation International, is headquartered in Washington, D.C., and works to promote conservation efforts in Latin America.

"Its mission is to help develop the capacity to sustain biological diversity and the ecosystems and ecological processes that support life on Earth," according to an organization brochure.

The Belkin Lecture, sponsored by Muir College, is held annually to honor the memory of David Belkin, an honor student at Muir who was killed in 1979 while backpacking the High Sierras.

Following his death, his family and friends established the lectureship program on wilderness education.

Each spring the lecture has featured a well-known speaker on a subject pertaining to conservation or the environment.

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