

## Media Advisory, John Chancellor to speak at UCSD

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MEDIA ADVISORY: To assignment editors, book editors

EVENT: John Chancellor to Speak at UCSD

Veteran journalist and NBC News commentator John Chancellor will appear at the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) for a free public lecture and book signing sponsored by the University Bookstore.

Following the lecture Chancellor will sign copies of his forthcoming book, "Peril and Promise: A Commentary on America," published by Harper & Row.

DATE: Tuesday, June 5

TIME: 7 p.m.

PLACE: Price Center Ballroom, UCSD

OF NOTE: Chancellor's book, and lecture, provide an assessment of the crisis facing the United States as it approaches the 21st century and outlines what can be done to avoid it. He argues that while the dangers of foreign competition are real and growing, the U.S. is uniquely positioned to maintain its world leadership despite problems of debt, deficits, poverty, education and drugs. What the country needs, he believes, is a return to the spirit of sacrifice and commitment that won World War II.

A Prescriptive Look at Where The U.S. Stands in the Last Decade of the 20th Century ...

PERIL AND PROMISE

A Commentary on America

JOHN CHANCELLOR

A powerful, groundbreaking book that assesses the crisis facing the United States as it approaches the 21st century and outlines what can be done to avoid it.

With the clarity and common sense of his commentaries on The NBC Nightly News, John Chancellor reminds us that the United States is the richest and most powerful nation on earth, twice as productive as Japan, with enormous resources of strength and talent. Yet many Americans believe their living standard is in decline and the future of their children endangered. There is fear that the country has been overtaken by foreign competition. Chancellor argues that while the dangers are real and growing, the United States is uniquely positioned to maintain its world leadership despite problems of debt, deficits, poverty, education, and drugs.

In this short, hard-hitting, and unorthodox book Chancellor explains why the United States got in trouble and outlines what can be done to rescue it. He strongly believes a renaissance is possible, that America has the brains and ideas necessary to turn things around. What the country needs, says Chancellor, is a reorganization of government, politics, business, and education; a national pledge to overcome the greatest threat to American security since World War II; and a return to the wartime spirit of sacrifice and commitment that won the war.

He presents, in layman's language, a challenging agenda for renovation of the American system based on the ideas of statesmen, economists, scholars, educators, and politicians. The result is impressive, exciting, and important.

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