

MEDIA ADVISORY

ANNUAL UCSD PUMPKIN DROP

October 27, 2004

EVENT:

29th Annual Muir College Pumpkin Drop, Carnival and Barbeque, University of California, San Diego

DATE:

Friday, October 29, 2004

TIME:

12:30 p.m. pumpkin drop; 11 a.m.-2 p.m. carnival and barbeque

LOCATION:

Muir quad between Tioga Hall and Tenaya Hall at UCSD. (For directions to the event, a map of the campus is available. Tioga Hall is Building 210 on the Muir College campus.)

BACKGROUND:

The pumpkin, named GPA (for Grade Point Average), will be dropped by members of the Muir College Residents Executive Council from the 11th story of Tioga Hall, the tallest building on the Muir College campus.

The 420-pound GPA is the largest pumpkin in Muir pumpkin-drop history. It will land on a plastic sheet marked off as a bingo grid. Inside the pumpkin will be an assortment of candy and also a plastic bat. Whoever predicts the square that the plastic bat lands on will win a prize.

The pumpkin's "splat" is measured each year. The largest splat in the history of the pumpkin drop occurred in 1995, when a 398-pound pumpkin spewed over 100 feet.

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