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Famed oceanographer and La Jolla resident Walter J. Munk (Ph.D., University of California, San Diego's Scripps Institution of Oceanography, '47) will receive the UCSD Alumni Association's Outstanding Alumnus of the Year Award at the annual "Awards for Excellence" dinner, 6 p.m. June 13, in the UCSD Price Center Ballroom.

Munk, a professor of geophysics in the UCSD Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, has distinguished himself in numerous scientific areas. He was presented with the American Geophysical Union's top honor in 1989, the William Bowie Medal. In 1985 he received the National Medal of Science.

Munk has published more than 200 papers on such diverse topics as internal waves of the ocean, variations in sea level, tsunamis (so-called "tidal waves"), and the rotation of the earth and its effect on the oceans.

In his early career during World War II, Munk helped develop methods of forecasting waves that facilitated placing Allied troops onto the beaches of North Africa and Normandy. Later, he showed how storms near Antarctica bring Southern California beaches periodic trains of large waves that are optimal for surfing.

In 1991, he conducted an oceanic experiment that has been called "the sound heard around the world." The research demonstrated that sound waves can be used to measure global ocean temperatures and detect the warming of the earth from a possible greenhouse effect.

Other persons who will receive the 1992 Alumni Association Awards for Excellence are John Zil M.D., for Professional Achievement; Paul Price Ph.D., Distinguished Professor of the Year Award, (UCSD Department of Biology); Viviane Warren, Distinguished Service to the University Award for a long tradition of service to UCSD, and A. Hamilton Jr. and Margaret Marston, co-recipients of the Honorary Alumni Award for a long association of exemplary service to UCSD.

Zil (UCSD School of Medicine '73, with master's and law degrees from Yale) is an academician and chief psychiatrist for the State of California, Department of Corrections. Zil has served as the national president of the American Association of Mental Health Professionals in Corrections since 1978. He was elected Fellow of the Royal Society of Health, Fellow of the American Association for Social Psychiatry, and is founding member of the Multi-Center Consortium for Research on Violence.

Price is professor of biology and chair of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, and a member of the UCSD Biology Advisory Committee to the Chair. He is renowned for his commitment to the growth and development of UCSD undergraduates.

Warren has a long tradition of service to UCSD. She is a founding chair of the UCSD Foundation's Development Committee, spearheaded the "Twenty-Five Years of the Presidency" symposium at UCSD, was

involved in the development of the Emmy-nominated series, "The Presidency, the Press and the People," and the historical symposia and public television special, "Campaigning for the Presidency."

The Marstons have given outstanding service and leadership to the university and the San Diego community. Hamilton Marston served as director of the San Diego Chamber of Commerce from 1940-'70. He was on the original UCSD Board of Overseers and later served as chair. The Marstons are actively involved with the UCSD School of Medicine, the Friends of Theatre, Friends of the UCSD Library, Friends of the International Center, and are members of the UCSD Auxiliary and Chancellor's Associates.

The winners of the UCSD Alumni Association's Outstanding Seniors Awards are Holly Foust, Revelle; Any Vanderlinden, Muir; Aldo Guerra, Third; Esther Broers, Warren; and Margarita Rubalcava, Fifth. The awards are based on excellence in leadership skills, academic performance, service to the university and community involvement.

The UCSD Alumni Association's Outstanding Athlete Awards will be presented to Scott Sargeant, Muir, and Elizabeth Tan, Warren.

Tickets for the UCSD Alumni Awards Dinner are \$40 per person and are open to the public. For ticket information and reservations call 534-3900.

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