

## **"Picnic on the Green" presented by the Friends of the Library**

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The grassy slopes around the entrance to the Central University Library at the University of California, San Diego will be covered with picnickers Friday evening, September 10.

The occasion will be the annual "Picnic on the Green," a fund-raising party for the Friends of the UCSD Library who are co-sponsors along with UC San Diego Chancellor and Mrs. William McElroy.

Guests will gather at 6 p.m. for no-host cocktails as the late afternoon sun filters through the eucalyptus trees which circle the library. The wooded setting and the imposing architecture of the library should combine to add an elegant and festive mood for those attending.

A champagne picnic supper served in individual decorated straw baskets which the picnickers may take home will begin at 7 p.m. The menu will include gazpacho, artichokes stuffed with chicken salad, ham, fruit and cheese and sundaes.

Diners may choose to sit at tables or bring blankets and eat while seated on the ground in true picnic fashion.

During the cocktail hour, music will be provided by classical guitarists Robert Barto and Omar Ramirez. Marvin Decker and the Contemporaries will perform during and following dinner for listening and dancing.

Admission for the benefit is \$15.00 per person. Tickets may be purchased by calling the UC San Diego library administration office before Tuesday, September 7, at 452-3061. All proceeds from the event will be used by the Friends to make special purchases for the library collections.

Mrs. W. Murray Smith and Mrs. A. Richard Stern are serving as hostess chairman of the event. Serving on the committee are Mrs. Hugo Lucic, table decorations, and Mrs. George E. Osborn, membership chairman. Robert Mosher will do the lighting in the trees and in the picnic area and William J. Watson, a member of the Friends board of directors, designed invitations.

The picnic will launch a county-wide drive for new members, according to Mrs. E. Laird Landon, president of the Friends. Current membership includes approximately 1,000 persons throughout San Diego County.

Founded in 1962, the Friends is the oldest community support group affiliated with UC San Diego. The organization has helped the campus libraries acquire rare and significant books which would not otherwise be purchased with library funds.

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