

## **Volunteers Association of Vaughan Aquarium-Museum will meet**

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The first of a series of monthly meetings of the Volunteers Association of the Vaughn Aquarium-Museum will be held at the University of California, San Diego's Scripps Institution of Oceanography on Friday, September 16, at 8:00 p.m. in Sumner Auditorium, located on the Scripps campus.

This first meeting will include an outline of the Association's functions by Mr. Donald Wilkie, director of the Vaughn Aquarium-Museum; a discussion of the volunteer lecturer program; viewing of Part I of the film, "The Restless Sea"; and a tour of the facilities under the direction of Mr. Carr Tuthill, curator of the museum, and Mr. Monte Kirven, museum technician.

The Association was organized last June and is open to all persons over the age of 15, interested in participating. Included among the present 50 members are high school and college students, housewives, school teachers and professors.

One of the principal functions of the group is to provide lecturers to assist with student groups visiting the Aquarium-Museum. A special training program is offered to those interested in helping in this area.

In the past year, more than 23,000 students participated in formal group visits to the Aquarium-museum. Programs were provided at seven educational levels. Each group visiting the Scripps facilities received pre-visit and post-visit lessons for classroom use, an aquarium lecture upon arrival and guidesheets for self-guided tours.

"With the added help of volunteers," Wilkie said, "the effectiveness and availability of the education program can be greatly increased. Volunteers will also assist in the bookstore, with the preparation of exhibits, collecting aquarium samples and by working with the Junior Oceanographers Corps."

Future monthly meetings will feature talks by Scripps scientists. Speakers for this Fall will include Mr. Jeffery D. Frautschy, assistant director of Scripps Institution; Dr. Carl C. Hubbs, professor of biology emeritus; Dr. Fred N. Spiess, director, Scripps' Marine Physical Laboratory; and Dr. David Jensen, research associate in cardiology.

All those interested in participating in this newly-developed Volunteers Association are urged to attend the meeting this Friday or to call Miss Mary Crawford at 453-2000, extension 1580, for further information about the program.

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