

Kenneth Hill to receive the Revelle Medal

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SAN DIEGO BUSINESSMAN RECEIVES UCSD'S REVELLE MEDAL

Kenneth E. Hill, a retired San Diego businessman, will receive the University of California, San Diego's Revelle Medal, at 4:30 p.m., Sept. 16, during a ceremony at the Central University Library.

The Revelle Medal was created to honor persons who have significantly contributed to the University of California, San Diego. It was named for Roger Revelle, former director of Scripps Institution of Oceanography and a major force in the establishment of the San Diego campus.

Hill's love of travel, history and books led to the formation of the Hill Collection of Pacific Voyages, which he and his wife, Dorothy, donated to the Mandeville Department of Special Collections in the UCSD Central Library in 1974.

Hill has contributed to UCSD in many areas. For six years he served on the UCSD Foundation board (1976-82), and is once again a member. Hill is a member of the UCSD Chancellor's Associates, and a director of the UCSD Friends of the Library, serving for six years as its president.

Although the medal can be awarded to only one individual, the award reception is being held in honor of both Hill and his wife, Dorothy Vogeley Hill. The Hills have contributed to UCSD in both of their names.

Presentors of the award will be UCSD Chancellor Richard C. Atkinson and Dr. Roy Harvey Pearce, professor of literature and chairman of the Revelle Medal Committee.

Guest speaker at the award presentation will be Dr. Robert Middlekauff, director of the Huntington Library, Art Gallery and Botanical Gardens.

During his career, Hill served as vice president of the petroleum department of Chase Manhattan Bank. In 1958, he joined Eastman Dillon, Union Securities and Company, as a partner. He later served as executive vice president and director of Blyth Eastman Paine Webber, Inc., until his retirement in 1976. Hill received his undergraduate and graduate degrees in petroleum engineering from UC Berkeley.

Only two other people have received the Revelle Medal since its inception in 1981. The first recipient, DeWitt A. Higgs, received the award in 1981 during Chancellor Atkinson's inauguration ceremony. Higgs was the only person from San Diego to have served on the University of California Board of Regents until the appointment of San Diego architect Frank Hope, in 1984.

University of California President Emeritus Clark Kerr was awarded the Reville Medal during UCSD's 25th Anniversary Convocation in October 1985. Kerr was president of the University of California from 1958 to 1967, and was UC president during the formation of the UCSD campus.

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