

## Commencement ceremonies planned

**June 9, 1978**

Five separate commencement ceremonies honoring graduates from four colleges and from graduate studies will be held Sunday, June 18, at the University of California, San Diego.

The commencement, the 12th for the San Diego campus, will honor some 1,600 undergraduate and graduate students who are eligible for degrees this spring. In addition, students who completed their work during the fall or winter quarter are also eligible to take part in the ceremonies.

The UC San Diego School of Medicine held its graduation ceremonies Sunday, June 11. A total of 88 new medical doctors received their degrees in ceremonies in front of the Basic Science Building.

Of special interest at this year's graduation will be the reunion of the Class of 1968, the first four-year graduating class in UC San Diego's history. The 10th anniversary reunion is being sponsored by The Alumni and Friends of UC San Diego. The annual Alumni Awards Banquet, honoring outstanding graduates from the current class, will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 17, in the campus student center. An alumni teaching award and the alumnus of the year award will be given at that time. An alumni barbecue, honoring the members of the Class of '68, will be held at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, June 18, on the lawn north of Urey Hall.

The Third College will lead off the commencement series on the 18th with ceremonies set for 10 a.m. on the Third College Commons. Dr. Shirley W. Thomas, assistant professor in the Department of Afro-American Studies at San Diego State University, will be the main speaker. Nwachukwu Anthony Anakwenze, a Third College biology major, will be the student speaker.

The UCSD Gospel Choir will entertain during the ceremony in which some 240 graduates are eligible to take part. As has become tradition for Third College, the graduates will be accompanied by members of their family as they march across the stage to shake hands with Provost Joseph Watson and other college officials. A reception for graduates and friends will follow the ceremony in the college cafeteria area.

John Muir College will hold ceremonies for some 500 spring graduates beginning at 11 a.m. in the Muir North Courtyard. Muir will continue its tradition of having the processional led by bagpipers under the direction of pipe master John H. Rosenberger. A welcome will be given by Provost John Stewart and commencement addresses will be given by senior Thomas Sesma, a history major, and by John Muir, portrayed by drama professor Eric Christmas. The presentation of student and faculty awards will be made by Stewart who will also give a closing following the presentation of degrees.

A reception for the Muir graduates and friends will follow the ceremony in the Muir courtyard.

Revelle College, the oldest of the four undergraduate colleges, will present degrees to some 360 graduates beginning at noon on the lawn south of the Humanities-Library Building. The traditional blowing of conch shells will open the ceremonies. Theodore Geisel, otherwise known as Dr. Seuss, author of "The Cat in the Hat" and numerous other books, will give the commencement address and will read a poem written especially for the ceremony.

Revelle Provost June Louin Tapp will give introductory remarks and will present awards for scholastic excellence and outstanding faculty awards preceding the awarding of degrees. She will be assisted in the degree ceremony by Dr. Roger Revelle, professor of political science and director emeritus of Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

The Harold Urey Prize in chemistry will be awarded to Revelle senior Robert Marcus Corn. Stephen McGirr, a biology major, William Pegler, an English and American literature major, and Michael Esser, a general literature major, have been chosen as student speakers. A reception for graduates and friends will be held on the Revelle Plaza following the ceremony.

Earl Warren College will honor its first four-year graduating class in ceremonies beginning at 12:30 p.m. on the outdoor plaza of the Central University Library. Some 238 seniors are eligible to take part. Dr. Patrick J. Ledden, a lecturer in the Department of Mathematics who served as acting provost during the formation of Warren College, has been chosen to give the commencement address. Eric G. Rodli, an economics major, will speak on behalf of the graduating class.

Following the conferring of degrees by Provost M. Lea Rudee, and San Diego Chancellor Dr. William McElroy, a Provost's Scholarship Award and two Provost's Service Awards will be presented. In addition, the Department of Economics will present the annual Seymour E. Harris Award to senior Carolyn Smith.

A reception for graduates and friends will follow the ceremony on the east patio of the library.

Graduate degrees will be presented by Chancellor McElroy and by Dr. Manuel Rotenberg, dean of graduate studies and research, at 2 p.m. on the Third College Commons. Some 300 master's and doctorate degree candidates are eligible to take part in the ceremony.

Dr. Walter Munk, UC San Diego professor of geophysics and associate director of the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, will give the main address. For the first time, doctoral candidates will be accompanied by their dissertation advisors when they come forward to be hooded.

A reception for all graduate degree holders and friends will follow the ceremony on the Third College Plaza.

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