

Third annual UCSD Open House

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The third annual UCSD Open House, featuring more displays, exhibits, programs, tours, food and fun than ever before assembled at one time on the San Diego campus of the University of California, will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 3, 1981.

The annual event is designed to give the public a fun-filled first-hand look at what's happening on the UC San Diego campus. Student led campus tours, open laboratories and dormitories, and a variety of displays have been set to give an overall picture of the prominent national role the campus plays in scientific research.

In addition, the growing importance of the social sciences, the humanities and the fine arts will also be highlighted through displays, performances and concerts.

The theme for the day is "America's Energy is Mindpower," adopted from a national program developed by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education for National Support Higher Education Day 1981.

For the first time, a student organized Renaissance Faire, featuring actors, musicians and a variety of foods and wares for sale, will be held in conjunction with Open House on the lawn south of the Revelle College Humanities-Library Building.

Visitors to the campus will be encouraged to take part in a brain wave and alpha rhythm study, make a voice print, take a political science computer quiz, become part of a mini-fitness profile study, make a "face funny," listen to a pulsar and learn Chinese paper cutting. The fascinating scientific world as seen through electron microscopes will again be available to visitors in Bonner Hall where three microscopes will be on display.

For those interested in sports there will be an ultimate Frisbee match, a grass ski demonstration, intramural softball games, a Cinco de Mayo soccer tournament and a weight reduction lecture.

Music lovers will have an opportunity to hear a variety of bands, watch jazz and modern dancing, witness the UCSD Ballet Folklorico Dance Club and a Javanese dancer at the International Center and hum along with the UCSD Wind Ensemble and the UCSD Gospel Choir.

The Conservatory of Ballet Arts Company will perform work from "The Nutcracker" and an original ballet titled "Patchwork Girl of Oz" in the Mandeville Center Auditorium. An exhibition of architectural and environmental art, titled "SITE: Buildings and Spaces," will be on display in the Mandeville Center Art Gallery.

The UCSD Medical Center's Life Flight helicopter, one of the most popular displays last year, will again be centered on the Mandeville parking lot. In addition, the UCSD Glider Club will offer a close-up, hands-on look at its gliders.

Major displays will be set up by the School of Medicine, the UCSD Medical Center, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, the International Center, the Mission Bay Aquatics Center, the campus bookstore and the various student registration and enrollment offices. Students and parents who are interested in undergraduate enrollment at UC San Diego will find the Open House an excellent opportunity to talk to advisors and counselors.

There will be no lack of food during the day. The various campus snack bars and cafeterias will be open for business as well as such popular student spots as the Ice Cream Hustler, the campus pub, the Food Co-op store, and the Revelle College Deli and Sundry Store. The International Center will feature foreign foods prepared by native cooks. In addition, several commercial food vendors will have booths on the campus.

Faculty lectures, ranging from anthropologists speaking on New Guinea and the Caribbean to communications experts talking on the political debates and children and computers, will be scheduled throughout the day.

A wide array of films will be featured at the Open House this year. The science film festival, which drew a standing room only crowd last year, will be shown twice during the day, "Understanding Space and Time," a preview sampler of a 13-part series produced by the BBC for the University of California will be featured.

The Dark Star Science Fiction Club has selected five films including "The Eagle Has Landed" and "Apollo 13: 'Hey, Houston, We've Got A Problem'" to be shown twice during the day. The anthropology department, the Sea Grant Program and the mathematics department will also show films. The math films will depict a computer graphics representation of the fourth dimension.

As has become a tradition of the UCSD Open House, free helium filled balloons will be handed out to visitors from the information booths. There will be ample parking adjacent to the Open House activities in the lots on the west side of the campus next to North Torrey Pines Road. Programs with a map of the campus and a listing of all events by categories and times will also be available at the information booths.

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