

An "Evening with Ralph Nader" to take place at UCSD on November 16

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RALPH NADER TO SPEAK AT UCSD ON NOVEMBER 16

Ralph Nader, who has championed the rights of American consumers for nearly three decades, will speak at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, in the University of California, San Diego Mandeville Auditorium. The "Evening with Ralph Nader" will include a question and answer session.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission and seniors and \$3 for students, and may be purchased at the UCSD Box Office (534-4559) or from TicketMaster outlets.

It was 1966 that Nader burst on the consumer scene when he stood before a congressional committee and disclosed that General Motors, then the world's largest corporation, had put a private investigator on his tail. The company, supposedly, had tried to discredit Nader and his book, "Unsafe at Any Speed," which attacked the safety of Chevrolet's Corvair. Instead of deterring Nader, the Corvair was taken off the road, book sales skyrocketed, and an unknown attorney became world famous.

Since then, Nader has spearheaded various consumer agencies, among them were Auto Safety Legislation, The Environmental Protection Agency, The Occupational Safety and Health Administration, The Consumer Product Safety Commission, Interest Research Group and Air Bags.

Since 1988 Nader has achieved a number of notable successes: he defeated the congressional pay raise issue by encouraging voter response; his support for insurance reform in California helped stimulate the passage of Prop. 103, and his campaign for air bags to become standard equipment in American automobiles is getting results.

Recently, his groups have launched investigations into the nuclear power industry, the U.S. Postal Service and the Educational Testing Service. His most recent book is "The Big Boys: Power and Position in American Business," co-written with William Taylor.

Nader graduated magna cum laude from Princeton University's Wilson School of Public and International Affairs in 1955. He became editor of the Harvard Law Record while earning a law degree (with distinction) from Harvard Law School. He began his practice in Hartford, Conn., in 1959.

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