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TIENENMAN SQUARE PROTEST LEADER VISITS USD

Li Lu will speak about experiences in China

Deputy Leader of the Democratic Movement in Tienenman Square will visit the University of San Diego on Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m.

Li Lu will present "Moving the Mountain - My Life in China". He will speak about the injustices imposed upon the students who non-violently protested the Chinese Communist Party in the summer of '89.

His grandfather was one of the first intellectuals to support the Communist Party and was friends with Mao Tse-tung and Chou En-lai. His father was a Soviet-trained engineer who was accused of being a Russian spy.

Lu was orphaned at an early age. With the encouragement of a teacher he moved to the top of his class. The Communist Party recognized his achievements and asked him to be a member. In 1985 he entered Nanjing University and decided to work towards reforming the Party. It was here that Lu developed an appreciation for democracy.

He arrived in Tienenman Square on April 27. He began a hunger strike on May 13 and was appointed by the student leaders deputy commander of that committee. He also became the official

press spokesman for the Democratic Reform Movement. After the attack on the students Lu went into hiding and collapsed from exhaustion. After leaving China he traveled to the United States and is now attending Columbia University.

This program is sponsored by the University of San Diego's Social Issues Committee and the Associated Students Speakers Bureau. The program is free and open to the public. For more information contact Eric Henley in the Associated Students office at: 260-4715.

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