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John Panabaker to address Laurier's spring convocation

John Panabaker, honorary chairman of The Mutual Group and a long-time champion of higher education, will address the 1990 spring convocation of Wilfrid Laurier University at the Kitchener auditorium Sunday, May 27.

As well, Panabaker and Ernie Regehr, known throughout North America and Europe for his research on disarmament issues, will each receive an honorary doctor of laws degree.

Panabaker, a founding member of the Corporate-Higher Education Forum in 1983, is a member of the Royal Society of Canada's committee which has just concluded its cross-country hearings to evaluate the state of university research in Canada. The Preston native is serving his second term as chancellor of McMaster University in Hamilton.

A co-founder of Project Ploughshares in 1976, Regehr is now research co-ordinator for the Waterloo-based organization. He is also a research associate of the Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies at Conrad Grebel College and an adjunct professor at the

University of Waterloo.

Regehr has recently been named Canada's representative to a special United Nations commission on the international arms trade.

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Note: Mr. Panabaker and Mr. Regehr will be available for interviews in the robing room (directly above the lobby and ticket-selling area of the auditorium) immediately before and after convocation. Copies of Mr. Panabaker's address and the citations will also be available.