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## Wilfrid Laurier University



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### **John E. Cleghorn to be installed as chancellor at fall convocation**

John E. Cleghorn, chairman and chief executive officer of Royal Bank of Canada, will be installed as Wilfrid Laurier University's fifth chancellor at the University's Fall Convocation on **Sunday, October 27, 1996 at the Waterloo Recreational Complex, beginning at 2:15 p.m.**

Born in Montreal and raised in Waterloo, Cleghorn's affiliation with the University began in the late 1940s as the unofficial mascot for the football team. He served on the Board of Governors during the 1980s and received an honorary degree from WLU in 1991.

The University's chancellor presides over ceremonial functions such as Convocation, and serves as a member of both the Board of Governors and Senate. The chancellor also serves as an advisor to the president.

At convocation, the University will also present an honorary Doctor of Laws degree to **Henry J. Pankratz, Deputy Chairman of Ernst & Young** and National Chair of Campaign Laurier. Joining Ernst and Young in Winnipeg in 1961, Pankratz graduated as a Chartered Accountant in 1962, receiving a gold medal for the highest marks in Manitoba. He became a partner in the firm in 1968. He has held a number of positions with the firm including postings in Vancouver and Toronto. He was named Vice Chairman in 1991 and Deputy Chairman in 1993.

Over 550 students in five faculties will receive their degrees at fall convocation. An agenda for the ceremony and biographies of Cleghorn and Pankratz are attached.