L'HARPER HAPPENINGS

470 in class of '71 to earn degrees;
Bergen Evans is commencement speaker

The college's third annual commencement will be held Sunday, June 6 at 2:00 p.m. in the Durante Ballroom of Arlington Park Towers Hotel.

Keynote speaker for the ceremonies will be Dr. Bergen Evans, professor of English at Northwestern University and author of numerous books on English usage.

Harper's class of 1971 numbers 470, the largest group to earn the associate degree here. More than 50 per cent of those receiving degrees will participate in the commencement.

Among the class of 1971, 201 are associates in arts, 69 are associates in science, and 148 are associates in applied science. In addition, 52 have completed "certificate" programs of study.

Associate in arts and associate in science degrees are conferred on community college students who have completed major field prerequisites required by four-year colleges and universities. Associate in applied science degrees are earned by students who plan to enter semi-professional or technical careers after completing specialized career programs of study. Certificates are awarded for completion of a sequence of courses in specific vocational fields.

At the June 6 commencement, Harper degrees and certificates will be conferred by the chairman of the board of trustees, Milton C. Hansen of Palatine.

U.S. Senate, Illinois House honor Harper for achieving accreditation

Harper College, during the month of May, received recognition by both the United States Senate and the Illinois House of Representatives in connection with granting of full accreditation without qualification.

High praise for the college and details of the granting of accreditation were read into the <u>Congressional Record</u> on May 17, when Senator Adlai Stevenson III (D., Ill.) addressed the United States Senate as follows:

"Mr. President, six years ago, the State of Illinois took a major step to increase the availability of higher education for Illinois citizens by enacting the Illinois Public Junior College Act of 1965. Since then our State system of community colleges has expanded and improved at an impressive rate.

"One of the most brilliant examples of what has been accomplished is the recent accreditation granted to William Rainey Harper College in Palatine, Ill. Harper, established by voter referendum in 1965, is the newest Illinois college to be so honored. In March of this year, the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools granted full accreditation without qualification to Harper.

"Mr. President, at this point I ask unanimous consent that the news release announcing the association's action be printed in the Record."

(The complete account of Harper's steps toward obtaining full accreditation appears in the Record for May 17, 1971.)

A May 4 resolution co-sponsored by Third District representatives Eugenia S. Chapman



Helping hands at Patton elementary school in Arlington Heights belong to Harper psychology student Barbara Heinz (right) of Mount Prospect who is assisting eleven-year-old Polly King with a book report. Barbara is one of 266 Harper psychology students who work as educational volunteers in local schools and special education centers. See story in adjoining column.

Summer session begins June 14; offers everything from art to zoology

Want to know what's in the stars for you? Or possibly you'd like to bone up on the latest in fly fishing techniques before going after that big one.

In either case, Harper's summer session beginning on June 14 can fill your needs.

But that's not to say that course offerings are limited to angling or star gazing. These two non-credit courses are only the more unusual among the 130 day and evening offerings slated for the college's summer session.

Course offerings embrace everything from art to zoology for undergraduate credit, from marketing to community education for graduate credit (university extension), and from yoga to astrology in the non-credit continuing education department.

The complete schedule of course offerings will be advertised in northwest suburban and north shore community newspapers the first week of June (Paddock Publications, June 2 and the Barrington Courier-Review and Pioneer Newspapers/North Shore Group on June 3). Copies (continued on other side)

(D) of Arlington Heights, David J. Regner (R) of Mount Prospect, and Eugene F. Schlickman (R) of Arlington Heights gave recognition to Harper for achieving full accreditation without qualification "in the shortest possible time." Also contained in House Resolution No. 220 was the statement that "William Rainey Harper College is the 'youngest' college in our state system of community/junior colleges to receive full accreditation since the enactment of the Illinois Public Junior College Act of 1965."

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D. Eugene Nugent Palatine Helping hands of Harper students extend to local schools and centers

Two hundred and sixty-six helping hands are being extended to the community by Harper College students.

The hands belong to 133 students involved in a volunteer program which reaches out to Little City, Countryside Center, Woodstock Children's Home, Elgin State Hospital, Elk Grove Community Services, Clearbrook Center, Operation Breadbasket, Northwest Suburban Special Education, and elementary schools in Arlington Heights and Hoffman Estates.

Because the Harper psychology department staff felt that students should have practical experience along with classroom theory, grade credit was offered for regular hours of volunteer service. In some cases, the work hours were accepted in lieu of a term paper.

The program began in September, 1970 with 30 students participating. Some have found the work so interesting that they are contributing more than the required amount of time.

One of the 40 Harper student volunteers at Little City Foundation for retarded youth is John Chidichima of Palatine. He helps with wood shop projects two days a week because he likes it. "I really do like it. I feel good about it," he states.

Paula Norton of Hoffman Estates spends two or three sessions a week at Little City, working with blind children, in the canteen, or wherever she is needed. She finds it "fulfilling," and says that she tells everybody, "If you like people, volunteer work is the thing to do."

Linda Thompson of Mount Prospect had always wanted to work with retarded children and is pleased to be receiving experience at Little City.

Volunteers at Arlington Heights school district 25 might be found in classrooms helping the teacher by carrying on a phonics game, reading a story aloud, putting up a bulletin board, or a "multitude of things," according to Ivy Hill school superintendent Stanley John. "We could use more," he points out.

Bonnie Stephens of Glenview, who plans to teach high school physical education, appreciates the experience of assisting with Ivy Hill gym classes in warmups and games.

At Mark Hopkins School in Elk Grove Village, a volunteer Harper student helps with individual boys.

Harper's social science division director Larry King explains that the operation can help the student develop a sense of community feeling and social responsibility.

It is hoped by the psychology faculty that the volunteer program can be extended to eventually include students other than those enrolled in psychology classes.

Approve \$11,090 dental grant

The Bureau of Health Professions, National Institutes of Health, recently approved a basic improvement grant in the amount of \$11,090.00 for Harper's dental hygiene program.

The application was submitted last November by the dental hygiene program's supervising dentist Dr. Frank A. Vandever, D.D.S., for the purpose of achieving innovative objectives in curriculum revision.

Police and firemen place Harper on their professional training agenda

Community policemen become part of the Harper campus community when they add to their police training by attending classes in the college's law enforcement program.

Local firemen also are a part of the Harper College student body, but they need not put a foot on campus to attend classes in fire science. They are all held in fire stations at Elk Grove Village, Mount Prospect, and Rolling Meadows.

The fire science program is tailored to suit the needs of the firemen -- all courses were chosen by an advisory committee made up of area fire chiefs.

Community municipalities have encouraged fire science education at Harper by paying their firemen's tuition fees when courses are successfully completed.

Although college classes have not been required by most area fire departments, some are making this a rule for new firemen.

Some new police cadets in area law enforcement departments are now required to take Harper courses as part of their training.

Other policemen receive the cooperation of their

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of the summer schedule will also be available
through June 14 from the Harper admissions
office at Algonquin and Roselle Roads, telephone
359-4200.

Registration for non-credit and graduate courses is now open and will continue through June 25 as a number of these courses begin as late as the last week of June. Enrollment in a non-credit course requires only the prospective student's name, address, telephone, and social security number.

Registration for undergraduate day and evening credit courses will be held at the campus on June 10 and 11. Classes begin June 14.

Prospective students for credit courses should telephone or visit the college admissions office as soon as possible to obtain the necessary forms for admission.

Tuition is \$10.00 per credit hour for residents of Harper district 512. Fees for non-credit courses range from \$10.00 to \$20.00 for district residents. Non-residents of the Harper district may enroll at the resident rate for all credit courses and many non-credit courses providing they make the necessary arrangements with their local high school district for "charge-back" tuition. Application forms are available in the admissions office.



Athlete of the Year at Harper is Robert Bachus (left) of Elk Grove Village who received the Harbinger student newspaper award for allaround excellence in sports during the 1971 student awards dinner May 21. Bob was the first track man from Harper to compete nationally and is the only man in the school's history to win six letters in varsity sports. Making the award is Ron Duenn, Harbinger sports editor.

departments by work shift adjustments to allow attendance at Harper. Loans, grants, and veterans' benefits are available to qualified applicants for law enforcement education.

Policemen and other students have opportunities to exchange ideas and opinions in American government classes, which are included in the law enforcement program.

Many policemen have an understanding of local government operations, which can be of help in the classroom.

Political science instructor Miss Angela D'Aversa says, "Experienced policemen bring practicality and more total life experience to the classroom, as do other mature students."

But this does not mean that all policemen present the same opinions. Miss D'Aversa stressed that each policeman is an individual, just as a person in any other occupation.

"When you realize that there are 420,000 policemen in the United States," says Harper law enforcement coordinator Paul Moore, "You know that this must include many types of persons."

The job of law enforcement has become exceedingly more complicated now with more complex laws and demands by the public for increased police protection and services.

In 1969, just one four-year college and 11 two-year institutions in Illinois offered law enforcement programs. By 1970, this number had almost tripled to include three four-year colleges and 26 two-year institutions.

Courses given at Harper to help the law enforcement officer with his job include traffic administration, criminal law, vice and drug control, industrial security administration, and prevention and procedures of juvenile delinquency.

WORTHY OF NOTE

Harper wrestling coach Ron Bessemer officiated at the Chattanooga, Tennessee wrestling matches between the United States and Russia. Mr. Bessemer is active in the National Federation of Wrestling.

Dr. Guerin Fischer, dean of guidance, has been appointed to serve a three-year term as a member of the Commission on Personnel of the 51-year-old American Association of Junior Colleges. He took office at the conclusion of the annual AAJC convention in Washington, D.C.

The Northwest Mental Health Association recently elected William Nelson, counselor in the college's business division, to its board of directors.

There Is No "Away" is the title of Mrs. Joan Roloff's new book recently published by the Glencoe Press. Mrs. Roloff, instructor in English at Harper, co-authored the book with Professor Robert Wylder of California State College/Los Angeles. The book includes readings and language activities on ecology and is for use in English as well as ecology and sociology courses. Last year, Mrs. Roloff's book Encounter was published and is used as a reader on social problems for English courses. It was also published by Glencoe Press.

Dr. Robert E. Lahti, Harper's president, was elected to the executive committee of the National Association of Accrediting, Inc. at the association's spring meeting in Chicago. He will serve a one-year term. The major purpose of the NAA is to study and evaluate accrediting practices with a view to establishing satisfactory standards, procedures, and principles of accrediting. Membership includes 1,396 public and private institutions of higher education in the United States.

Michael Ostrowski, associate professor of psychology, has written an article entitled "A Practical Approach to the Group Education Process" which will appear in a forthcoming issue of the Community College Social Science Quarterly.

Theodore J. Meyers recently joined the administrative staff of Harper College in the position of director of accounting systems.

He comes to Harper with a background of experience in newly-formed institutions of higher learning.

Mr. Meyers' responsibilities at Harper will include disbursements, bookkeeping, preparation of financial reports, and coordination of business office efforts to computerize management systems.

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