

Geneseo Compass

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Donald Trasher, assistant professor and chairman of the mathematics department, is being appointed by the President of the Mathematical Association of America as Public Information Representative from the Seaway Section for a three year term 1984-1987.

Libert Palmer, Howard Pzena, Chi-Ming Wang, Donald Trasher, Virginia Trasher and Stephen West of the Mathematics Department attended the spring meetings of the Seaway Section of the Mathematical Association of America held at Broome Community College, Binghamton, New York on April 6 and 7. At the meeting, Donald Trasher was elected to a third three year term as Secretary-Treasurer of the section.

Rotary Club has scholarship

The Geneseo Rotary Club will award a \$500 scholarship to a current student at SUNY Geneseo who is a graduate of either Geneseo or York High Schools.

This marks the third straight year the Geneseo Rotary has made such a scholarship award, according to Club resident Dennis Dawson.

The Rotary Club Scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic achievement, contributions to the life of the College and financial need. The scholarship will be for the Fall of 1984 and is intended to help the recipient pay tuition and other college fees at SUNY Geneseo.

Applications for the Geneseo Rotary Club Scholarship may be obtained in the Office of Communications and Development, 201 Erwin, and must be submitted by Friday, April 27.

SCHOLARS

\$100 HAL STARBUCK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Robin Mara Lupatkin, 12 Scott Dr., Nithtown, a junior speech pathology and radiology major with a 3.73 GPA. Robin was a Geneseo Alumni Fellow the past two years and

Harding will tell grads to 'Live Your Own Life'

By DAN HURLEY

Several years have gone by since a Geneseo Commencement has been a "family affair." Not since 1980 when then-new President Edward B. Jakubauskas gave the address has there been a "local" speaker.

In the last three years, graduates have heard the late singer/songwriter/world hunger activist Harry Chapin, deposed television actor Robert Walden and self improvement and body language expert Jayne Lybrand.

The graduation ceremony "returns" to the campus May 12 for the College's 118th Commencement Exercises in the Wilson Ice Arena when Walter Harding, Professor Emeritus of English and Distinguished University Professor delivers the Commencement Address, entitled "Live Your Own Life."

Harding will be on the dias for another reason when the ceremony begins at 10 o'clock that morning as he will be accepting an Honorary Doctor of Letters from the State University of New York — the first

SUNY faculty member to be so honored. Dr. Jakubauskas will present the degree to Dr. Harding, who retired from the Geneseo faculty on Jan. 1, 1983 after a 44-year career as a teacher and scholar.

It will be only the second honorary degree given by the College. Former United Nations Ambassador James J. "Jerry" Wadsworth, who died this spring, received a Doctor of Laws at the 1982 Commencement ceremony.

"As an eminent scholar whose work has greatly enriched the study of Henry David Thoreau, Walter Harding is a truly worthy recipient of this honor," said Dr. Jakubauskas. "His selection reflects well on Dr. Harding and the College and I know his many colleagues at Geneseo are proud he will be recognized in this way."

Students who complete their graduation requirements last December, this May and next August are eligible to participate in the Commencement Exercises. Director of Records, John Crabbe, says he expects 1,050 students to be eligible for bachelor's degrees while Nancy Baker of the Graduate Office says that 75

students have filed graduation forms for master's degrees.

Dr. Jakubauskas will continue his five-year old custom of greeting each graduate as they cross the stage. In addition, the Geneseo Alumni Association will provide a special, souvenir print by Geneseo artist Donna Kelsey to each member of the graduating class.

R. Stanley Rutherford, associate professor and chairman of the speech communication department and a Geneseo faculty member for the past 31 years, will be the faculty marshall for the event.

A Brass Quintet will provide music for the ceremony. Members of the quintet include Cherry Beauregard, James Hynes, Robert Kalwas, John Lillard and George Osborn.

The Alumni Carillon, put into service late last summer, will play a number of special selections on Commencement Day, including a possible tape of the Alma Mater.

Joining the many awards listed in the Commencement program will be a special award in memory of Calvin Israel, a member of the Geneseo English faculty who passed away earlier this year. The award will be presented to the outstanding graduate in the humanities as selected by a faculty committee.

There will be two all-college receptions in conjunction with the ceremony. The annual Graduation Breakfast will be held from 7-9 p.m. in the Mary Jemison Dining Hall. Tickets are \$4.50 and may be purchased at the door or before with cash or a meal card.

Immediately after the ceremony, there will be a reception for all graduates and parents on the College Union Patio (Ballroom in case of rain). Separate areas for individual departments will be designated.



R. Stanley Rutherford will once again serve as faculty marshall.



Track construction will begin in late summer/early Fall

Geneseo's growing track and field

the final stages of "cleaning up the