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Kraft

DAYTON, Ohio, May 26, 1970 --- Dr. David C. Kraft, Associate Professor of Civil Engineering and Engineering Mechanics, is the 1970 Professor of the Year at the University of Dayton. The selection was made by a committee of his peers within the faculty and with the approval of Charles Lees, S.M., University Provost, and Rev. Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., University President.

Dr. Kraft, who has been with the University since August, 1965, received the First Award at the annual President's Recognition Reception in the Ballroom of the John F. Kennedy Union.

Two other professors were honored as Professor of the Year with the second and third award. Dr. James M. Ferrigno, Chairman, Department of Languages, was selected as the Second Award winner while Dr. Eugene R. August, Associate Professor of English, received the Third Award.

The trio were honored along with 69 other members of the University of Dayton community. Thirty-one were honored through faculty promotion, eight others were given special appointments and nine were recognized for special recognition for community activities on the national level. Twenty-five were recognized as the recipients for scholarly grants from local, state and national organizations.

Dr. Kraft, who is a 1959 graduate of the University of Dayton, was recognized for his well-balanced approach to his scholarly activities in teaching, research and extracurricular programs. Only 32 years old, Dr. Kraft has been the recipient of \$233,000 in grants which have enhanced the educational program in the School of Engineering and the Research Institute.

He is considered one of the top engineers in the country in soil mechanics and has been a consultant in his field for several business concerns, governmental and private agencies. He recently served as one of 30 specialist advisors at a conference on "The Systems Approach To Airfield Pavements." He has published 15 articles in engineering journals throughout the world in the past five years.

A master's graduate at the University of Notre Dame who received his doctorate at Ohio State University, Dr. Kraft recently received a national grant for his three-year competitive proposal for research in determining the capability of an unprepared airfield runway to support aircraft landing and takeoff operations.

He recently was given a top rating by School of Engineering students who were evaluating professors in that school. He has been Chairman of the City of Dayton Engineers Week program and is treasurer, Dayton Section of American Society of Civil Engineers. He also has been an officer in the Dayton Section of the Ohio Society of Professional Engineers and belongs to the International Society of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineers.

In the School of Engineering, he was elected by his fellow faculty as a charter member to the University's Academic Senate in April, 1969, and is a member of the School's Graduate School Committee, Honors Committee and Mathematics Requirements Committee. He also is faculty advisor for the U.D. Student Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers and is a member of Sigma Xi, National Science Honor Society, and Delta Epsilon Sigma, National Scholastic Honor Society.

He also serves as moderator for the School of Engineering students who participate in the annual Homecoming festivities each fall.

Dr. Ferrigno, a graduate of Boston University for his bachelor and doctoral work and the University of Rome for his master's degree, has been with the University since 1963. He is co-author of four books which represent an official project of the Modern Language Association, the most prestigious learned society in his field.

He has been a member and an officer in several local, national and international organizations for the languages. He was a visiting professor at the University of Costa Rica in the 1961-62 school year and has been active as a consultant. He has served on many UD academic committees.

His summer languages institute has been given one of the highest ratings for summer institutes by the United States Office of Education. His well-balanced approach to education as a scholar, teacher and administrator has established for him a reputation as one of the foremost educators in his field internationally. He is very active in the International Education program at the University of Dayton and has been instrumental in creating liaisons with many foreign institutions.

Dr. August, who has been with the University of Dayton since 1966, has established an outstanding record as a professor and research scholar at the University. In recent times he has published four articles in Publications of the Modern Language Association (P.M.L.A.) and has edited two essays by John Stuart Mill and Thomas Carlyle for a volume to be published this Spring by Appleton-Century-Crofts.

Professor Samuel H. Beer of Harvard University has said of Dr. August: "I can only praise his style. It is lucid, engaging and compact. He has a nice way of writing a paragraph.

Dr. August has his bachelor's degree in English from Rutgers University, his master's from the University of Connecticut, and his doctoral from the University of Pittsburgh.

Others honored were:

FACULTY PROMOTIONS

Associate Professor to Full Professor

Dr. Joseph J. Cooney, Department of Biology
Dr. Joseph J. Kepes, Department of Physics
Dr. Howard E. Smith, Department of Mechanical Engineering
Dr. Robert A. Thomson, Department of Civil Engineering
Dr. Esther R. Walden, Department of Business Management

Assistant Professor to Associate Professor

Dr. Praphulla K. Bajpai, Department of Biology
Dr. James A. Buckenmyer, Department of Business Management
Dr. Charles R. Cothorn, Department of Physics
Mr. John E. Ellis, Jr., Department of Accounting
Dr. Hani I. Fakhouri, Department of Sociology
Dr. Helen B. Frye, Department of Elementary Education
Mr. F. Anthony Macklin, Department of English
Dr. Eugene K. Moulin, Department of Counselor Education
Dr. H. James Nersoyan, Department of Philosophy
Dr. Joseph E. Patrouch, Department of English
Dr. Gad Soffer, Department of History
Mr. Jerry D. Strange, Department, Service-Technical Institute

Instructor to Assistant Professor

Mr. V. Balachandran, Department of Industrial Engineering
Miss Barbara V. Balata, Department of Physical and Health Education
Brother A. Joseph Barrish, S.M., Department of Fine Arts
Mr. Larry L. Cathell, Department of Physical and Health Education
Mr. James P. Farrelly, Department of English
Mrs. Carolyn Faust, Department of Music
Mr. Frederick J. Kretzler, Department of Mechanical Engineering-Technology
Mr. G. William Lawless, Department of Chemical Engineering-Technology

Miss Carole L. Roberts, Department of Physical and Health Education
Mr. Victor M. Rooney, Department of Electronic Engineering Technology
Sister Catherine Rudolph, OSF, Curriculum Materials Center
Mr. Robert F. Weiss, Department of Civil Engineering
Dr. Florence I. Wolff, Department of Communication Arts

Professor Emeritus

Mr. Thaddeus G. Csaky, Department of Mechanical Engineering

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Dr. Rocco M. Donatelli, Associate Dean, Humanities
Reverend Theodore A. Koehler, S.M., Director, Marian Library
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RETIREES

Mrs. Martha V. Bernhard, Department of Home Economics
Mr. Morris J. Kreider, Department of Business Management
Dr. Maurice R. Reichard, Department of Music

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Dr. Louis I. Boehman, Special Award, Society of Automotive Engineers
Dr. Thomas C. Campanelle, President, National Catholic President-elect, Guidance Conference.
Dr. Max Densmore, International Director and National Co-Chairman Educational Committee of Association of Industrial Advertisers
Mr. George F. Driscoll, Vice President, American Road Builder's Association Educational Division
Mr. Robert E. Kriegbaum, Editor, Journal of Data Reduction, on Board of Directors, Society of Educators
Dr. Mary Jo Huth, elected to Executive Council, American Catholic Sociological Society
Dr. Maurice R. Reichard, Honorary Doctorate of Music, University of Dayton
Mr. Nicholas A. Engler, American Meteorological Society's Committee of Atmospheric Measurements.
Mrs. Suzanne D. Palumbo, First Award, given by the Association of Departments of English and the Modern Language Association of America

GRANT RECIPIENTS

Dr. Praphulla K. Bajpai, United States Atomic Energy Commission
Dr. Charles J. Chantell, National Science Foundation
Dr. Charles R. Cothorn, National Science Foundation, Department of Interior
Dr. Jack G. Crouch, National Science Foundation, United States Air Force
Dr. Joseph E. Davison, United States Air Force
Dr. Raymond L. Fitz, S.M., National Science Foundation, City of Dayton
Dr. Albert V. Fratini, Research Corporation
Dr. Donald R. Geiger, S.M., United States Atomic Energy Commission
Mr. Robert L. Hildreth, Department of Justice
Dr. Oscar C. Jaffee, National Heart Institute
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