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DAYTON, Ohio, May 12, 1971 --- The University of Dayton Board of Trustees, organized last November as the University's top governing board, will reach its maximum membership Friday after its annual meeting. The election of seven new members and the re-election of six others brings the Board membership to 30.

In so doing, three precedents will be set. The election of Mrs. Virginia W. Kettering, wife of the late General Motors executive, Eugene Kettering, and Mrs. Betty Rogge Morse, 1944 UD graduate and local television personality, are the first women on a UD Board of Trustees. Laymen have served on other UD boards since the 1920s.

The increase in membership also admits men in their early 30s and late 20s to the Board for the first time. Brother James Heft, S.M., 28, who has been studying for his doctoral degree at the University of Toronto, represents the Society of Mary, and Stanley Z. Greenberg, 32, UD graduate of 1962, is an Alumni representative.

Minority representation is established with the appointment of George C. Cooper, Director of Human Resources, City of Dayton, who will be able to relate the University to the black population in the area.

Two longtime educators round out the new appointments--Dr. Norman P. Auburn, retiring President of the University of Akron, and Reverend Louis J. Blume, S.M., President of St. Mary's University, San Antonio, Texas.

Reappointed to the Board for three year terms were Robert Barth, President, First National Bank, Dayton; Norman Gebhart, General Manager, Delco Moraine Products Division, General Motors; Robert Margolis, President, Metropolitan Clothing Company; H. Talbott Mead, President, Mead Investment Company and current Chairman of the UD Board; Louis Wozar, President, Tait Manufacturing Company; and Brother William Bruggeman, S.M., Treasurer, Cincinnati Province, Society of Mary.

The 13 members were recommended by the Committee on Trustees, nominated by the Board of Trustees, and elected by the Members of the University of Dayton Corporation, composed of Marianists of the Province of Cincinnati and the three officers of the Board of Trustees.

Ten other members of the Board whose terms expire in 1972 are Brother Norbert Brockman, S.M., Executive Assistant for Education, Cincinnati Province, Society of Mary; Eugene Mayl, Attorney, Murphy & Mayl Law Firm; Kenneth L. Morse, retired President, Standard Register Company; Robert S. Oelman, Chairman of the Board, National Cash Register Company; Louis Polk, retired Chairman of the Board, Sheffield Corporation; Walter A. Reiling, M.D., Dayton Surgeon and Vice Chairman of the Board; Brother Paul Sibbing, S.M., Assistant Superintendent of

Schools, Diocese of Columbus; James M. Stuart Sr., retired Chairman of the Board, Dayton Power & Light Company; David Rike, Chairman, Executive Committee, Rike's Department Store; and George Sheer, retired President, McCall Corporation.

Those whose terms end in 1973 are Edwin G. Becker, Becker, Loeb, & Becker Law Firm, Cincinnati; E. Bartlett Brooks, President, Wayne Colorplate Company; Rev. William Ferree, S.M., Provincial, Cincinnati Province, Society of Mary; Samuel L. Finn, Attorney, Estabrook, Finn & McKee; Huber Gillaugh, retired President, Third National Bank; Carroll A. Hochwalt, President and Director, St. Louis Research Council, and Jesse Philips, President, Philips Industries Inc.

In making the announcement of the appointments, Raymond A. Roesch, S.M., President of the University and ex-officio member and Secretary of the Board, pointed to the versatility sought within the membership.

"The seven new members," he said, "provide wider representation and insight for the Board. The addition of women, longtime educators, members of minority groups and youth will complement the current Board members who traditionally have represented successful business and professional men.

"I feel this diversification will bring the University of Dayton close to the clientele which it serves," he continued. "When the Society of Mary wished to relate the University more effectively to the community, it committed itself to the concept of involving many different people in the University's operation. We feel that Board membership for the 1971-72 school year is a step in that direction."

The new appointments will become effective at the close of the annual meeting Friday, May 14. Elections of officers will also be held at the meeting.

Retiring from the Board is Brother John J. Jansen, S.M., the new President of Bergamo, who has served for ten years as a Trustee on the former all-Marianist Board and the new legal Board.

"We are all most grateful to Brother Jansen for his dedicated service to the University and we know we will be able to call on him in the future," Father Roesch emphasized.

Background of the seven new members follows:

Mrs. Virginia Kettering, who holds an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from the University of Dayton, has devoted much of her life to the relief of human suffering. She was awarded her honorary degree in 1966 for her "leadership and generosity in the field of human relations." She and her husband contributed time, effort and money to the Hinsdale, Illinois, Hospital and its contagious diseases section. When a polio outbreak occurred in that town, Mrs. Kettering supervised the equipping and staffing of an entire floor for the stricken. She organized work for the women of the community who were aiding the nursing staff during the emergency.

Mrs. Kettering has continued her interest in health facilities through the local Charles F. Kettering Memorial Hospital. She also is on the Board of Directors of Winters Bank and serves the Dayton Art Institute, Philharmonic, Women's Club, YWCA, World Service Council in New York, and the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

Mrs. Betty Rogge Morse has a Bachelor of Science degree in education from UD. Her WHIO-TV (Channel 7) Show has won acclaim as a most successful local

program. Her popularity proves itself in numerous speaking engagements and other public appearances. Her husband, Mr. Wayne Morse, owns a local advertising agency. They have been married since 1956 and have two children.

George C. Cooper received his B.S. degree from Hampton Institute and his Master's degree in personnel administration from Columbia University. Supplemental graduate study was added in vocational education at Ohio State University. He served with the City of Dayton as a housing inspector, planner and expeditor in the late 1950s and early 1960s. He gained campus experience as Special Educational Services director at Antioch College from 1964 through 1970. His current activities and interests encompass welfare, housing, narcotics, and human relations among others. He is married to the former Margaret Gillespie of Hamilton, Ohio, and they have one married daughter.

James Heft, S.M., born in Cleveland, joined the Society of Mary in 1962. He received two bachelor degrees from the University of Dayton in philosophy and education in 1966 and earned a Master's degree in philosophy from the University of Toronto in 1970. Before starting his graduate study, Brother Heft served for two years as director of the Youth House at Bergamo on the University's East Campus. A magna cum laude graduate of UD, he has been a frequent author and lecturer on youth problems and is in frequent demand as a director of retreats for young people.

Stanley Z. Greenberg, a partner in the law firm of Iddings, Jeffrey and Donnelly, received a Bachelor's degree in business from the University of Dayton. He was awarded his Juris Doctor from the University of Cincinnati in 1965 and then served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam for a year, winning the Bronze Star. As a UD student he was a basketball letter winner for three years and was President of the Student Council for a year. He also was listed in the Top Twenty Students and won the Top ROTC Cadet Award for two years. He was President of the University of Cincinnati College of Law Bar Association. Born and raised in Philadelphia, Greenberg is married to the former Stanlee Scott of Dayton and they have two children.

Dr. Norman P. Auburn is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and served that school as a professor and Dean of the Evening College. He served one year, 1949, as acting President of UC. He has an Honorary Doctor of Law degree and, in 1955, served as an advisor to the President's Committee on Education at the White House. For many years, he served as Executive Secretary of the Association of Urban Universities and is considered as a national authority in town-gown relationships. He has been President of Akron since 1951 and is retiring from this position in August, 1971.

Rev. Louis Blume, S.M., is a 1934 graduate of the University of Dayton. He received his Master's degree from Catholic University of America in 1941 and his doctoral degree in sacred theology from the Gregorianum in Rome. He has served two terms as President of St. Mary's University. The first was from 1947 to 1953 and the second from 1963 to the present. He was President of Chaminade College Preparatory School in St. Louis, 1954-61, and the director and founder of Villa St. Jean, International School, Fribourg, Switzerland. He has served on the Commissioner's Study for Private Higher Education in Texas.