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UD Special Gifts Campaign Leadership Announced

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DAYTON, Ohio, May 24, 1985 -- Peter H. Kuntz, general chairman of The Campaign for the University of Dayton today announced the UD Dayton Special Gifts Campaign program and leadership group. Headed by alumnus Richard F. Beach, director of public affairs of the NCR Corporation, this phase of UD's $38 million campaign is designed to solicit gifts from the Dayton business community in the range of $10,000 to $100,000 payable over a five year period of time.

Roy N. Parsons, UD director of development, believes that "this phase of the campaign is most important. Our success in Dayton will demonstrate the broad base of local support for UD, that will assist the regional campaigns for UD in other areas of the country."

The one month Dayton effort will provide opportunities for prospective corporate donors to visit the UD campus to talk with faculty and staff about specific aspects of the University and the Campaign.

The leadership team for the Dayton Special Gifts Campaign is comprised of individuals who represent a cross-section of business leaders, UD alumni, and parents from Dayton. They are: Clarence J. Bittner (Randolph Township) executive vice president and secretary of Shook, Inc.; Eugene J. Casella (Oakwood) vice president, Mead-Adam & Company, Inc.; Thomas J. Danis, (Dayton) president, Danis Industries Corporation; J. Norman Eckstein, Jr. (Oakwood) broker, Daniel Brower Insurance Agency; William A. Harrell (Oakwood) president, The Central Trust Company; James M. Miller (Springfield) president/partner, M-V Realty; James O. Payne (Washington Township) group vice president, L.M. Berry & Company; and John L. Schaefer (Kettering) president and chairman of the board, The Specialty Papers Company.

Additional solicitors include: Robert Chelle (Centerville), Joseph F. Connelly (Oakwood), Vincent Corrado (Madison Township), Ronald Deger (Centerville), Paul R. Finke (Moraine), Timothy Foley, (Kettering), Richard Gump (Washington Township), James Hayes (Dayton), Lawrence Hayes (Oakwood), Charles S. Helldoerfer (Dayton), John Heron (Kettering), Edward F. Jauch (Kettering), Jerome B. McAvoy
(Moraine), David Mahle (Xenia), Ronald Niekamp (Centerville), Richard O'Brien (Kettering), Donald L. Phillips (Washington Township), Richard Roesch (Kettering), Fred Schantz (Oakwood), George B. Shaw (Oakwood), Donald J. Trentman (Madison Township), Thomas Van Hecke (Kettering), John Westerheide (Washington Township), and Donald Zimmer (Centerville).

The Campaign for the University of Dayton is a five year campaign with a total goal of $38 million. To date, the campaign has received $23.6 million in gifts and pledges.

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