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Commemoration Dinner for Dean, School of Engineering

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DAYTON, Ohio, November 21, 1977 --- A dinner will be held in honor of David C. Kraft, Dean of the University of Dayton School of Engineering to commemorate his five-year term as dean.

The dinner, which is open to the public, will be held on Tuesday, December 6 at 6 p.m. in the University of Dayton Kennedy Union Ballroom. Tickets are $4.50 for students and $5 for all others. They can be purchased through the secretary of the dean's office, Kettering Labs, Room 201, through December 1. The dinner is being sponsored by the Joint Council of Engineers and the students in the School of Engineering.

Dean Kraft was graduated from UD in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. He received his master's degree from the University of Notre Dame and his doctorate from Ohio State. He joined the UD engineering faculty in 1965 as an assistant professor.

Kraft, who served as assistant dean from 1970-72 and dean since May, 1972, considers the 80 per cent increase in engineering enrollment since 1973 as the most significant achievement of his tenure.

Last spring, Kraft announced that he will continue to serve as dean until his replacement is found and then return to teach within the department of civil engineering.

The Search Committee has announced that they are optimistic they will be able to hire Kraft's replacement by January 1, 1978.