



GEORGE KURAJIAN

Resident consults on U.S. projects

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getting a job whereas a man may have to wait a little longer."

U-M Dearborn itself has a female assistant professor in engineering and two female instructors in systems engineering.

In his estimation, U-M has had "the best increase in engineering students in the U.S." since it started accepting freshmen and sophomore students. Originally, he explained, the Dearborn extension was strictly for seniors and graduate students.

In 1971, it started accepting underclassmen and now has about 1,000 students in mechanical, electrical and industrial and systems engineering.

Kurajian is also chairperson of the reliability, stress analysis and failure prevention committee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The most important function of his committee is the review of technical papers submitted to the society. Secondly, it sponsors sessions within present annual conferences, but is beginning to develop conferences on its own.

THE MOST IMPORTANT points in stress analysis are strength and stiffness, although cost, appearance, dura-

bility and safety are also checked.

"It's not enough for a part to be strong enough, but it must also have a specific degree of stiffness."

If the structural design of an airplane wing didn't allow for a certain amount of "flap," it would break from the fuselage, regardless of strength.

"Take the torsion bar of an auto. You want it strong, yet you want a degree of stiffness that's low enough to give you a comfortable ride."

"If you go over a bump, you might be oscillating for the next mile, if you don't have the flexibility."

Appearance is important, too.

"A chandelier in a dining room doesn't need the heavy chain used most often to suspend it. But the ladies wouldn't like just a piece of piano wire holding it up."

Kurajian belongs to the American Society for Engineering Education, the Society for Experimental Stress Analysis, and three honors societies: Tau Beta Pi, Pi Tau Sigma and Blue Key.

He is a Michigan registered professional engineer listed in "Who's Who in the Midwest," "American Men and Women in Science," "Who's Who in American Education" and "Who's Who in Michigan."

Mrs. Zervos will head Holy Cross auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church has elected officers for the coming year.

Mrs. Peter E. Zervos, Southfield, is president; Mrs. William Hiotaky, Birmingham, vice president; Mrs. Nick Madias, Southfield, recording secretary; Mrs. James Hokkanen, Farm-

ington Hills, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Peter E. Georgeson, Franklin, treasurer.

Elected to the board are: Mrs. John Petropoulos of West Bloomfield; Mrs. James C. Madias, Farmington Hills; Mrs. Sam Kapan, Southfield; Mrs. William Skouras, Southfield; Mrs. George

Kourtakis, Farmington; and Mrs. John Matheson, Detroit.

Traditionally, the women's group is a mainstay of the Greek Orthodox parish. They provide moral as well as financial assistance whenever possible.

The building of the Holy Cross church on Middle Belt Road in Farm-

ington Hills is now under way. The congregation hopes to hold its first service under the new roof in September.

Auxiliary members are at work on a bazaar to be held at the Franklin Community Church, Thursday and Friday, Sept. 11 and 12.

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