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I am enclosing an article for publication about the chartering of the Kansas City section of the Society of Women Engineers. If you have questions, please call me at 816-242-2606 (business) or 816-356-1929 (home) or Cheri Leigh at 816-333-3400, extension 1228 (business.)

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The national Society of Women Engineers (SWE) recently granted a charter to a local professional organization to become the Kansas City section of the Society. The new section, originally founded in 1978 as the Women Engineers of Kansas City, is dedicated to supporting and developing the growing number of women in the Kansas City area who are engineering students and professionals.

The charter dinner, held at the Phillips House Hotel on April 23, featured Paula Wells, vice-president of the National Society of Professional Engineers, as guest speaker. Her topic, "Here's Where We've Come, Where are We Going?", urged female professionals to develop their skills of leading, educating, and cooperating with others in their communities as well as in their work.

Le Earl Bryant, second vice-president of SWE, presented the charter to the Kansas City section and Jo Ann Collins, councilwoman of Kansas City, Missouri, read a welcoming proclamation from Mayor Richard L. Berkley. Current section president Cheri Leigh accepted the proclamation and the charter. Lynn Bertuglia, section representative, acted as master of ceremonies. The closing benediction was offered by Dayna Justus, section vice-president.

Also present, in addition to SWE-KC members, were representatives from sponsoring businesses and from local sections of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Missouri Society of Profes-

sional Engineers, American Society of Fire Protection Engineers, Kansas Engineering Society, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers, American Nuclear Society, and the Engineer's Club of Kansas City. Companies supporting the new section include AT&T, Bendix, Black & Veatch, Burns & McDonnell, Franklin Associates, Ltd., General Motors, The Marley Co., Mobay Chemical, Proctor & Gamble, and Westinghouse Electric.

SWE-KC meets monthly and plans a variety of technical, professional, and informal activities. For information, please call Cheri Leigh at 816-333-3400.