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Three to receive top honor from University of Kansas School of Engineering

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On Thursday, May 3, Linda Zarda Cook of The Hague, Netherlands; retired Rear Adm. Gene Kendall of Fernandina Beach, Fla.; and Kenneth Vaughn of Prairie Village will receive the Distinguished Engineering Service Award. The award was created by the KU School of Engineering Advisory Board in 1980 to honor engineering alumni, or engineers who've maintained a close association with the school, for their outstanding contributions to the theories and practices of engineering research and development in new fields of engineering or direction of an organization that has made exceptional contributions in design, production and development.

"These three engineers have had an extraordinary impact on the people of the world," said Stuart R. Bell, dean of the KU School of Engineering. "Linda Cook has risen through the ranks to one of the top positions at Royal Dutch Shell and has been a champion for sustainable development. During his highly decorated military career, Gene Kendall provided important technical contributions as well as played an integral role in the training of future naval leaders. Equally as significant are the contributions of Ken Vaughn, the retired principal and president of Larkin and Associates of Kansas City, Mo. A true leader in every sense of the word, Ken has shared his expertise with

Cook, Kendall and Vaughn will each received a bronze sculpture acknowledging the achievement. Portraits of the honorees and highlights of their professional accomplishments also will become part of the permanent awards display in Eaton Hall, home of the School of Engineering.

"These alumni are outstanding role models of personal and professional integrity for our students to emulate," said Bell.

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