



LAWRENCE L. CHRISTMAN of Farmington Hills has been appointed vice-president of the credit administration department at the National Bank of Detroit. In his 10 years with NBD, he has worked as a commercial loan manager. He is a graduate of Indiana University with a degree in finance. Christman is also a member of Robert Morris Associates, the National Association of Credit Management and the Indiana Alumni Association.

McDonald studies criminal justice

An Oakland County Commissioner from Farmington Hills has been appointed to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Criminal Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee. Jack McDonald, 39, a third-term commissioner, was appointed by NACo President Charlotte Williams of Genesee County last month.

NACo's 12 steering committees form the policy-making arm of county government. Each committee is composed of 35 county officials who meet during the year to study issues critical to local government.

The advisory committee will study issues like search and seizure, overcrowded dockets and bail bond laws. If their recommendations are approved, they become part of the American County Platform, NACo's official policy document.

This year, the committee will focus on federal legislation concerning the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, juvenile justice programs and domestic violence.

"I believe the first time we'll meet will be next February or March during the annual conference in Washington, D.C.," McDonald said. "I think overcrowded dockets is the biggest problem with the criminal justice system now."

McDonald's experience includes three years as an assistant Oakland County prosecutor. Since 1973, he has been a partner in the Faintuck, Swedel, Wolfgram, McDonald and Zipsel law firm.

McDonald is a graduate of the University of Detroit, Wayne State University and the Detroit College of Law. He lives with his wife, Sharon, and their three children in Farmington Hills.

Common Cause approves of Brodhead's spending

Rep. William Brodhead (D-Detroit) scored a good rating from Common Cause, a group that has monitored campaign finance activities in Congressional elections since 1972.

In a recent survey, Common Cause reported that Brodhead voted with the group's position on five separate bills including a new lobby disclosure law, which ultimately died in the Senate.

The Common Cause study, "How Money Talks in Congress," is designed to demonstrate the various ways in

which political contributions, financial earnings and gifts affect government decisions.

The study documents the role of campaign contributions in the Congressional defeats of the hospital cost containment bill by the American Medical Association and the no-fault insurance bill by the American Trial Lawyers Association.

By mid-year 1978, lobby groups had made campaign contributions of \$10.9 million and had an additional \$27 million available for the 1978 elections.



HARRY B. WEAVER of Farmington Hills has been named an assistant director of the engineering division of the Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Association. He will also manage the association's environmental activities group. Weaver has been with MVMA since 1968. A native of Baltimore, he is a graduate of the University of Maryland. He is married and the father of two children.

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