FARMINGTON FOCUS

Hills man a hero

dd McCormick, a 27-year-old Farmington Hills resident, got a "candy cane" for Christmas, and it's one of his most treasured gifts.

The "candy cane" is actually an editorial paton-the-back from a central Indiana newspaper that praised McCormick and several other motorists who stopped to help victims of a fiery autocacident last Dec. 8.

McCormick, who was visiting relatives in Indianapolis, stopped to help pull two teenage girls from a Jesp Cherokee that had been involved in a wreck on Interstate 69 near Fishers, Ind.

The Jesp was imbedded in the driver's side of of a Buick on the side of the highway. Flames were shooting from the Buick's engine compartment. Without thinking, McCormick pulled over.

"Our main concern was getting those girls out before their car caught fire, too." said McCormick, an area manager for Faygo Beverages. "I never resilty considered not stopping."

Three Indiana residents diled in the accident, which received actensive newspaper coverage, as did it he actions of McCormick and the other heroes who stopped to help.

"It takes a real hero to be driving down the road and to see an accident and help out like that," said Indiana State Tropper Shawn O'Keefe in an article in The Indianapolis Star.

The "candy cane" editorial was published in enother newspaper, The Daily Ledger.

Cindy Bejezy-Crothers, a former Plymouth, Mich. resident who now lives in Nobleaville, Ind., mailed the newspaper articles to the Farmington Observer.

Calling It a career

atine (Tina) Mohes of Farmington has retired as director of human resources after
17 years at the University of Detroit Mercy.
"I will miss the association of people," Mehas
said, "but on the other hand, I paid my dues and
it's time to move on to something else."
Mehas, who began her employment at Mercy
College of Detroit, assisted in unifying the personnel policies of Mercy College and the University of

Detroit during the consolidation of the two insti-

tutions.

A graduate of Wayne State University, Mehas was previously employed at Himelhoch Brothers and Company, where she relived as vice president for personnel and operations in 1974. She also has taught courses in retailing at Oakland Community College.

Mehas said she plans to volunteer at an area hospital "after I unwind."

'Firebird' flies in

he Downtwon Development Authority's
Winter Fun Series continues with a presentation of "The Firebird," a Russian folk
tale, at 1 pm. Saturday, Jan. 20, at the Civic Thestre on Grand River in downtown Farmington. Admission is \$2 per person with infants 1 and under
admitted free.

For information on happenings in downtown Farmington, call the DDA Hotline, 473-7283.

Strike up the band

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Master of cerumonias will be Carl Grapentine of Chicago radio atation WNIB-PM and the "coles" of the University of Michigan bands. A smorgasbord of musical talent will be from bands in Birmingham, Novi, Plymouth, Schoolcraft College and Farmington.

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