President named at Hills credit counseling center



Farming-ton Hills-based Credit Counseling Board Trustees
named Jane named Jane McNamara as president and chief executive officer. McNamara

McNamara at CCC in 1980 after completing her master's degree in family economics and management at Michigan State University. She worked as a counselor for thray years, hefore becoming director of coluention. In 1988, McNamara was promoted to vice president and chief operating officer.

While managing day-to-day operations, she participated in an expansion effort that resulted





in the company tripling in size during a five-year period. She was promoted to executive vice president and chief operating officer in 1994.

Japanese donors

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The Japanese Business Society of Detroit has donated \$1,000 to Fermington Area Youth and Family Program as part of an overall \$110,000 contribution to 48 groups.

Money is used for promoting friendship and unity between Japanese and American cultures. The Japanese Business Society of Detroit Foundation is a philanthropic part of the society, which includes 230 companies and 1,400 members.

Rite stuff

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Farmington Hills resident
Antoine Semaan was promoted
to store manager of the Rite Aid
drugstore at 33222 W. 12 Mile,
Farmington Hills.
Semaan Joined Rite Aid in
1995 and has nearly eight years
experience in the retail industry.
Semaan had been an assistant
store manager at Rite. He
earned a bachelor's degree in
business and computer science
at Lawrence Technical University, He and his wife, Lana, have
a son Andrew.
Rite Aid Corp. is Michigan's

a son Andrew.
Rito Aid Corp. is Michigan's largest drugstore chain with 381 stores.



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ty like this," he said. "People are going to prose-

Police said a resident of one of the streets hit told officers she was driving southbound on Brady Lane, which also had reports of vandalism, about 6:45 a.m. when she saw a white, late-model Engle Talon stuck in the front yard of the house.

Eagle Taion stuck in the front yard of the nouse. She thought she saw some individuals standing behind some trees in the yard, but she did not stop because she thought it was just a minor accident caused by poor road conditions.

However, when she returned to her home an

hour later and could see all the damage in the

hour later and could see all the damage in the neighborhood, she called police. Her lawn apparently was not vandalized.

Police wont to the address she gave them and recovered a damaged turn-signal lens and also a spare-tire cover from the area, which they believe were used to free the vehicle.

The greatest number of complaints came from residents on Bradloy, with 11 lawns damaged; Boywood, with 10, and Brady, with seven.

Also damaged were six lawns on Riverbend, five on Fox Creek, four each on Willowbrook Drive and Shadow Glen and two on Baypoint.

In a possibly related incident, a 41-year-old resident of the 2290 block of Willowbrook Drive asid semeone punched out the left rear window of

said someone punched out the left rear window of her 1978 Chevy Suburban that was parked at her residence between Dec. 24-26. Damage was listed at about \$100.



Remark to police gets vehicle towed

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A Detroit woman stopped by Farmington Hills police at 10 a.m. Friday for having white lights on the rear of her car and for improperly displaying her license plate onded up having to catch a ride back home after a remark she made to police led them to impound her 1987 Dodge Shadow. Police said they stopped the car as it was eastbound on Grand River near Pearl.

The 25-year-old driver gave police the vehicle registration and proof of insurance but said she had not yet received her driver's license. Further checking by police revealed no license had been lasued to the woman and they ordered the vehicle be towed.

Then the woman asked if her to the rother could come and pick up the car, and the officers said it could be arranged. But when she added, They never impounded it before, but I guess everybody does things different, they reconsidered and recordered the tow, fearing the woman may continue to drive.

She was ticketed for never acquir-

the tow, tearing the woman may con-tinue to drive.

She was ticketed for never acquir-ing a driver's license, improper rear lights and safety violation and was taken to the White Castle at Eight Mile and Grand River to call for a ride home. She was given a verbal warning on the plate display.

Dubin from page A1

February 1999,
Dubin's other goals include doing something to enhance public parking in downtown and making sure the DDA continues to include representatives from both business and neighborhoods, ensuring touch-ailt-thebases dialogue.
"Morchants and residents come from two very different philosophies," said Dubin, whose clinic was recently honored by the Farmington/Fermington Hille Chamber of Commerce. They have different needs for their city and it's important that they mesh together."

Seeing both sides

For example, having such a blend on the DDA might help a

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merchant see the residents' side of an issue. Dubin said a business owner might want to expand a parking lot without knowing that the targeted property has historical value.

Because there is a need to protect Farmington's history, Dubin said elternatives need to be determined to help solve the city's projected parking problems. The long-range strategic planning being done by the DDA and city will definitely focus on that issue, she said.

"I love seeing a full parking lot. That's exciting to me as a merchant and that's good. It means business. But, on the other hand, people have to make sure they, can park or that (excitement) will die very quick-

According to Dubin, good park-ing flow requires having a "bal-ance" of businesses, something landlord Kimco Co. is doing with the Downtown Farmington Cen-ter. That means accommodating

ter. That means accommodating those where customers come and go quickly (such as the United States Postal Service store) and places where people might spend an hour shopping.

"Parking goes hand in hand with the types of businesses that are in," Dubin said. "Some businesses that the type of the state of are in." Dubin said. "Some businesses require less parking than others ... You have to always be aware of how your merchants are shifting ... Then, the next question is, where do you get more parking?"

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vated her to sign on.
"I don't feel that I'm knowledgeable enough to make any grand statements," Dubin said.
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"But I'm excited about it. I think it's going to be interesting and fun at the same time. I'm working with some great people."
Joining the DDA also gives Dubin an opportunity to help move forward a city that has been "very, very good to us" since the late 1960s, when the optometric clinic opened next to the Civic Theatre on Grand River. "We're going on fourth-genera-

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The latter question will become even more tougher to answer as Farmington continues to grow.

Recruited for the job

Dubin said she was "nominated unbeknownat to me" to succed Fitzpatrick on the DDA. Given her longtime Farmington connection and penchant for community service, it didn't tak long to make a decision.

"I decided I've been here long enough," Dubin said, and I do carre about the community, I fought it (joining the DDA) would be interesting. So I filled out the application and sent it is. She emphasized that there was nothing political that moti-



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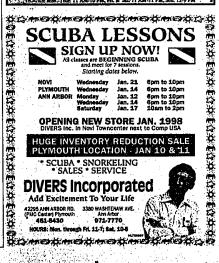
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