

Memoties: Madeline Genolas (center) looks at a scrap book with her sister Mary Petriches (left) and Joan McGlincy at Madeline's retirement party.

Hills records clerk retires

After 12 1/2 years as a recording secretary in the Farmington Hills City Clerk's office, Madeline Gemolas shared cake, ice cream and memories with coworkers upon her rotirement Friday.

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Her main duty has been serv-ing as recording secretary for the planning commission.
"It's been quite enlightening. I learned a lot about city govern-ment and legislative issues, and how very involved the people are involved in the government in Farmington Hills," Gemolas said.

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"We're going to miss her talent for organization, for writing, and her background in city matters," said Jim Vandenberg of the Farmington Hills consumer protection committee, for which Gemolas also did minutes.
"She was a member of the committee as far as I was concerned," he said.

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Several co-workers from different city departments joined
Gemolas on Friday aftermon in
the city council chambers. A
white frosted cake trimmed in
yellow and purple had been laid
out, along with strawberries,
cubed fruit and soft drinks. She
was given a book with photographs and messages from

coworkers.
"It's going to be kind of sad to leave everybody," she told Jean McGliney, city of Farmington representative on the Commission for Children Youth and Families. "She managed to take down our nonsense and make some sense out of it," McGliney said.

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Over the years, Gemolas has also helped answer phones, do birth and death announcements, helped with election work, and helped maintain the clerk's index of city council decisions.

"I'm not going to miss the phones - they seem to ring off the hook all the time," she said.
"I will miss the people in the office and the peoplem general. You get to form nice relationships, it's been very pleasant."

"She just kept her cool while everyone was getting excited," said former Mayor Aldo Vagnozzi. "She made us look good many times."

A Detroit native, Gemolas moved with her husband first to Chicago and then to Kansas City, Mo., before returning to the Detroit area to care for her brother and sister, who have lingering health problems.

Gemolas said she'll continue to care for her siblings, and will pursue her interest in gardening. "Maybe I'll do some traveling; I'd like to visit all 48 states eventually, I probably visited at least 8 to 10 of them already."

Carrier of the month



CHY Craig

Cliff Craig has been named Farmington Observer's Carrier of the Month for June. He is an incoming freshman at Farmington His School and an honor roll student. His parents are Mark and B.J. Craig; he has two brothers, Charlie and Kovin, and a sister, Alexandra. Cliff's favorite subjects in school are American history and science. He also enjoys collecting coins and playing hockey in his spare time. What Cliff likes most about his route is the opportunity to be responsible and make money for himself.

MOVERS & SHAKERS

AWYER HIRED AT DPT
Farmington Hills lawyer
Marlo Konikow was recently
hired as general counsel for
Detroit Public Television station.
Konikow's list of responsibilities
include management of the legal,
regulatory, liability and risk
activities of the station. Konikow
left Joseph Cornad Smith and
Associates, P.C. in Southfield to
join the noncommercial public
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Michael Benchetrit of Farmington Hills mac point of Farmington Hills recently joined Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy law firm. Benchetrit left the Hills firm George Mann and Associates for the fob in Troy. He joins the nation's largest law firm devoted to business immigration law. Benchetrit has a wife, Sheri, and a son, Jacob.

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The law firm of Buttel Long, headquartered in Detroit, recently named six new associate attorneys, and on the list was Farmington Hills resident David Hissong. A lawyer handling business law, corporate matters and transaction issues for Butzel Long, Hissong has practiced Long, Hissong has practiced Long, Hissong has practiced Long, so the light of the law of the l

He is a member of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan and the Oakland County Bar Association.

Farmington Hills resident Keith James takes his litigation skills to Butzel Long law firm as a senior attorney in the Bloomfield Hills office. James specializes in the areas of labor and employment law and commercial litigation and also advises employers on union related matters and personnel policy.

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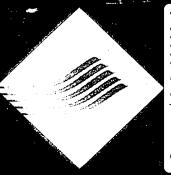
During a recent Transportation Lawyers Association meeting, Robert E. McGarland was
named president-elect and will
serve during the 2001-2002
term, McParland comes from the
firm of Foeter, Swift, Collins and
Smith, P.C. in Farmington Hills.

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NEW GENERAL COUNSEL FOR DTE
DTE Energy Technologies is
utilizing the skills of Farmington
Hills lawyer Robert G. Harvey.
Recently appointed the company's general counsel, Harvey will
be responsible for developing
and executing strategies relating
to regulatory affairs affecting
distributed generation technologies. He has been with DTE
since 1997 and has 30 years of
experience representing clients.

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