



## Jane Kay Nugent

(1925 - )

*Inducted:* **1988**

*Locale:* **Detroit and Grosse Pointe**

*Era:* **Contemporary**

*Area(s) of Achievement:* **Business**

Jane Kay Nugent of Grosse Pointe Farms is a pioneer female executive in a non-traditional role as Vice President of Administration at Detroit Edison, one of the top ten electric utility companies in the nation. She has overall responsibility for the Departments of General Purchasing, Information Systems, Business Services, Security, Buildings and Properties, Food Service, General Facilities Administration, and Real Estate and Rights of Way. She is a member of the Company's Senior Management Committee and Management Council. Nugent is one of the highest ranking women in the Metro Detroit corporate world.

Nugent participated in the nation's first management development program for women held at Cornell University. Subsequently, she presented a similar program in major cities throughout the United States. She also taught at Cornell, University of Detroit, University of Michigan, and Wayne State University. She holds degrees from the University of Detroit, Wayne State University, and the University of Michigan and has professional certification as a Certified Administrative Manager and Accredited Executive in Personnel.

Nugent is a past president of the International Association for Personnel Women and the Women's Economic Club and has served on the Advisory Committee on the Role of Women to the Council of Economic Advisors to the President of the United States. She served as the president of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan and served on the boards of many organizations, including Bon Secours of Michigan Healthcare System, First of America Bank-Southeast Michigan, Grosse Pointe War Memorial, and United Foundation. She is the first woman vice-president of the Economic Club of Detroit.

In 1970, Nugent was named one of the top ten working women in Detroit and since that time has received numerous awards for her community and professional activities. Through the years she has encouraged women in their career endeavors and has supported efforts to provide opportunities for them.