

# Macomb Matters

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## New hires-retirees

[Click here for the November 2014 list of new hires-retirees in Macomb County.](#)

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## Registration for Walk for Warmth open

## Mark's Message



Happy New Year! Welcome to 2015!

As usual, this year is starting off with a lot of exciting activity. Last week was the 2015 North American International Auto Show. As you all know, the manufacturing/automotive industry is such a huge part of our culture here in Macomb County. In fact, in Macomb County, the automotive industry is made up of nearly 500 companies, employing more than

37,000 individuals.

The industry here is a diverse network of businesses involved in research and development, production, wholesaling, retailing and maintenance of motor vehicles. Annually, manufacturing-based entities in Macomb County add more than \$10 billion to our economy, exporting more than \$41 billion dollars' worth of products and importing more than \$16 billion in goods. And, over the past four years, the auto industry has invested more than \$2 billion in Macomb County.

[Read more of Mark's Message.](#)

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## February is American Heart Month

## Employees encouraged to wear red on Feb. 6

February is American Heart Month, a great time to show yourself some love. Cardiovascular disease (CVD)—including heart disease, stroke and high blood pressure—is the number one killer of women and men in the United States. It is a leading cause



MCCSA's annual Walk For Warmth event is taking place at 10 a.m. on Feb. 28 at Bethesda Christian Church, 14000 Metro Prky, Sterling Heights. Register by Feb. 13 at [mccsa.macombgov.org/w4w](http://mccsa.macombgov.org/w4w) or [click here to download a registration form.](#)

## Macomb County employees invited to Jazzercise for free



Interested in getting heart healthy in 2015? Jazzercise classes are now being held inside the Mount Clemens Ice Arena on the second floor at 200 N. Groesbeck.

Attendees receive a free first visit. New this year, a 10 percent discount to Macomb County employees and family members for a six-month or one-year membership is being offered. Attendees just need to mention that they, or a family member, works for Macomb County.

[Click here for more info on Jazzercise.](#)

## Recipe Corner



[Click here for a healthy White Chicken Chili recipe courtesy of the Macomb County Health Department.](#)



of disability, preventing Americans from working and enjoying family activities.

One day in particular in the month of February is carved out to recognize how women are affected by this disease. Friday, Feb. 6 is known as National Wear Red Day. In support, on that day, all Macomb County staff are encouraged to wear red to raise awareness in the fight against heart disease. Also, throughout the month of February, the Macomb County Circuit Court building and the Macomb County Administration Building, as well as some other municipal sites, will be adorned with red lights.

[Read more February is American Heart Month.](#)

## Employee Focus

### Mary Malta - Macomb County Health Department

By Sarah Cormier, Macomb County Executive Office



You might notice her in the movie Stone, giving a nod to Robert De Niro, a move she jokingly calls her "claim to fame." But it's far more likely you'll recognize her from the halls of the Macomb County Health Department.

Mary Malta is a plan review specialist for the Environmental Division of the Macomb County Health Department, helping to ensure that businesses looking to either expand or open in Macomb County do so while following important health codes. Malta has worked for the Health Department for 25 years; for the past 18 she has been in her current position. She is the only full-time worker in her position. She and a part-time employee divide up the approximate 100 cases that come across their desks in a calendar year.

[Read more Employee Focus.](#)

## Vroom, vroom! What's your favorite car?

With the 2015 North American International Auto Show taking place this month, we thought we'd ask department leaders and elected officials about their favorite car.

Aside from the Batmobile ... the Grand



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## Calendar of Events

[Click here for a list of upcoming fun events in and around Macomb County.](#)

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## Pets of the Month



Spud is a 1-year-old bull terrier mix. Spud is deaf, but already knows some sign signals. He is adoptable and looking for a great home.



Gingersnap is a spayed female, black domestic shorthair cat. The shelter staff think she is about 2-years-and-3-months old. I have been at the shelter since Oct 31, 2014.

For more information on us or any other available pets, call [\(586\) 469-5115](tel:586-469-5115) or visit [Macomb County Animal Control](#).

National Chevy late '80s early '90s. But, for the future, the Atlas Ford F-150. It's sharp looking and has the latest technology. Also, the Romeo Engine Plant played an integral part of the development of its engine -- **Macomb County Executive Mark A. Hackel**

1964 Mustang....What's not to like?!?!? -- **Vicki Wolber, Emergency Management director**

My absolute dream car is a 1972 MG B Roadster convertible. I love my Dodge SUV for hauling around kids, groceries and anything else I need, but I'd love to have a fun little toy like an MG to drive on beautiful summer days! -- **Barb Caskey, Community Corrections director**

[Read more Vroom, vroom!](#)

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## Macomb's Memories - Sheriff "Big Jake" Theut

By Cynthia S. Donahue, Macomb County Facilities and Operations



Joe Louis & Sheriff Jake Theut  
Sheriff's Office, 1941

On New Years Eve, Jan. 1, 1941, a crowd of nearly 300 supporters thronged the streets and walkways of downtown Mount Clemens to help celebrate the induction of Jacob Frank Theut into the office of sheriff.

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