



April from  
Chamber President Karen Jeffers

**Happy Spring Y'all**

All I can is WOW, WOW, WOW... What a great EXPO & TASTE! This year's Expo drew a crowd of over 800 visitors. It was truly a great day with the convention center full of people enjoying the fashion and stage show, visiting the exhibitors and tasting all the yummy food. I want to thank our EXPO and Stage Show committees for making this event one for the record books. A BIG THANK You to our Gold & Silver Sponsors and especially Linda Harper, our Chamber Administrator. Linda worked so hard to make this year's EXPO a success, it is always a big feat to undertake, especially in your first year on the job.

Now that the EXPO & TASTE is over we move on to another big event, The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Banquet. We will be awarding \$3,000 in scholarship to 4 well deserving high school students as well as announcing our Business of the Year. I want to thank Land of Lincoln Credit Union and S.A. Lewis Construction for sponsoring our evening entertainment, comedians Erik Scott & Alex Dragicevich. These boys are making quite a name for themselves in the Chicago comedy scene. There will be a hors d'oeuvres- cocktail hour followed by a catered dinner from The Beach House. I want to thank Scott State Bank for sponsoring the appetizers. Tickets are \$40 each or \$300 for a table of 8. I encourage you all to get in touch with Linda Harper ASAP to get your table reserved. You won't want to miss this event.

This month's luncheon will be held at Fletcher Park on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup> with the Beach House as our caterer. Our speaker will be Becky Anderson; she will be speaking about Corporate Health. Please RSVP to Linda by Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mark your calendars for the Chamber's Drive up Chicken Dinner on May 10<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are only \$10 and included the delicious Nelsons ½ grilled chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans and roll.

In closing I want to thank all of our members for your support of the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce. From having a booth in our EXPO, attending luncheons, participating in our fundraising efforts all reminds me of what a truly special business community we have here in the Mt. Zion area. I hope you all have a wonderful Spring Season.

With Warm Regards,

Karen

# April 2018 Events

## Luncheon

### April 11th

**Member Cost: \$15**

*Networking: 11:15 am*

*Lunch: 11:45—1:00 pm*

*RSVP by Noon Monday Jan. 8th*

**LOCATION:**

**Fletcher Park, Mt. Zion**

**Recreation Center**

**SPEAKER:**

**Becky Anderson**

**TOPIC:**

**Corporate Wellness**

**CATERED BY**

**Beach House**

**EXHIBITOR:**

**Land of Lincoln  
Credit Union**



## *Mark Your Calendar*

**Residence Inn Ribbon  
Cutting/Business After  
Hours 4/16**

**Annual Banquet 4/19**

**LUNCH**

**May 9th Luncheon  
at the Red Barn Kitchen  
Topic:  
Business Start-ups in  
the Decatur Area**

## 2017-18 Board of Directors

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# 2018 Mt. Zion Expo & Taste



## **2018 Calendar of Events**

**Mt. Zion Chamber Annual Banquet - April 19, 2018**

**Community Drive-up Chicken Dinner - May 10, 2018**

**Mt. Zion Community Prayer Breakfast - October 24, 2018**

# **April Luncheon**

The April luncheon speaker on Wednesday, April 11, 2018, is Becky Anderson with Physicians Choice Wellness & ApexNetwork Physical Therapy. Becky's topic is Corporate Health.

Our luncheon in April will be at the Fletcher Park Recreation Center. Luncheon registration and networking starts at 11:15 a.m.; the luncheon starts at 11:30 a.m. It will be catered by the Beach House and Land of Lincoln Credit Union will be the exhibitor.

RSVP to [mtzionilchamber@gmail.com](mailto:mtzionilchamber@gmail.com) by Mon., April 9, 2018.

## **WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER**

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Heather Saffer, Director of Sales, is our new member. She is with the Residence Inn by Marriott at 230 Lucile Avenue in Forsyth. "It's not a room. It's a residence.™" They have extended stay accommodations with fully-equipped kitchens, large work area, and separate living/sleeping spaces. Contact Heather at 217-872-6600 or e-mail her at [hsaffer@thmc.biz](mailto:hsaffer@thmc.biz).

Come welcome them to our chamber by attending their Mt. Zion Chamber Ribbon Cutting & Business After Hours on Monday, April 16, 2018 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.; the ribbon cutting will be at 5:30 p.m.



# Annual Banquet

The Annual Banquet will be held Thursday, April 19th at the Mt. Zion Convention Center. The event will kick-off with cocktails 5:30—6:30 and Hors d'oeuvres sponsored by Scott State Bank. There will be a new feature added to our banquet this year: Silent Auction Baskets (donated by chamber members) to bid on during cocktail time and up to the start of our evening program. Dinner will be catered by Chamber member The Beach House and the program will follow with traditional announcements of Business of the Year and Scholarship Awards. Land of Lincoln Credit Union and S. A Lewis Construction, Inc. are co-sponsoring Erik Scott and Alex Scott, our featured quick wit, comic entertainment. Tickets are will be available at the April 11th luncheon for \$40 each or table of 8 for \$300 or email Linda Harper at [mtzionilchamber@gmail.com](mailto:mtzionilchamber@gmail.com). All chamber members, employees and their

## Silent Auction Items Needed

### ***WE NEED YOUR HELP***

#### **Everyone can join in.....**

This year at the Annual Banquet we are going to have our Silent Auction Fundraiser. Get creative and have some fun by donating a “themed” basket or an item to help us raise money for future charitable giving. If you need helpful ideas or a pick-up of donated item contact Wendy Kernan at [wkernan@townandcountrybank.com](mailto:wkernan@townandcountrybank.com). Drop off your silent auction item by Monday, April 16th to the Mt. Zion branch of Town & Country Bank.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Congratulations to the following Board members who were elected at the March 14, 2018 luncheon:

- Wendy Kernan—Town & Country Bank (second two-year term)
- Laura Jones—Vieweg Real Estate (second two-year term)
- Jeff Chambers--Mansea Metal (first two-year term)
- Dusty Corum— Heritage Health (first two-year term)
- Ed Swope—From One Mother to Another (first two-year term)

They begin their two-year term on June 1, 2018.



MT. ZION

**CHAMBER**  
of Commerce

**Deadline April 12th**

## Annual Banquet

**Mt. Zion Convention Center**

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**

**Cocktails 5:30-6:30 p.m. Dinner to follow**

**Hors d'oeuvres Sponsored by Scott State Bank**

**Featuring Erik Scott & Alex Dragicevich**

**Quick Wit Comedians**

**Entertainment Sponsored by**



***S.A. Lewis Construction, Inc***



Tickets available:

\$40 each or a Table of 8 is \$300

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Ribbon Cutting & Business After Hours  
Monday, April 16, 2018  
5:30-7:30 p.m.



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# Rummage Sale

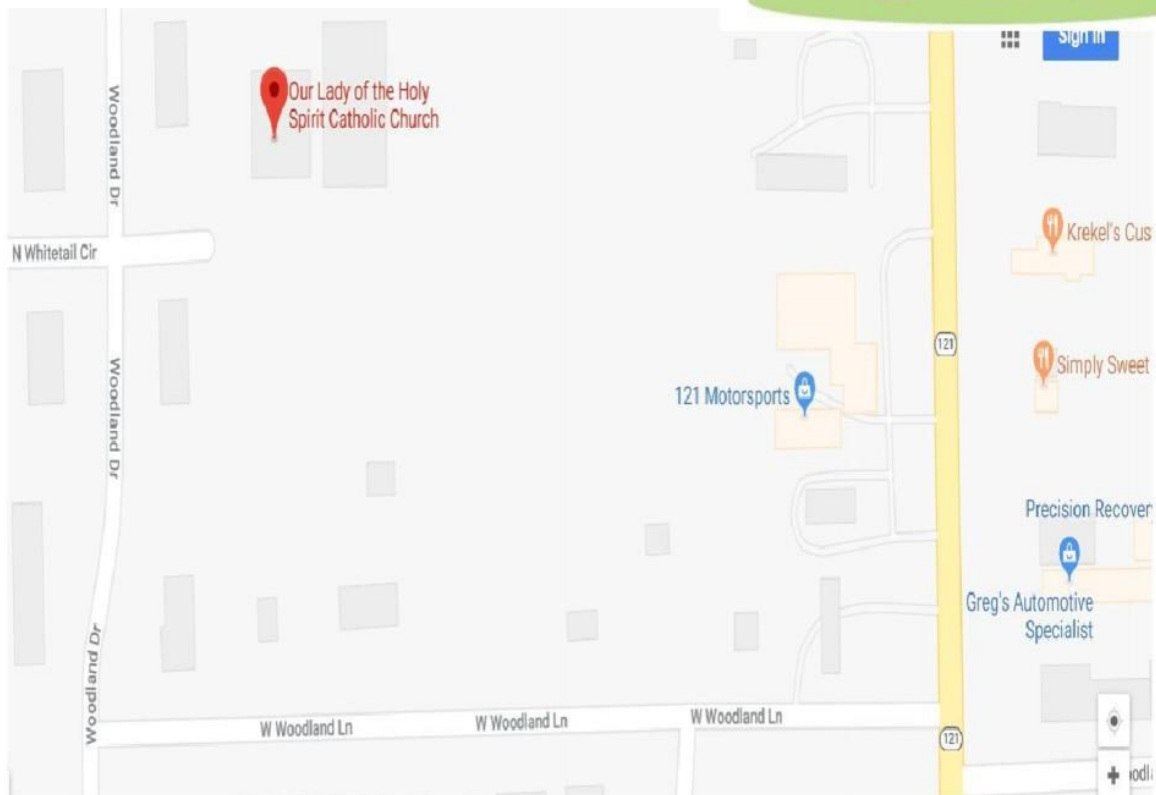
## Our Lady of the Holy Spirit

400 N Whitetail Cir  
Mt Zion, IL 62549  
(Located in Parrish Hall)

**Dates:**

**Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM-5:00PM**

**Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 8:00AM-2:00PM**





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Address	Details	Price	MLS #
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7455 W Wood St	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/1bth/1car gar./90 ac/Sangamon Valley Schools	Mid \$50's	6175485
195 N Fairway Ave	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 2bdr/1bth/half acre/Warrensburg-Latham Schools	Low \$40's	6180818
679 N Moffet Ave	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/2bth/1.5car garage/updated bathrooms, paint, roof	Low \$60's	6174270
32 Sickles Dr	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/1bth/1.5car garage/hardwood floors/ South Shores	Low \$60's	6172409
540 W North St	<b>NEW LISTING! MULTI-FAMILY!</b> brick/6 studio units/historic district	Mid \$60's	6180660
511 N Ridge Lane	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 3bdr/2bth/1car garage/charming ranch/hardwood floors	Upper \$60's	6180447
559 W Prairie Ave	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/1bth/1.5car garage/historic westend Tudor/hardwd flrs	Low \$70's	6173963
1455 W Main St	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 2bdr/1.5bth/2car garage/westend bungalow/ <b>Pre-inspected!</b>	Mid \$70's	6180598
135 W Roney St, Dalton City	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 3bdr/2bth/spacious fam rm with fireplace Mt Z schools	Low \$80's	6180847
2315 W Forest Ave	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/1bth/2.5car garage/blonde brick/full basement	Upper \$80's	6175450
4101 Park Lane	3bdr/3bth/2car garage/bi-level/Enclosed deck/lake neighborhood	Mid \$90's	6174651
12 Lake Grove Club	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 2bdr/1bth/2car garage/lake cottage/updated/fireplace/dock	Upper \$90's	6155231
1725 S Fairview Ave	<b>COMMERCIAL!</b> Office space!/.84 acre/Formerly veterinarian's office	Low \$100's	6175256
414 W Karen Dr	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 3bdr/2bth/2car garage/full basement/updated roof/lge yrd	Mid \$100's	6180469
4003 E Kresin Ct	<b>NEW LISTING!</b> 3bdr/1bth/2car garage/Mt Z schls/ <b>HWA Gold Warranty</b>	Upper \$100's	6180552
925 Dee Lee Lane, Mt Zion	3bdr/2.5bth/2car garage/great layout!/large yard/Mt Z schools	Upper \$110's	6180097
2461 S 34 <sup>th</sup> St	4bdr/2bth/1car garage/.46 acre treed lot/loads of updates!/near lake	Upper \$110's	6175016
4729 Wisteria Ct	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/2bth/2car garage/lge fam room/Maroon-Forsyth Schls	Upper \$130's	6174832
1425 Meadowview Dr	3bdr/2bth/2car gar/energy efficient/open layout/split bdr design/W-L Schls	Upper \$140's	6172013
4726 Wisteria Ct	4bdr/2.5bth/2-car garage/updates/ <b>PRE-INSPECTED!</b> /north end bi-level	Low \$150's	6173475
2683 Forrest Green Dr	3bdr/2full&2half bth/2car garage/3,527 TSF/spacious rms/gorgeous kit.	Low \$180's	6180305
1920 Shore Oak Dr	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 3bdr/2.5bth/gorgeous remodeled contemporary/Mt Z schools	Upper \$210's	6175680
2 Forest Knolls Est	<b>NEW PRICE!</b> 5bdr/4bth/2car garage/lake front/3,000+ SF/decks/dock	Lower \$250's	6173774
339 Cale Ct, Forsyth	3bdr/2bth/2.5car garage/ranch/full basement/by park/M-F schools	Upper \$250's	6174707

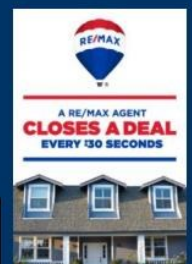


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**Thursday, April 26, 2018 | 6-8 pm**

Millikin Campus, Tabor School of Business  
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Kara Demirjian Huss, President of DCC Marketing, will provide insights and strategies on how to build your brand and activate an integrated marketing plan to help you build a business, grow your business and drive revenue.

- Steps to a Successful Brand & Market Strategy
- The Branding Process
- Building & Implementing an Integrated Marketing Plan

### Event Cost: \$20.00

Payment must be made in advance.  
*Last day to register is April 20, 2018.*

For more information or to register, contact **Bethany Wetherholt** at [bwetherholt@millikin.edu](mailto:bwetherholt@millikin.edu) | 217-424-6296

## Meet the Speaker

Kara Demirjian Huss is the Founder & President of DCC Marketing and DemirCo Properties as well as the VP and Global Marketing Director for T/CCI Manufacturing.

Kara is an active community member serving on the following boards:

- Young Presidents Organization
- Economic Development Corporation, Executive Board
- The Community Foundation, Vice President
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- University of Illinois, Presidents Council



Decatur

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Register as individuals, or up to a team of 4\*



\*Individuals will be grouped together to form a team of 4.

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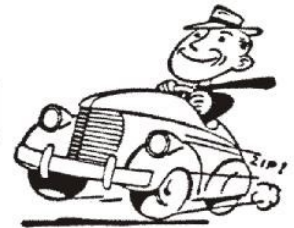


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