



## **Genesee County Prosecutor's Office David Leyton, Prosecutor**

### **Grand Blanc Twp. Man Arraigned on Charges for Christmas Eve Knife Attack on Family**

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A Grand Blanc Township family allegedly was on a "hit list" of eight people a local psychologist said he was going to kill, a township police detective testified Wednesday.

That testimony from Detective Matt Harburn came as he swore out charges of first-degree home invasion and two counts of assault with intent to murder against William L. Harshman, 50, a Mott Community College psychology instructor and psychologist at the Oakland Psychological Clinic.

Harshman of Grand Blanc Township, who has been held in the Genesee County Jail since his arrest, was charged with stabbing Lisa Heintz at the home she and husband Kurt share at 8259 Pine Hollow Trail just before 6 p.m. Monday. Her arm was broken in the assault.

Just before Harshman was alleged to have attacked Heintz, he is accused of entering her home and stabbing Edward Lapine, 17, of Flint, who was working for the Heintz family. Lapine, whom Harburn said was stabbed in the back, was able to flee the house with a friend, another teen.

Police said the Heintzes, who had been in the mortgage business, had known Harshman, who lived nearby at an address on McCandlish Road. Officers arrested Harshman in his driveway after police followed his tracks through some trees between his home and the subdivision where the Heintzes' home is located.

In Genesee County's Central District Court, Harburn told Davison District Judge John L. Conover that Lisa Heintz was undergoing surgery to have a plate put in her left arm, which was broken in the attack when she raised it to protect herself.

Harburn also testified that just 30 minutes before Harshman allegedly entered the Heintz home, he made a phone call to a woman he knew and told her that he was standing in front of a house where he was going to kill three people on a list of eight he'd made.

The investigator didn't specify who the people on Harshman's "hit list" were.

Harburn said Harshman had been drinking before the attacks Monday evening and had destroyed property such as clothing and photos that belonged to his wife. His wife, concerned about his behavior, had previously moved out, the detective said.

Harburn said Harshman allegedly used a black-handled kitchen knife in the attack on Lisa Heintz. Police have not yet located that knife, he said.

During his arraignment by video link between the court and the county jail, Harburn listened quietly to the charges against him and told the judge he didn't have an attorney or the means to hire one, even though he had income of \$75,000 a year.

Conover ordered Harshman held without bond on the assault with intent to murder charges, and said he would be interviewed by court officials about having an attorney appointed to defend him.

He is scheduled for a preliminary examination in early January.

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