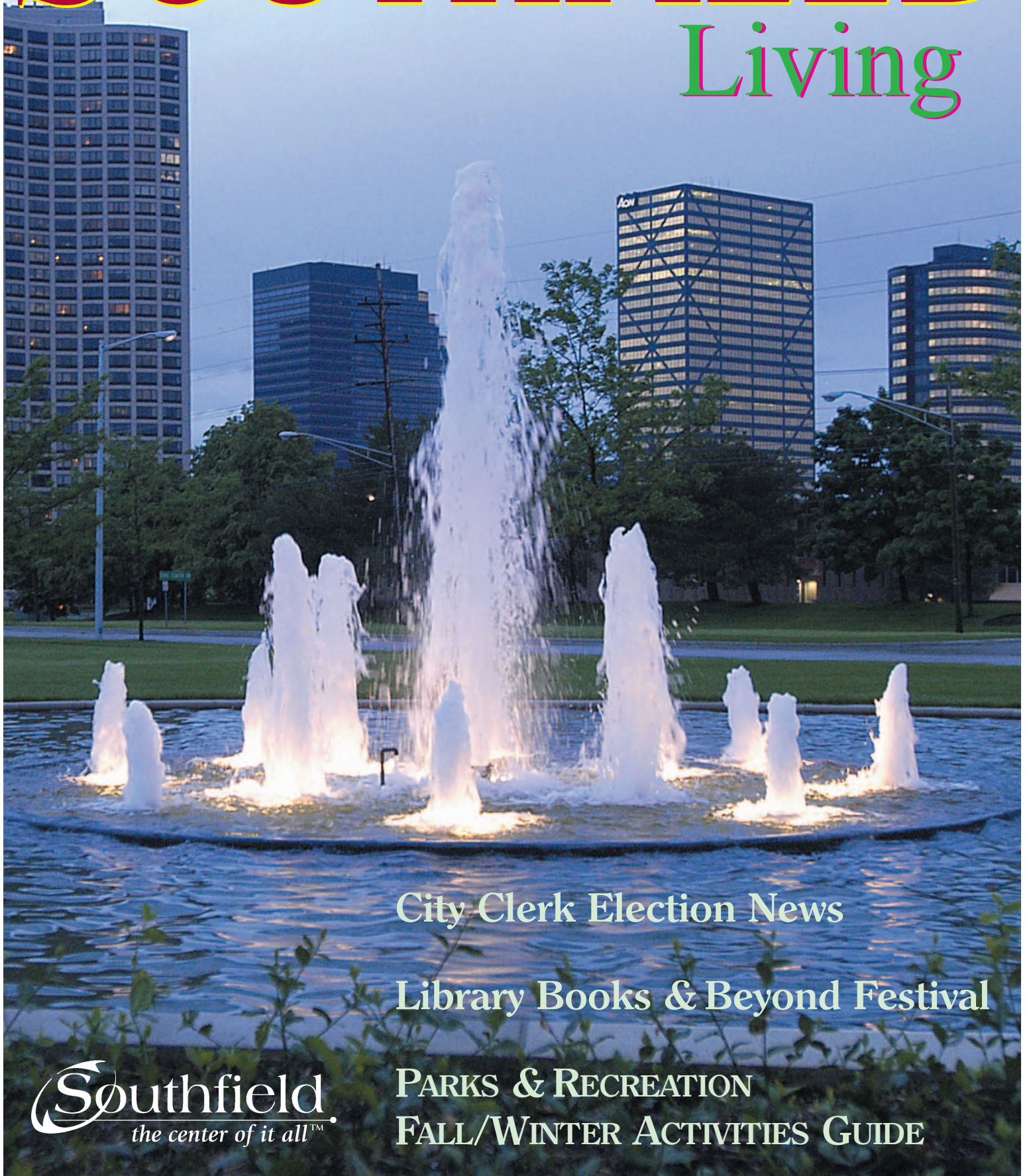


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The City of Southfield's intent is to operate its programs and services, so when viewed in their entirety, they are readily accessible to and usable by individuals with a disability. To ensure equally-effective communication, upon request, the City will provide auxiliary aids and services, such as sign language interpreters, Braille-translated material, large-print documents, etc. Advance notice is required. To make arrangements, contact the City Clerk's Office at 248/796-5150 (voice) or 248/354-4831 (TDD).

Vision

by Dale E. Iman, *City Administrator*



The City of Southfield is committed to

continuous improvement despite tough economic times. City leaders are focused on building a better community for every Southfield resident and business. Looking back upon my first year as City Administrator, I am pleased with the strides we have made in a relatively short period of time. The City is working hard to ensure the City's future fiscal sustainability; but, there is still much to be accomplished and many challenges remain. Balancing the budget is an increasingly difficult task for virtually every municipality throughout the State of Michigan. Yet, despite such challenges, the City of Southfield continues to provide its residents with exceptional city services, including police, fire, life support and emergency transport, building and safety engineering, code compliance, and planning. While many cities are balancing their budgets through layoffs in these vital services, Southfield continues to fill all vacated essential positions. For the current fiscal year (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006), this is accomplished at the same millage rate as last year (16.34 mills), with no layoffs or cuts in essential city services. This reflects our continuing aggressive approach to maximize existing resources and look for savings that will have minimal-to-no effect on service delivery.

The safety and welfare of the community remains our top priority. The City celebrated the opening of the refurbished Fire Station Four earlier this month. This newly-modernized station will now provide better service for residents

on the west side of the City. The Police and Fire Departments continue to conduct joint training exercises with other local, state and national public safety agencies to remain focused and prepared. The Fire Department recently acquired several new thermal imaging cameras through a grant from the Department of Homeland Security. The cameras will help to save lives by assisting firefighters to locate persons trapped, or otherwise hidden by smoke and fire, when seconds count. The Fire Department is also now providing the community with emergency ambulance transportation services. The department has already transported over 1,300 patients in the first quarter alone, realizing new revenues from insurance billings while providing a valuable community service. The Fire Department also recently purchased four new life support units to better ensure optimal service levels and the overall safety of the community.

Southfield continues to attract quality new development and redevelopment throughout the City. Such investment in the community is crucial to our continued vitality. The new Meijer concept store that recently opened at Tel-Twelve Mall is a great example of a significant redevelopment project that benefits the entire community. The \$70 million expansion by the Lear Corporation at their world headquarters campus represents an outstanding example of corporate development in Southfield. The new condominium and retail development at 10 Mile and Evergreen also represents another great example of quality development taking place in the City.

The City is converting the former Southfield Public Library space into a convenient, one-stop customer service center for building permits, site plan reviews, and other building, code or engineering-related items. In so doing, the City will consolidate related departments that serve the public while making efficient use of the vacant library facility and maximizing staff productivity. The public will benefit from the improved service and convenience of having these departments centrally-located together in one location.

City leaders remain focused on alleviating problems before they reach crisis level. To this end, the City recently sold its \$12.5 million Michigan Transportation Fund Bonds to finance necessary road improvements. The City received excellent bond ratings from Moody's Investment Services and Standard & Poors based upon Southfield's strong financial position and its plan to maintain that strength in the future. The bond rating agencies focused on new development and redevelopment projects underway as well as the City's multi-year plan to sustain fund balances. Southfield's strong bond ratings place it in the top tier of all Michigan cities. Furthermore, the City is saving over \$828,000 from original interest cost projections during the 15-year life of the bonds.

The City will use the proceeds from the bond sale to reconstruct and improve Southfield roads before further deterioration dramatically increases project

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House approves \$4.6 million for I-696 Ramps at Franklin Road in Southfield

The City of Southfield will receive \$4.6 million in federal highway transportation funds to construct the new I-696 ramps at Franklin Road in Southfield. The House of Representatives passed the six-year Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (TEA-LU) transportation bill on July 29. The bill provides for \$286.4 billion in highway and transit funding through 2009, and improves the "rate of return" for states like Michigan that pay more in federal gas taxes than they receive in federal transportation assistance. In addition to the increased state funding, the highway bill also includes specific funding for eight Michigan highway projects, including the new I-696/Franklin ramps in Southfield.

"The \$4.6 million earmark funding for I-696 is a major accomplishment," commented Mayor Brenda Lawrence. "I was proud to participate along with Senator's Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow and Representative's Sander Levin and Joseph Knollenberg, City Council, City Administration and MDOT to ensure that we received this very important funding. This is a perfect example of our federal representatives bringing home the bacon."

The \$4.6 million grant will reduce the City's overall costs for the I-696/Franklin project, freeing available funds for other critical road improvement projects throughout the City.

Southfield 2005 Annual Report/Calendar wins MML Achievement Award

The City of Southfield 2005 Annual Report/Calendar has won first place in the Michigan Municipal League's (MML) 22nd Annual Achievement Awards. The calendar won in the category of 'Superior Delivery of Service' in the cities with population range of 25,001 and above. The award will be presented at the League's 107th Annual Convention on September 22 at the Amway Grand Hotel in Grand Rapids. The calendar will be featured in the awards exhibit at the MML convention as well as in the convention booklet, in the League's magazine Michigan Municipal Review, and on their Web site.

The City also received certificates of achievement for the 'Strategic Plan 2005-2010' and the '100 Days to Health' entries. Both entries received high complimentary scores and will be featured in the MML convention booklet and on the League's Web site at www.mml.org.

Advertise in the City of Southfield 2006 Annual Report/Calendar

Production of the 2006 Southfield Annual Report/Calendar is currently underway. The award-winning publication is mailed to every residential and business address in the City. Thousands more are included in information packets distributed throughout the year to prospective new residents and businesses. The calendar advertising insert is an excellent way to reach 78,000 Southfield residents and 8,600 businesses for one extraordinarily low price! The return on the investment in a calendar ad reaps dividends throughout the entire year. **Reserve your spot today, space is limited.** Call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 for more information.

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Southfield Parks and Garden Club

The Southfield Parks and Garden Club is a city-wide community service organization committed to beautifying the City. The club was formed to help make Southfield a better place to live and work. Members help organize events and work groups, including yard and litter clean-ups, planting annuals for needy citizens, and cleaning up local highways. Since forming in March 2005, the club has completed 14 CHORE house beautifications, four highway clean-ups, a planting for the City, and a planting for Southfield Public Schools. The group currently has 30 members, but they hope to continue to grow. They are always seeking new members and welcome and encourage every resident to consider joining. There is no mandatory contribution, everyone is simply encouraged to participate as much as their schedules permit. The club holds monthly meetings at the Southfield Parks & Recreation building. Their next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21 at 7 p.m. The club also just began a *Horticultural Enrichment Program* that will provide educational speakers, field trips, and garden tours.



For more information, contact Jonathan Adams, Southfield Parks and Garden Club founder, at (248) 356-2281, via e-mail at sfldparks@hotmail.com, or visit their Web site at www.parksandgarden.org.

Southfield Annual Tree Planting Program: *Plant a tree and keep Southfield beautiful*

The City of Southfield, like most Southeastern Michigan communities, has been severely impacted by the Emerald Ash Borer. The Emerald Ash Borer is a bug from Asia that was first discovered in Southeast Michigan in 2002. Since then, this pest has damaged or killed millions of ash trees in Michigan alone. The City has been working hard to remove diseased and dying ash trees in city right-of-ways and other public areas. This is a tremendous task, and we ask for your patience and cooperation during this process, which includes ash tree removal, stump grinding and ground leveling. Once a tree is removed, the City asks that the respective homeowner then re-seed or sod the area. Southfield is aiming to have all diseased ash trees removed from public right-of-ways by December of 2005.

There are several options residents can explore to replace a removed ash tree. Southfield has applied for a grant through the Michigan Department of Agriculture to replace a limited number of trees in public right-of-ways (the area between the street and sidewalk). Further information will be made available once grant allocations are determined.

In the interim, the City's annual Spring/Fall Tree Planting Program is a great option for residents interested in replacement trees. Residents may choose from a standard variety of trees such as: oak, maple, flowering crab, etc. ranging from 2" - 2½" diameter planted in the homeowner's right-of-way for \$200. Residents may also have trees delivered to their home for \$175 and plant it themselves. These trees are not required to be planted specifically in right-of-ways.

To purchase a tree, or for more information, contact the City's Forestry Division at (248) 796-4880.

City Cable 15 is ready for a great fall season

City Cable 15 is planning an exciting programming blitz that you can be a part of. In October, the station will unveil new shows that are sure to interest viewers. You'll see new editions of our regular shows such as 15 News, Focus on Seniors, The Author's Den, Safe & Secure and Business Matters. Additionally, look for special programs and community events such as the 2005 P&R Dance Recitals, Autumnfest and the Community Pride Awards. We also plan to air two days of Smooth Jazz Fest music!

During the Fall Roll-Out, there will be an opportunity for residents to win prizes when they share their thoughts regarding City Cable 15 programs. You can find out more on this City Cable 15 event through the station's monthly newsletter or by logging onto the City's Web site at www.cityofsouthfield.com and click on Cable 15 under the Department prompt.

Tune into City Cable 15 for election results

Don't forget to tune into City Cable 15 on November 8 for complete local election results. Once the polls close at 8 p.m., Cable 15 will provide live coverage of all the Southfield races. You'll hear from the candidates and see the numbers as they come in. On November 9, City Cable 15 will also post final election results on the Electronic Bulletin Board, which will run all day.

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costs. The Major Street Rehabilitation Program will improve the City's infrastructure, help to alleviate congestion, increase curb appeal, and support property values. The bond sale funds will enable the City to address the needs of the major street system much sooner than would have been otherwise possible. City Council recently awarded six contracts estimated at \$3,500,000 to reconstruct roadways damaged by the past winter season. Work is expected to begin this month and be completed in November. Some of the current road projects include: Evergreen Road from Winchester to 12 Mile Road; Civic Center Drive from Telegraph to east of Berg Road; Inkster Road from 12 Mile Road to Northwestern Highway; Central Park Boulevard from Civic Center to I-696; Civic Center Drive from Lahser to M-10; and Lahser Road widening from 10 Mile to Civic Center Drive.

Congress recently passed the six-year Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (TEA-LU) transportation bill. Southfield will receive \$4.6 million in federal highway transportation funds to construct the new I-696 ramps at Franklin Road. The grant will reduce the City's overall costs for the I-696/Franklin project, freeing available funds for other critical road improvement projects throughout the City. Once complete, the new ramps will offer improved public safety, convenience and reduced congestion.

We continue to work diligently to provide the community with outstanding city services without raising tax rates or compromising quality. With increasingly-constrained resources, this task becomes more difficult each year. For example, State Shared Revenues, the City's second largest General Fund revenue, have decreased \$2.4 million, or more than 20% over the last four years to a new nine-year low. Despite such challenges, the City remains committed to providing residents with the level of outstanding service they have come to expect. We have taken great steps towards reducing our reliance on fund balance by improving processes, cutting costs and raising new revenues. We are already seeing promising dividends from many of the new costs savings and revenue-generating measures approved by City Council. We will remain focused on identifying new ways to cut costs and increase productivity while we work together to build a better Southfield.

Step Up**to Health**

Step Up to Health is the continuation of the 100 Days to Health community-wide health education and awareness campaign designed to encourage healthy lifestyles. The City of Southfield, Providence Hospital, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, and Comcast Cable have partnered together to promote healthy living and community wellness.

“We envision *Step Up to Health* to be a community-wide program that encourages regular exercise and healthy eating habits,” said Bill Waterhouse, director of Southfield Parks & Recreation department. “The goal of the program is to create a strong, healthy and active community.”

A number of health-related classes, events, and activities will take place throughout the campaign that encourage healthy living. Most of the *Step Up to Health* activities are free and open to the public. For more information or further event listings, contact Southfield Parks & Recreation at (248) 796-4620, or visit www.cityofsouthfield.com.

Bone & Joint Health Series

Hip & Knee Pain Seminar - October 5, 6 p.m. The workshop will describe the frequency of musculoskeletal diseases in our country today. Discuss the causes of hip and knee pain and review treatment options for conditions causing hip and knee conditions with a focus on various forms of arthritis. Presenter: Nora Bass, MSN, MBA, Orthopaedic Surgery Nurse Practitioner, Providence Hospital. Held at the Southfield Senior Adult Center, 24350 Civic Center Dr.

Osteoporosis - November 2, 6 p.m. The workshop will describe the incidence of Osteoporosis and identify those individuals who are at an increased risk for the disease. The workshop will also discuss prevention of this condition, treatment, and long-term outcomes. Presenter: Nora Bass, MSN, MBA, Orthopaedic Surgery Nurse Practitioner, Providence Hospital. Held at the Southfield Senior Adult Center, 24350 Civic Center Drive.

Aches & Pains, Strains & Sprains - December 7, 6 p.m. The workshop will discuss the causes of strains and sprains, identifying the difference between chronic conditions and acute injuries. The presenter will also discuss treatment options and prevention of such injuries. Presenter: Nora Bass, MSN, MBA, Orthopaedic Surgery Nurse Practitioner, Providence Hospital. Held at the Southfield Senior Adult Center, 24350 Civic Center Drive.

Women's Health Series

Breast Cancer Awareness: Why every woman should be concerned - October 17, 7 p.m. The workshop will discuss the incidence of breast cancer, risk factors and screening guidelines. Diagnostic procedures and treatment alternatives will also be covered. Presenter: Vanessa Reyes, RN, Breast Care Coordinator, Providence Hospital Care Center. Held at Southfield Public Library, 26300 Evergreen Road.

Emotional Eating: The relationship between mood and food - December 5, 7 p.m. A look at why physical hunger is not the only reason we eat. Discussion includes why we crave certain foods, how to identify emotional “triggers” and strategies to deal with emotional eating. Presenter: Elaine Horowitz, RNC, Nurse Navigator, Providence Women's Services. Held at Southfield Public Library, 26300 Evergreen Road.

Alternatives to Hysterectomy: Minimally Invasive Surgery - November 7, 7 p.m. The workshop will examine new techniques to deal with fibroids, bleeding and other gynecological issues. Presenter: Alan Newman, MD, Obstetrician/Gynecologist, Providence Hospital. Held at Southfield Public Library, 26300 Evergreen Road.

City Clerk's News

Nancy L. M. Banks, *City Clerk*



Municipal Elections for 2005

Preparations are well underway in the City Clerk's Office for the Municipal Elections of 2005. Southfield voters will go to the polls on the following election dates:

Primary Election - September 13
General Election - November 8

*Offices to be Elected
in 2005 include:*

Mayor
City Clerk
City Treasurer
City Council (Four Seats)

The 2005 Election ballot will also include two Charter amendments. For candidate and additional ballot information contact the City Clerk's Office or visit the Southfield Web site, www.cityofsouthfield.com, and click on the election banner to the right of the screen.

New Voting Equipment

The Southfield City Clerk's Office will roll-out the new M-100 Optical Scan Voting System for the Municipal Primary Election on September 13, 2005. Registered voters in the City of Southfield will use their new voting system for the first time in compliance with the Help America Vote Act. The

Help America Vote Act (HAVA), was signed into law in 2002, to provide federal funding for states to replace outdated voting equipment, and to improve access for voters with disabilities and citizens living outside of the country. Federal funds valued at more than \$368,000 for the City of Southfield, paid for the purchase of the new M-100 optical scan tabulators and related software to replace the current punch card voting system which has been used for almost three decades. Southfield voters will now fill-in an oval on a printed ballot which is then inserted into the tabulator. Every municipality in the State of Michigan will use an optical scan voting system. Paper ballots, punch cards and lever machines are now a part of American history.

Come out and use your new optical scan voting system in the Primary Election on September 13, 2005. The new M-100 system is on display in the lobby of City Hall. Stop by the City Clerk's Office to vote a sample ballot on the new voting equipment, or view the new ballot format and M-100 video presentation on the City's Web site at www.cityofsouthfield.com and select City Departments, City Clerk's Office, Elections.

Absent Voter Applications

Michigan law requires that registered

voters wishing to receive an absent voter ballot must complete an Absent Voter Application for each election for which an absentee ballot is needed. All registered voters age 60 years and over, and disabled residents who have requested same, were mailed the Absent Voter Application in July. The Application must be returned to the City Clerk's Office, completed and signed, before an Absent Voter Ballot can be mailed to the voter. If you need an Absent Voters Ballot for the 2005 Elections, contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 796-5150, or visit the City Web site at www.cityofsouthfield.com.

Close of Registration

Michigan election law states that you must be registered to vote 30 days in advance of an election.

The Close of Registration deadline for the September Primary Election is August 15, 2005. The Close of Registration deadline for the November General Election is October 11, 2005.

If you are not currently registered to vote in Southfield, please visit the City Clerk's Office, or any Secretary of State Branch office, or visit the City's Web site at www.cityofsouthfield.com. If you are physically unable to appear in person, please call City Clerk Nancy L. M. Banks at (248) 796-5150, to make arrangements for a member of the City Clerk's Office to register you at home.

Precinct Consolidation

Do you know your voting precinct number and polling location? In March, 2003, the Southfield City Council enacted Ordinance No. 1494, amending the City Code to consolidate the number of voting precincts from 50 to 43 to provide a more equal balance of voters at the precincts and a cost-savings in both personnel and equipment. The Precinct Consolidation Plan also reduced the number of polling locations from 25 to 19. All registered voters in the City of Southfield were mailed new Voter Identification Cards in February 2005. Any registered voter who has not received a new Voter ID Card should contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 796-5150.

Please remember to bring your Voter ID Card or Driver's License with you on Election Day.

Passports

If you are planning to travel abroad, or just take a day trip to Canada, you may want to apply for a U.S. Passport to make your traveling easier and more efficient.

The Southfield City Clerk's Office is an official Passport Acceptance Agency designated by the U.S. Department of State to accept and process passport applications. United States citizens interested in applying for a U.S. Passport must submit proof of citizenship, such as a certified birth certificate, a previous U.S. Passport, Naturalization Certificate or Report of Birth

Abroad; plus identification such as a valid Driver's License, Naturalization/Citizenship Certificate, or official Military Identification Card; plus two recent 2" x 2" photos on white or off-white background, and the appropriate application fees.

Application fees are \$67 for an adult 16 years of age or older; \$52 for applicants 15 years of age and younger. There is also a \$30 execution fee for each application. Routine applications take 4-6 weeks to process; expedited applications are processed within ten business days for an additional \$60. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 796-5150.

NEW PRECINCT LOCATIONS

Pct. 1 - Akiva,
21100 Twelve Mile Rd.

Pct. 2 - McIntyre School,
19600 Saratoga

Pct. 3 - Birney Middle School,
27225 Evergreen Rd.

Pct. 4 - McIntyre School,
19600 Saratoga

Pcts. 5 & 6 - Vandenberg School,
16100 Edwards

Pct. 7 - Akiva,
21100 Twelve Mile Rd.

Pct. 8 - City Hall,
26000 Evergreen Rd.

Pct. 9 - Birney Middle School,
27225 Evergreen Rd.

Pcts. 10 & 11 - Schoenhals School,
16500 Lincoln Dr.

Pct. 12 - City Hall,
26000 Evergreen Rd.

Pct. 13 - Adler School,
19100 Filmore

Pct. 14 - Thompson School,
16300 Lincoln Dr.

Pct. 15 - Schoenhals School,
16500 Lincoln Dr.

Pct. 16 - Oakland Church of Christ,
23333 Ten Mile Rd.

Pct. 17 - Adler School,
19100 Filmore

Pcts. 18 & 19 - Thompson School,
16300 Lincoln Dr.

Pcts. 20 & 21 - Kennedy School,
16299 Mt. Vernon

Pct. 22 - VFW Hall,
24222 Nine Mile Rd.

Pcts. 23 & 24 - Brace-Lederle School,
18575 Nine Mile Rd.

Pcts. 25 & 26 - St. Johns Armenian Church,
22001 Northwestern Hwy.

Pcts. 27 & 28 - Palace of Southfield,
25228 Twelve Mile Rd.

Pct. 29 - Stevenson School,
27777 Lahser Rd.

Pcts. 30 & 31 - Christian Tabernacle Church,
26555 Franklin Rd.

Pcts. 32 & 33 - Stevenson School,
27777 Lahser Rd.

Pct. 34 - Christian Tabernacle Church,
26555 Franklin Rd.

Pcts. 35 & 36 - Hope United Methodist,
26275 Northwestern Hwy.

Pcts. 37 & 38 - Levey Middle School,
25300 Nine Mile Rd.

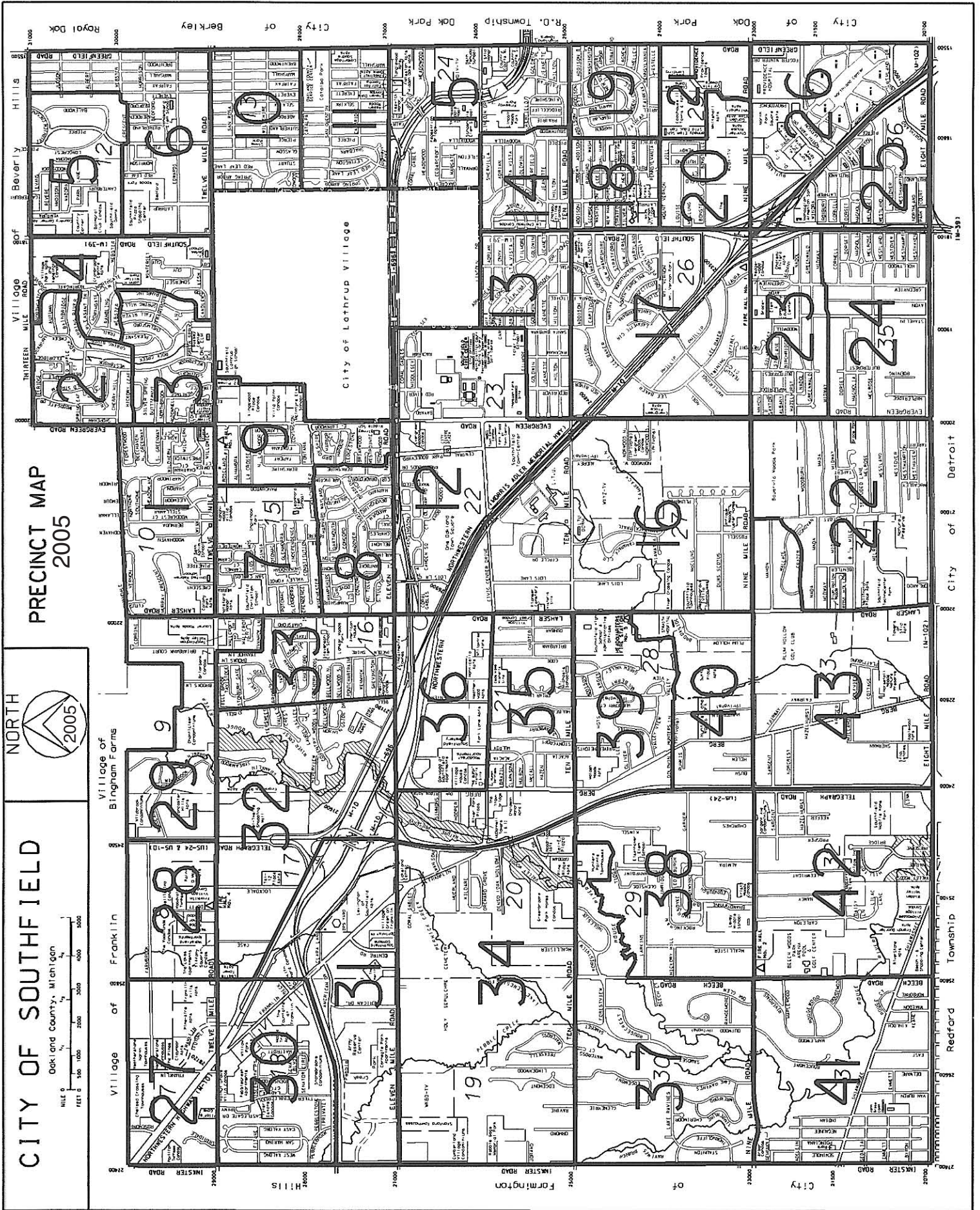
Pct. 39 - Oakland Church of Christ,
23333 Ten Mile Rd.

Pct. 40 - Levey Middle School,
25300 Nine Mile Rd.

Pcts. 41 & 42 - Beech Woods Rec. Ctr.,
22200 Beech Rd.

Pct. 43 - VFW Hall,
24222 Nine Mile Rd.

*See Page 10 for new Voting
Precinct Map*



Animal Control Services

Problem	Solution
WILD ANIMAL PROBLEMS	CITY TRAPS RACOONS AND COYOTES ONLY * - CONTACT POLICE AT (248) 796-5500
ANIMAL BITE	CONTACT POLICE AT (248) 796-5500
PET LICENSING QUESTIONS	CONTACT POLICE RECORDS AT (248) 796-5580
LOOSE DOMESTIC ANIMALS	CONTACT POLICE AT (248) 796-5500
RAT PROBLEMS	CONTACT CODE COMPLIANCE AT (248) 796-4149
UNWANTED OR LOST DOG OR CAT	CONTACT MICHIGAN HUMANE SOCIETY AT (743) 721-7300
DEAD WILD ANIMAL ON PRIVATE PROPERTY	PUT IN A GARBAGE BAG AND THROW OUT WITH TRASH (<i>CITY DOES NOT PICK UP</i>)
DEAD ANIMAL NOT ON PRIVATE PROPERTY	CONTACT POLICE AT (248) 796-5500
BEE OR WASP PROBLEM	CITY DOES NOT HANDLE BEES, CHECK YELLOW PAGES
<i>* Other wild animal problems are at the homeowner's expense.</i>	

Snow Removal Guidelines

Simple measures can be taken to ensure the safety of pedestrians and drivers during the winter months. Southfield City ordinance requires residents and businesses clear their sidewalks in a timely fashion for pedestrian safety and to expedite mail delivery.

To minimize snow buildup in front of driveways, residents should remember to shovel snow from left to right as they face the street. Residents should also remember to remove all vehicles from the street whenever there is a significant snowfall to aid in plowing. Fire hydrants and catch basins should also be kept as clear as possible.

Rental Registration

City ordinance requires all one and two-family rental properties be inspected and certified every two years. Landlords, please comply with this ordinance! Let's work together to Keep Southfield Beautiful! Call Lorna Boulware in Housing at (248) 796-4177.

Fire Hydrant Ordinance

By City ordinance, all fire hydrants must be visible and accessible for fire service use. Please do not block or pile snow over hydrants and advise any maintenance or snow removal service of the importance of clear, accessible hydrants.

It is also important to maintain proper heat temperatures in stairwells with sprinklers or hose connections to keep water lines from freezing.

For more information, please call Fire Headquarters during regular business hours at (248) 796-5607.

Looking for work or trying to fill a position?



The Southfield Career Center (SCC) is here to help with all of your employment needs. The Southfield Career Center has been identified as one of the “best kept secrets” available for individuals who are looking for employment today, or for employers looking to fill vacant positions within their organization. **All of our services/resources are available to you free of charge.**

Job Seekers

SCC is designed to help job seekers achieve their career goals. If you are unemployed or just want a new job, our Resource Center can facilitate your job search. We offer fax machines, copiers, computers and career resource materials, including: up-to-date resources on interviewing, schools, companies, resume writing, and much, much more! Post your resume and view job orders in Michigan’s Talent and Job Banks.

Services/Resources available include:

- Computer/Internet Access
- Job listings/postings
- Labor Market Information
- Job Search Related Workshops (Resume Writing, Interviewing, Job Search Techniques & More)

For more information, please call (248) 796-4580

SCC is here to offer **FREE assistance** in finding solutions to your human resource needs. For over 25 years, we have been providing support to the business community in recruiting and training qualified candidates. Whether you need entry-level, technical, or management personnel, our qualified staff can assist with the matching and job placement process.

Services/Resources Available Include:

- Post openings/view resumes
 - Outplacement services
 - Interviewing rooms
- And more...

For more information, please call Denise at (248) 796-4573.

Division of the City of Southfield Department of Human Services, funded by the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth through the Oakland County Workforce Development Board. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Equal Opportunity Program/Employer

Noise Ordinance Reminder

The City of Southfield encourages residents to be neighborly and considerate when congregating, playing music or engaging in activities that may disturb other residents. Violations of the City’s Noise Ordinance are misdemeanor offenses. The City’s Noise Ordinance prohibits the following:

Excessive Noises - Excessive noises are defined as loud, unusual sounds and vibrations that affect the peace and quiet of others and are considered nuisances. Sound amplifying equipment mounted on vehicles should not be operated unless the sound truck on which the equipment is mounted and operated is moving at least 10 miles per hour, except when the vehicle is topped or impeded by traffic.

Loud sounds should not be within 100 yards of schools, hospitals, or churches. Sound volume should be controlled so that it cannot be heard 100 feet from the noise source. The volume should not be unreasonably loud, harsh, grating, disturbing, or a nuisance to anyone within the area.

Horns and Signals - When a car is not in motion, the sounding of car horns, alarms or signal devices is not allowed unless the signals are necessary to alert or warn another vehicle or pedestrian.

Radios & Musical Instruments - Radios, televisions, or any musical instruments should be played at a moderate volume, particularly between the hours of 11 p.m. – 7 a.m. to avoid annoying and disturbing the quiet and comfort of anyone in the area.

Shouting & Whistling - Avoid yelling, shouting, whistling, singing or making any other loud noises on public streets, particularly between the hours of 11 p.m. – 7 a.m. to avoid disturbing the quiet and comfort of residents in the area.



Southfield Public Library

26300 Evergreen Road

(248) 796-4200

Mon. - Thur., 9:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Fri. & Sat., 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sun. (during the school year), 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Visit us on the web at www.sfldlib.org**John Grace Branch**

21030 Indian

(248) 796-4290

Mon., Tue., & Thur., 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Wed., 1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Fri., 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

1ST ANNUAL SOUTHFIELD BOOKS & BEYOND FESTIVAL

Saturday & Sunday, September 17 & 18 from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. on the Southfield Civic Center Lawn

Southfield Books & Beyond Festival is Southfield's largest literary event. Celebrating books as a valuable source of learning, information and entertainment. This two-day celebration of the written word offers free literary events to honor book culture and promote reading and literacy. Activities will include readings, book signings, local authors, storytelling, children's activities, a used book sale, musical performances and much, much more.

Southfield Books & Beyond Festival's Featured Authors:**Saturday, September 17**

1:00 p.m. – Ernie Panicioli, acclaimed hip-hop photographer and author of *Who Shot Ya?*, contributor to *There's a God on the Mic* and many other books.

3:30 p.m. – Betty DeRamus, Detroit News columnist and author of *Forbidden Fruit: Love Stories from the Underground Railroad*.

**Sunday, September 18**

1:30 p.m. – Mark Crilley, author and illustrator of the *Akiko & Billy Clikk* series.

3:30 p.m. – Cyd Moore, children's books illustrator of *I Love You Stinky Face*, *Where is the Night Train Going*, *The Most Thankful Thing* and many more.

The festival will also include Amyre Makupson, Bill Warters, Nick Rombes, Ivory Williams and a host of other local authors. Stop by the library for more details or visit our Web site at: www.sfldlib.org/books&beyond/B&B.html

LIBRARY PROGRAMS**Library Tours**

Discover the many features that the Library offers with a 45 minute tour. Tours begin in the Tower Lobby.

Tuesdays - September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6, January 3, February 7 & March 7 at 7:00 p.m.

Local Author Book Fairs

Come meet and talk with a variety of local authors. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Wednesday, November 9, 2005 from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room

Including: Jacqueline Castine, *I Wish I Could Fix It, But...*; Kenneth E. Howard, *Chains Of Despair*; Glenna Livingston, *How I Got By: A Family Saga*; Karen Shadd, RN, *Pumping Up the Heartbeat*; Rose Moten Solomon, *My Fight for Air*; and Special Guest Speaker Gail Martin, *Finding Christmas*, will speak about how to 'hook a reader.'

Thursday, January 26, 2006 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room

Authors to be announced.

Book Discussion @ Your Library

Tuesdays - September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13, January 10, February 14 & March 14 at 2:00

p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Southfield History Room. Southfield Public Library is pleased to host its own book discussion group. Different book discussed every month. Call (248) 796-4381 to find out what book is being featured next.

Creecy Series

Featuring Marta Salij, book critic for the Detroit Free Press. Thoughtful discussion on books and the publishing industry. Tuesday, October 18 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Authors @ Your Library

Freshwater Road by Denise Nicholas

The story of one African-American woman's journey into adulthood via the political and social upheavals of the civil rights movement. Wednesday, October 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

Humanities

Using a specially prepared anthology from literature, philosophy, history and art, our moderators will guide participants in reading and discussing these thoughtful selections. Limited enrollment. Registration at Guest Services Desk or by calling the Library at (248) 796-4224.

Fall Humanities - The Search for Meaning

Thursday, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – September 15, 22, 29; October 6, 20, 27; November 3, 10, 17

Winter Humanities – Images of Aging

Thursday, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. – January 12, 19, 26; February 2, 9, 16, 23; March 2, 9

Opera @ Your Library

- Tuesday, October 11 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Auditorium
Dr. Wallace Peace, opera expert and educator, conducts a discussion of Giacomo Puccini's *La Boheme*.
- Tuesday, October 18 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Auditorium
Come see a film of *La Boheme*.

Jazz & Blues @ the Southfield Public Library

Wednesdays, September 21, October 19, November 16, December 14, January 18, February 15 & March 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Enjoy jazz and blues music with a great variety of programs including live performances, documentaries and more.

September – Enjoy a jazz performance by well-known pianists Johnny Allen and Charles Boles along with John Dana on bass and Bert Myrick on drums.

October – Wayne State University students and jazz musicians the Jonathon Dixon Quartette, Jonathon Dixon on piano, Ben Luttermoser on base and Nate Winn on drums will perform.

November – Vincent York's Jazzistry uses musical imagery to provide a entertaining and educational historic overview of jazz.

NEW!

Jazz & Blues Legends Film Series

Tuesdays, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6, January 3, February 7 & March 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium.

September – Fats Waller; October – B.B. King; November – Thelonious Monk; December – Muddy Waters

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Family Dinner Theater Series

Sponsored in partnership with the Southfield Public Library & Southfield Public Schools. Bring the whole family, a blanket and a picnic dinner to the Southfield Public Library's Meeting Room. Dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. and the

performances begin at 7:00 p.m. Limited to children who live or attend school in Southfield and Lathrup Village. Registration is required. Please call the Youth Services Desk for more information at (248) 796-4240.

Wednesday, October 26 - Sadecky's puppets present the classic tale of Peter Pan. The show has all new songs and state of the art visual effects make this a memorable production for all ages.

Wednesday, November 30 - Madcap puppets presents Monkey See, Monkey Do, a rollicking tale of animal stories from around the world sparked by monkeys who have escaped from the zoo.

Readers' Theatre

Southfield Public Library's Teen Performers bring stories to life for children and their families to enjoy. Thursday, November 17 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Family Story Time

Children of all ages will enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays.

Thursdays, September 8, October 6, November 10, December 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station.

YOUTH STORY TIMES

Lapsit Story Time

Stories, songs, finger plays, social interaction and playing. Designed to introduce books to the very young. For 6-18 month-olds with caregiver. Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station. Series 1 - September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19. Series 2 - November 9, 16, 23, 30; December 7, 14.

Toddler Story Time

Toddlers will hear stories, learn finger plays, develop social interaction skills and enjoy a free-play time. For 1½ - 3 years old with caregiver. Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station. Series 1 - September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18. Series 2 - November 8, 15, 22, 29; December 6, 13.

Preschool Story Time

Preschoolers will hear stories, learn finger plays and sing songs. For preschoolers, ages 3-5, not yet in Kindergarten. Fridays at 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station. Series 1 - September 9, 16, 23, 30; October 7. Series 2 - October 28; November 4, 18; December 2.

Bookworm Bunch

Come and join us for stories, craft projects and science experiments! For kindergarteners and 1st graders. No registration required. Tuesdays, September 27, October 25, November 29 & December 13 at 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station.

Ravenous Readers

Book discussion group for 2nd and 3rd graders. Limited to children who live or attend school in Southfield and Lathrup Village. Registration is required, space is limited. Register at the Youth Services desk. Tuesdays, September 20, October 18, November 22 & December 13 at 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station.

Arts and Science @ Your Library

Experience the arts and sciences at the Library during this Saturday series. For Pre-K through 5th graders, accompanied by an adult. Saturdays, September 24, November 19 & December 17 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station.

Join us for these fun hands-on science programs designed for the very young. For 2 ½ - 6 year olds, accompanied by an adult. Registration required, limited to students who live or attend school in Southfield or Lathrup Village. Wednesday, September 21 at 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.; Saturday, October 15 at 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station. *In Partnership with the Southfield Public Library & Southfield Public Schools.*

National Children's Book Week November 14 - 20

Reading adds color to your day! Children's Book Council's National Children's Book Week encourages children and the adults who care for them, to spend time each day with a favorite book. The following activities will be available at the Library during National Children's Book Week:

- Tuesday, November 15 - Toddler Story Time, 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station
- Wednesday, November 16 - Lapsit, 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station
- Thursday, November 17 - Readers' Theatre with Teen performers, 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room
- Friday, November 18 - Preschool Story Time, 10:00 a.m. in the Storytime Space Station
- Saturday, November 19 - Science Program, 2:00 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station

TEEN PROGRAMS

For those in grades 6th - 12th who live or attend school in Southfield or Lathrup Village.

Teen Read Week - Sunday, October 16 - Saturday, October 22. Teens celebrate Get Real @ Your Library with special events!

Poetry Slam - Monday, October 17, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Come perform an original piece of poetry that you have written, at this popular annual event. Registration is required by phone or in person at the Library Guest Services desk, (248) 796-4224.

Teen Author Program - Saturday, October 22, 2:00- 3:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. Join local teen author, Dana Davidson as she talks about experience as new author and on her two books, *Jason* and *Kyra* and the upcoming *Play*.

Reality Round-Up: A Matching Game from Sunday, October 16 - Friday, October 28 in Club Q & A. Test your TV smarts by matching Reality TV Stars with their shows. Winners will be contacted on Monday, October 31.

Readers' Theatre Auditions - Monday, October 24 at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Storytime Space Station. Be a part of this fabulous acting group. No script to memorize and a chance to earn volunteer service hours!

Battle of the Books

Battle of the Books is a program designed to encourage the sport of reading and to give recognition to those who like to read. All 4th and 5th graders and middle school students who live or attend school in Southfield or Lathrup Village may participate in this program.

4th & 5th Grades and Middle School Challenge Battle of the Books Kick-Off - October 20, 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room - *For adult managers ONLY.*

4th & 5th Grades and Middle School Challenge Battle of the books Update Meetings - December 7 and 8, 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room - *For adult managers ONLY.*

Wednesday, January 11 - **Middle School Challenge**, 7:00 p.m., held at the Southfield Pavilion
Wednesday, January 18 - **4th Grade Battle of the Books**, 7:00 p.m., held at the Southfield Pavilion
Thursday, January 19 - **5th Grade Battle of the Books**, 7:00 p.m., held at the Southfield Pavilion
All Battles begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Please join us in the audience by 6:45 p.m. on Battle night.

February 2 High School Battle of the Books Kick-Off from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. *For adult managers ONLY*
March 9 High School Battle of the Books Update Meeting from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. *For adult managers ONLY*
April 6, 2006 - **High School Battle of the Books**, 7:00 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
All Battles begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Please join us in the audience by 6:45 p.m. on Battle nights.

EXHIBITS**September**

Tower Lobby – Learn about 1st Annual Southfield Books & Beyond Festival – September 17 & 18 on the Southfield Civic Center Lawn. On display through September 18.

Tower Lobby – Story Of Money collection from the Children's Museum on display September 19 – October 31

2nd Level Gallery Wall – Contemporary International Bookplates from the collection of The American Society of Bookplate Collectors & Designers. This rotating exhibit includes superb bookplate prints by 358 artists representing 38 countries - more than 500 designs in total. Different bookplates will be on display between September 15 & December 28.

WOW Wall – Mind your manners, a collection of etiquette books from Elaine Harris.

3rd Level Gallery Wall – Photographs by Sara Vazirian Tabaei

3rd Level Southfield History Room – Early Settlers of Southfield donated by Elizabeth Sturman Salier

October

Tower Lobby - Story Of Money collection from the Children's Museum on display September 19 – October 31

2nd level Gallery Wall - BOOK PLATES Exhibit

Cubes 2nd & 3rd level, Juanita Hatcher

WOW Wall – Phillipino history month display

November

2nd level Gallery Wall - BOOK PLATES Exhibit

WOW Wall – Nature and Wildlife photography by Ron Meyer

Cubes – Snowflakes by Nancy Haller

December

Lobby Display - Our Heritage from East Asia from the Children's Museum

2nd Level Gallery Wall - BOOK PLATES Exhibit

3rd Level Gallery Wall – photographs by Joseph Aldini

February

Lobby Display – MAEA Student Art Exhibit

March

2nd level Gallery Wall – Hugh G. Cary Floral Photography

**DESCENDANTS OF THE SILK ROAD: EXCHANGES BETWEEN EAST & WEST
ON DISPLAY THROUGH OCTOBER 9 ON THE 2ND LEVEL.**

This exhibit combines 40 stunning objects from the world-renowned collection of Cranbrook Institute of Science to explore the story of the historic Silk Road. Artifacts such as musical instruments, jade objects and sculptures showcase the far-reaching effects of the trade networks and the lasting impact on the inhabitants of the Silk Road. The Descendants of the Silk Road highlights three themes: Travel, Trade and Exchange of Ideas; Art and Religion & Life and Music.

Originating in the 2nd century B.C., the Silk Road was a series of interconnecting trade routes linking the people and traditions of Asia with those of Europe. While the Silk Road received its name from the import of eastern silk, items such as cloth, jewels, rugs and personal items were also transported. More importantly, ideas and knowledge were shared along the road, dramatically changing many people and cultures over time.

Stories along the Silk Road

Michele Gauthier will tell stories from along the Silk Road. She tells tales stretching from China to Turkey and many places in between. Wednesday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room. *Descendants of the Silk Road* was created by Cranbrook Institute of Science. This exhibition and its education initiatives are made possible by a grant from the Ford Motor Company Fund.

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FRIENDS BOOK CELLAR

The Friends Book Sales are held monthly in the Friends Book Cellar on the lower level of the Library.

September 1, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
September 17, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
September 18, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

October 6, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
October 8, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 9, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

November 3, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
November 5, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
November 6, 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

December 1, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
December 3, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
December 4, 1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

January 5, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
January 7, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
January 8, 1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

February 2, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
February 4, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
February 5, 1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

March 2, 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
March 4, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 5, 1:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Look for the Friends book sale at our first annual Books & Beyond Festival, September 17 & 18.

The book sale offers an excellent variety of books, sheet music, audio and video cassettes, DVDs, CDs and current monthly magazines at very reasonable prices. Donations from the public are accepted at the Library throughout the year. Proceeds from the Friends' book sales are used to fund Library programs and other special projects that otherwise might not be possible.

New Computer Classes

Computer classes are available for Southfield and Lathrup Village residents only. You must register in person. There is a non-refundable \$5.00 charge per class payable in cash at the time of registration. There will be no walk-in class attendance. All classes run for 1 ½ - 2 hours. A general understanding of computers and mouse competency is recommended unless noted. Please call (248) 796-4200 or visit the library for class schedules.

NEW!

Photo Editing: Practice editing photos using Microsoft Picture Manager. Learn the built-in printing features of Windows XP. **Bring your digital camera with a camera card or connection cord. Card readers provided.**

NEW!

Resumes Made Easy: Learn about Microsoft resume templates and other templates designed to make creating documents for your business or personal use easier than starting from scratch.

NEW!

Google and Beyond: Learn to turbo-charge your Internet experience with the world's most popular search engine! This class is a fun, fast-paced look at the newest and niftiest features of Internet searching.

NEW!

Choosing an Internet Service Provider: Students will explore the vast range of ISP's and the issues involved in selecting one. Free. No registration required.

What's Happening in Southfield

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- August 17** - Last Gazebo Concert, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Burgh Historical Park
August 24 - Senior Appreciation Day, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., various sites
August 26 - 9-Hole Steak Barbeque Golf Tournament, 4 p.m., Evergreen Hills Golf Course
September 8 - Last Eat to the Beat concert, 12 noon - 2 p.m., City Centre Plaza
September 10 - Autumnfest, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mary Thompson Farm
September 13 - Primary Election, polls open 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., various sites
September 17 - 18-Hole Red, White & Blue Scramble, 9 a.m., Beech Woods Golf Course
Southfield Books & Beyond Festival, 12 - 5 p.m., Southfield Public Library
American Heart Association Walk, 7:30 a.m. - 12 noon, Southfield Municipal Complex
September 18 - Southfield Books & Beyond Festival, 1 - 5 p.m., Southfield Public Library
September 25 - Fire Dept. Open House, 12 noon - 4 p.m., Fire Headquarters
October 7 - SRO Productions 'Talley's Folly' opens (runs Oct. 7-9, 14-16, & 21-23), Burgh Historical Park
October 22 - 8-Hole Chili & Beer Scramble, 10 a.m., Evergreen Hills Golf Course
October 29 - Boo at the Burgh, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., Burgh Historical Park
October 7 - Snow Drop Contest begins (through Nov. 28)
November 8 - General Election, polls open 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., various sites
November 10 - Veterans' Day Ceremony, 11 a.m., City Hall
November 21 - Inauguration, 7:30 p.m., Southfield Municipal Complex
November 28 - Snow Drop Contest winner chosen, 12:00 noon
November 29 - Burgh Tree Lighting Ceremony, 7 p.m., Burgh Historical Park
December 5 - Tree Lighting/Visits with Santa, 6:45 p.m., Southfield Municipal Complex
March 28 - Southfield/Red Cross Community Blood Drive, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., Southfield Pavilion
March 29 - Southfield/Red Cross Community Blood Drive, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., Southfield Pavilion

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