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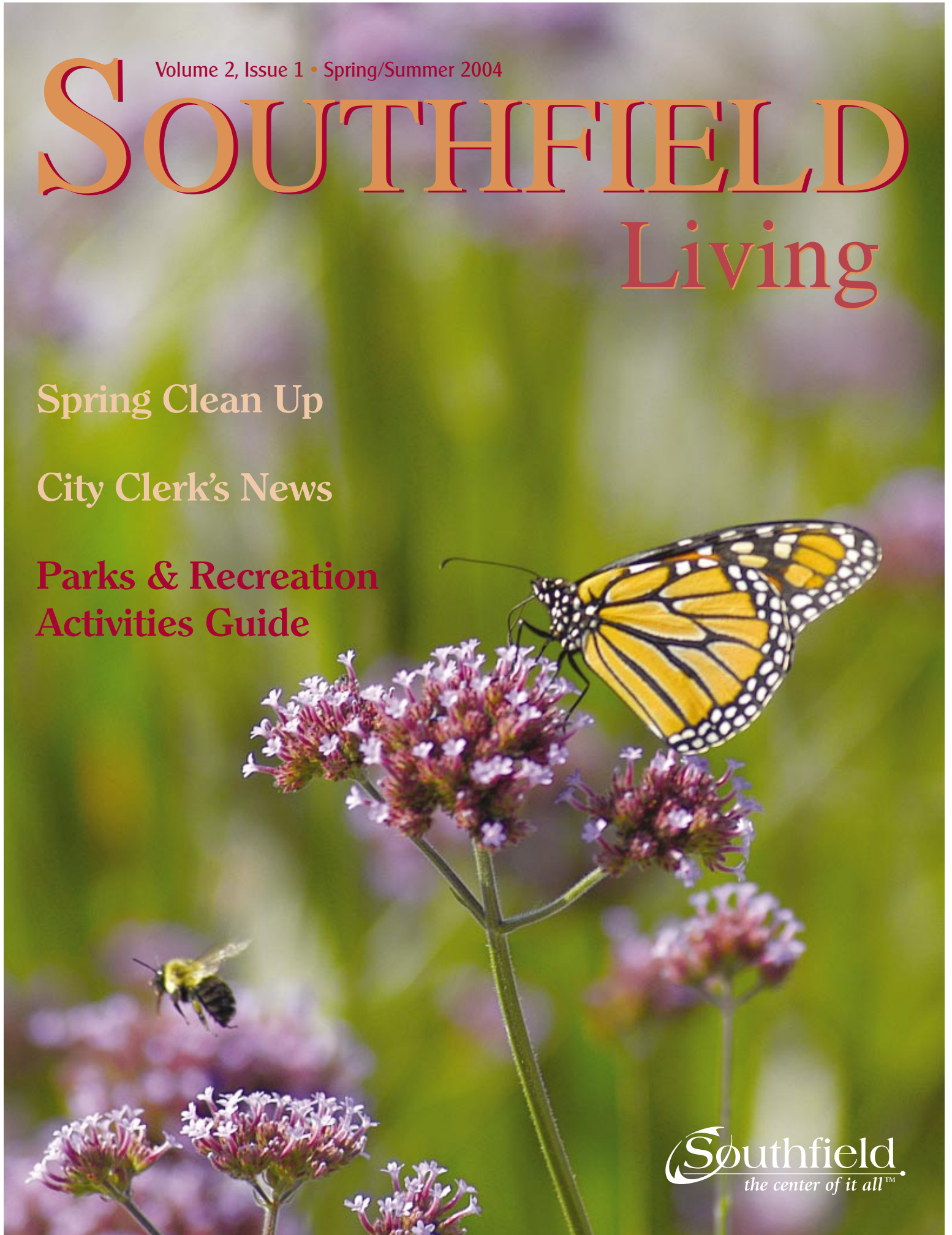
# SOUTHFIELD

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**Donald J. Gross**

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# On the Horizon

by Donald J. Gross, *City Administrator*

This will be my last  
"On the Horizon"

message to the residents of the City of Southfield. As I near my retirement date of June 30, I reflect upon my 38 years with the City. It is with some sadness, but much appreciation, that I remember the challenges, the opportunities, the ups, and the downs that have been extremely rewarding both professionally and personally. Serving the residents and the business community of Southfield has been one of the most pleasurable experiences that a professional could have.

Since 1966, I have participated in the growth of the city from a small suburban community of 31,000 people to a dynamic urban center of over 78,000. The development of major urban centers such as Southfield Town Center, Tel-Twelve Mall, the American Center and numerous subdivisions has been a planner's dream. The development of the Civic Center, park lands, the new library and other amenities for the community has made Southfield the

envy of the metropolitan area.

The City of Southfield continues to progress thanks to the leadership of its elected officials and the professionalism of its staff. Without the progressiveness of past and present leaders, the City of Southfield would not be in the position it is in today. The City is, however, confronted with the same problems as every other community in the State of Michigan. We are experiencing decreasing revenues from the state and national governments, existing tax legislation has impacted our ability to recognize growth, and as we become more developed and urbanized we are confronted with the historical problems of an aging infrastructure. However, with the commitment of the Mayor and City Council, the dedication of the city staff, and the understanding and willingness of the community to deal with these issues, the city will be able to weather any storm.

The next few years will be extremely challenging for

communities to continue to provide the services that residents have become accustomed. Reduction of government will have an impact on the number of employees in the City, but it is with high expectations that the quality of life will be maintained. As your City Administrator, I ask that you be a part of the solution and become active and involved in your community.

I would like to thank all the people that I have come to know over these many years - the subdivision association presidents; the boards and commissions of the City; existing and former staff members and legislators; the school board and administration; businesses and Chamber of Commerce members; my peers in local, county and state government; and you the individual resident. You have all made my job enjoyable.

Let me conclude by saying that a City is more than a group of buildings, it is a statement - a way of life, a quality of life, a group of individuals, families, and businesses that come together to develop goals and objectives and work together to implement them - now and *ON THE HORIZON...*

## Southfield Community Blood/Bone Marrow Drive

The City of Southfield and the American Red Cross will sponsor a community-wide blood/bone marrow drive on March 23 and March 24. The need for blood and marrow donations is greater than ever and everyone who is able to donate is strongly encouraged to do so. The drive will take place on two consecutive dates as follows:

**Tuesday, March 23, 2004 from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.**

Southfield Pavilion - 26000 Evergreen Road at 10 1/2 Mile Road

**Wednesday, March 24, 2004 from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.**

Southfield Pavilion - 26000 Evergreen Road at 10 1/2 Mile Road



*Together, we can save a life*

"America's blood banks are currently facing a critical shortage of blood. Replenishing our supply of this life-giving resource is an urgent national priority," said U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson. "Donating blood is a simple, safe, life-saving and selfless gift that millions of Americans can give. Please make an appointment today to give the gift of life and alleviate critical shortages to our blood supply."

In order to donate participants must be at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good general health. There is no upper age limit. Light refreshments will be available. Appointments are encouraged and may be made by calling Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For general questions regarding blood/marrow donations or procedures, call the American Red Cross at (313) 494-2779.



# It's Spring Clean Up Time in Southfield



Spring has sprung! It's time to clean, paint and plant throughout Southfield.

While strolling through the community, you will notice the beautifully maintained lawns and landscapes in our neighborhoods, along residential streets and down the main roads.

Everyone contributes to keeping Southfield beautiful. It is through the commitment, pride and effort of residents, the business community and public facilities that we maintain our homes, commercial buildings and property.

This year's residential Spring Clean Up will be held on five consecutive Saturdays beginning on April 17 (see the map at right for schedule).

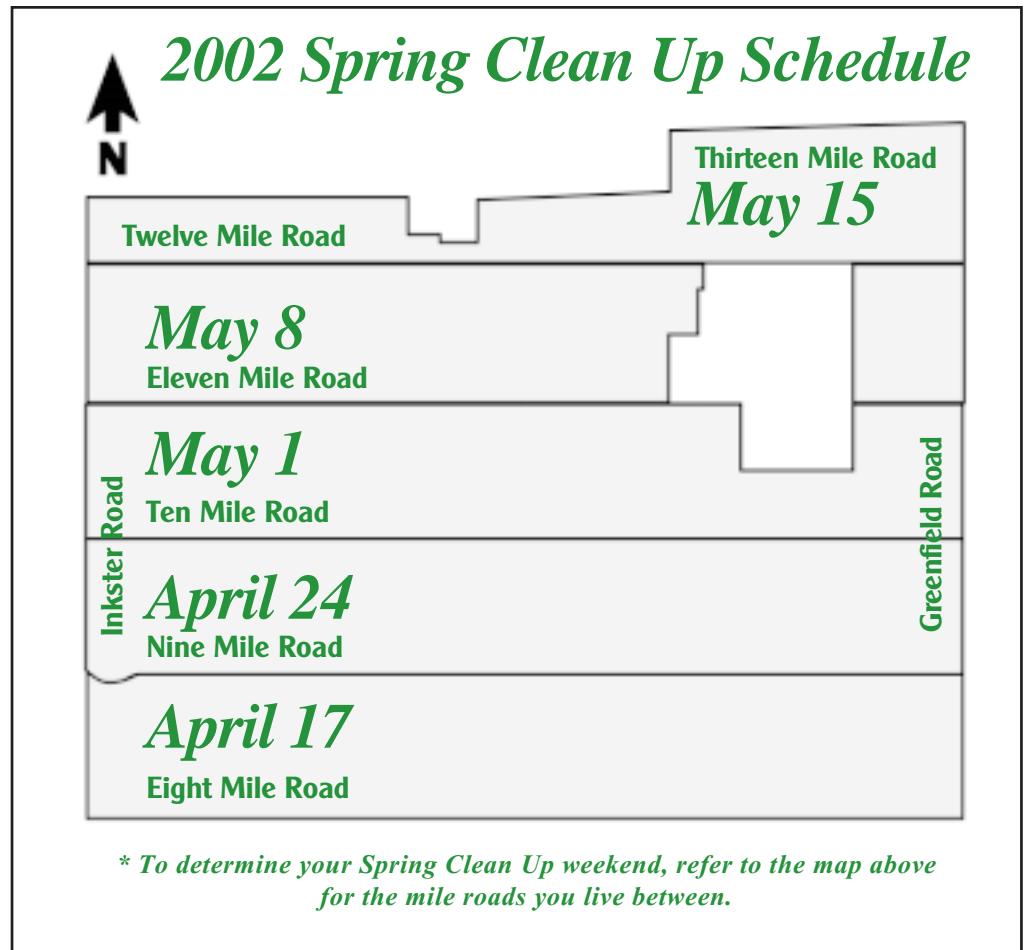
Homeowners and renters are encouraged to discard unwanted items from their attics, basements, garages, yards, and toolsheds.

Pick up crews only come through a neighborhood once, so make sure your trash is out on time. All items for pick up must be placed at the curb by 6:30 a.m. on the homeowner's designated day. Residents have the option to place trash on the curb after 4 p.m. on Friday evening if Saturday morning is not feasible.

Household hazardous waste materials are not accepted during the Spring Clean Up pick up; however, these items will be accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Day on May 22 at RRRASOC.

Concrete (two cubic yards maximum) is accepted, but only if it is generated by the resident and is not a result of contract work.

Branches and bushes placed at the curb will be removed by workers with brush chippers. Remember to place



them with their cut ends to the curb. We ask you to be patient; depending upon the amount of branches at the curb, it may take longer than your designated day to take care of them. To preserve the community's natural beauty, a City ordinance forbids cutting down trees until the Planning Department has checked them first - *a permit may be required!* Contact the Planning Department at (248) 796-4150 before considering tree removal.

Homeowners are encouraged to not save their spring cleaning items just for Spring Clean Up weekends, since most items can be placed at the curb during regular weekly trash collection. Spring Clean Up provides a once-a-year opportunity to discard large volumes of unwanted items.

If you're not sure where to start, try this checklist to help you with Spring Clean

Up projects:

- \_\_\_ Clean common areas and entranceways, tidy plantings and add flowers
- \_\_\_ Remove and replace old shrubs
- \_\_\_ Clear debris from yards
- \_\_\_ Maintain subdivision islands and berms
- \_\_\_ Clear culverts, storm drains and ditch lines
- \_\_\_ Replace broken and falling gutters
- \_\_\_ Improve landscaping around homes and businesses
- \_\_\_ Keep sidewalks clear of debris
- \_\_\_ Keep lawns mowed and pick up dead leaves (or use as mulch around shrubs)
- \_\_\_ Renovate the outside of buildings
- \_\_\_ Spruce up signs
- \_\_\_ Paint homes and businesses

## Household Hazardous Waste Day – May 22

Household Hazardous Waste Day is an annual day devoted to discarding household hazardous waste materials. The Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County (RRRASOC) continues to coordinate these events. This year, Saturday, May 22 has been designated Hazardous Waste Day from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the RRRASOC center, located at 20000 W. 8 Mile Road (please enter from Mapleridge, one block east of Evergreen Road). The program is sponsored by the City of Southfield with services provided by Environmental Recycling Technical Services.

Southfield residents may also take advantage of additional Household Hazardous Waste Days in the following RRRASOC communities:

**Wixom** on Saturday, April 24 at Wixom Dept. of Public Works, 2041 Charms Road, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Farmington** on Saturday, May 8 at the Castick Center, 28600 Eleven Mile Road, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Lyon Township** on Saturday, June 5 at Lyon Township Park, 58000 Grand River, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Novi** on Saturday, September 18 at Novi City Hall, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please be prepared to show proof of residency; Hazardous Waste Materials from businesses will not be accepted.

Items not accepted include large quantities of unknown materials, radioactive waste, including smoke detectors, explosives, unstable wastes, pressurized fire extinguishers, unknown gas cylinders, and substances regulated by the Drug Enforcement Agency. If an item is judged unacceptable, it will be repackaged if necessary, so that the resident can work with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to dispose of it properly.

The following items **ARE ACCEPTED** on Household Hazardous Waste Days:

**Household** - Bug Sprays, Floor Care Products, Furniture Polish, Metal Polish with Solvent, Expired Medicine, Nail Polish, Drain Openers and Cleaners, Computer Equipment

**Garden** - Fungicides, Herbicides, Insecticides, Pesticides

**Garage** - Automatic Transmission Fluid, Auto Batteries or Battery Acid, Brake Fluid, Car Wax with Solvent, Diesel Fuel, Fuel Oil, Gasoline, Kerosene, Metal Polish with Solvent, Motor Oils, Other Oils, Antifreeze

**Workshop** - Fluorescent Light Bulbs, Cutting Oil, Glue (Solvent Based), Oil Based Paint, Automobile Paint, Paint Thinner, Paint Stripper, Primer, Turpentine, Varnish, Wood Preservatives

For more information, call Southfield Public Works Department at (248) 796-4860 or RRRASOC at (248) 208-2270.

## Southfield Code Enforcement Reminder

As the temperatures begin to warm, it's time to take a look at the outdoor appearance of our homes. The City's Code Enforcement Division reminds homeowners of the importance of maintaining their homes' appearance as a positive factor contributing to Southfield's quality of life.

An attractive neighborhood is vital to a community's "curb appeal." Your home is a big investment and keeping it well maintained secures that value. Step outside and take a critical look at your property. Are you being a good neighbor and adding to the curb appeal of your neighborhood? Doing our part to contribute to the positive appearance of our homes creates a feeling of pride in our neighborhoods.

Code Enforcement also reminds residents about the City's grass ordinance, which requires lawns to be cut regularly and kept neat. Landscaping should be free of litter and shrubs trimmed on a regular basis. In order to preserve the community's natural beauty, the City of Southfield has a Tree Ordinance. Residents and/or their contractors must consult with the Planning Department, (248) 796-4158, before cutting down any trees on their property.

Residents also are reminded NOT to place YARD WASTE in plastic bags. They will not be picked up. Yard waste must be placed in paper yard waste bags or in a rigid container marked yard waste. Trash is not to be placed at the curb before 4 p.m., the evening before trash pick up. Garbage cans and recycling bins must be removed no later than noon the day following trash collection.

Let's all do our part to keep our neighborhoods looking good and to be a source of pride for everyone! For more information, contact Code Enforcement at (248) 796-4140

## Southfield Flower Day

The City of Southfield will host the 2nd annual Southfield Flower Day on Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on the front lawn of City Hall.

The event is sponsored by Mayor Lawrence to promote curb appeal and the beautification of Southfield. Many varieties of annual and perennial flowers, plants and vegetables will be offered for sale from several Southfield vendors. For more information, call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130.

# City Clerk's News

Nancy L. M. Banks, City Clerk



## PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION YEAR

The City Clerk's Office is making preparations for the election cycle of 2004. The election dates for 2004 are:

**School Election -**

*June 14*

**Presidential Primary Election -**

*August 3*

**Presidential General Election -**

*November 2*

Additional information regarding this year's elections will be available from the City Clerk's Office or on the Southfield Web site, [www.cityofsouthfield.com](http://www.cityofsouthfield.com).

## 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, will be mailed the Absent Voter Application. 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. Watch for additional information during the election season, or contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 796-5150.

## CLOSE OF REGISTRATION

Michigan election law states that you must be registered to vote 30 days in advance of an election. If you are not currently registered to vote in Southfield, please visit the City Clerk's Office, or any Secretary of State branch office. 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 CHANGES

In March, 2003, the Southfield City Council enacted Ordinance No. 1494, amending the City Code to consolidate the number of voting precincts in Southfield. The Precinct Consolidation Plan reduced the number of voting precincts from 50 to 43, and trimmed the number of polling locations from 25 to 19. The plan provides for a more equal balance of actual voters at the precincts, a cost-savings in both personnel and equipment, and helps eliminate long lines on election day.

To streamline the election process even further, new precinct numbers were assigned and changes in some polling locations were made to allow easier access to the polls for Southfield voters. In September, 2003, all registered voters in Southfield were mailed a new Voter Identification Card, identifying their new precinct number and polling location. Valid Voter I.D. Cards are dated 09/02/2003 to present. Any registered voter who has not received a newer Voter Identification Card should contact the City Clerk's Office at

(248) 796-5150. To view voting precincts and polling locations in Southfield, refer to the New Precinct Locations information and Precinct Map in this publication, or visit the City Web site at [www.cityofsouthfield.com](http://www.cityofsouthfield.com).

## NEW VOTING EQUIPMENT TECHNOLOGY

Did you notice the use of laptop computers during the November General Election? The 2003 Local Election was the first time laptop computers were put to use at the polls. As a result of the precinct consolidation plan, and with the support and generosity of Lawrence Technological University, election workers were able to verify the precinct number and voting location via the laptop computers on-site for voters.

## PASSPORTS

Are you 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 \$55 for an adult 16 years of age or older; \$40 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.

## PROTECT YOUR PERSONAL IDENTITY

The City of Southfield, in conjunction with the Southfield School District, will again offer "free" shredding to consumers in recognition of "Personal Privacy Day," on Saturday, April 17, 2004, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Identity theft is the fastest growing form of financial fraud for consumers. Identity theft occurs when someone has stolen a name, credit card, social security number, birthdate or another piece of personal information from your tax returns, credit card statements, receipts, pre-approved credit forms, bank checks and statements.

Consumers may bring personal information to be securely destroyed by a mobile shredding truck at the Southfield High School parking lot located at Ten Mile and Lahser Roads.

## GARAGE SALE PERMITS

Spring marks the beginning of the garage sale season, wherein Southfield residents may sell used personal property such as clothing, garden tools, toys or other second hand items customarily found in and about the home. The term "garage sale" also includes reference to "Basement Sale," "Attic Sale," and "Estate Sale."

The Southfield City Code allows residents to hold a garage sale once every six months. Residents may obtain their garage sale permits from the City Clerk's Office. The cost of the permit includes one (1) sign for a small fee. One additional sign may be purchased for an additional fee. These permits are valid for five (5) consecutive days, issued at least six months apart, and may not be apportioned to run over two weekend periods. Items for sale must be sold between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Garage sale signs can be placed on private property with the permission of the property owner. Valid garage sale signs for 2004 are red. Garage sale signs cannot be placed in any public "right of way," generally described as an area where street signs, traffic signs, fire hydrants and utility poles are located, and those areas that span from the sidewalk to the roadway surface. Any garage sale signs located in the public right-of-way will be removed by the City and discarded.

For more information on obtaining a garage sale permit, please 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** - Vandenberg School,  
**& 6** *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** - Schoenhals School,  
**& 11** *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** - Thompson School,  
**& 19** *16300 Lincoln Dr.*

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

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

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

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

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

**Pct. 29** - Stevenson School,  
*27777 Lahser Rd.*

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

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

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

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

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

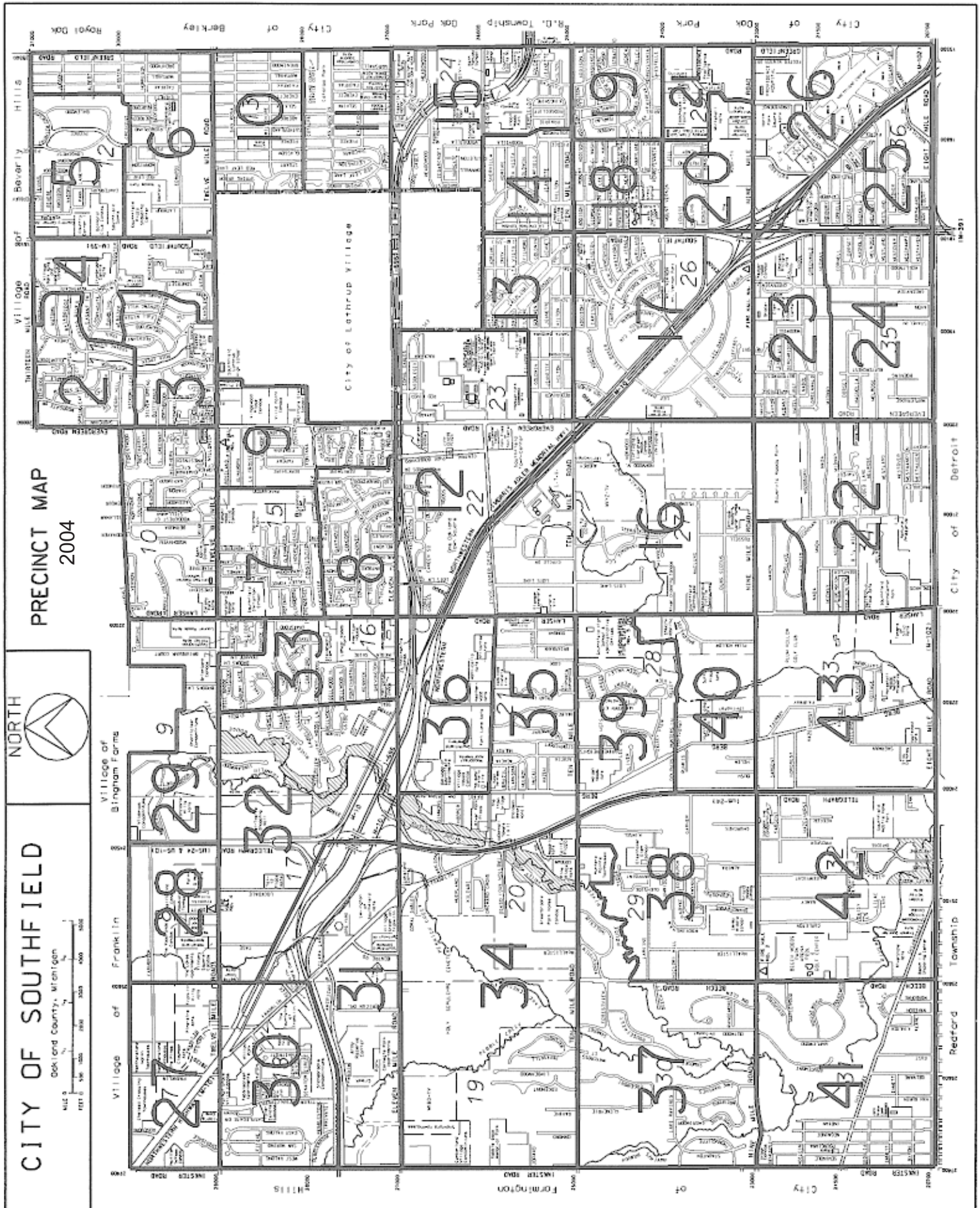
**Pct. 39** - Oakland Church of Christ,  
*23333 Ten Mile Rd.*

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

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

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

*See Page 8 for the new Voting Precinct Map.*





## Southfield Crime Prevention Bureau

Do you want to reduce your risk of burglary? Do you want to learn how to make it difficult for someone to steal your identity, car or office equipment? Would you like to train your employees on what they should do if they find themselves in the midst of a robbery? Do you have a family member who suffers from Alzheimer or any form of dementia and occasionally likes to wander? Register them in the "Safe Return" program so they can be returned home safely. Are you concerned about your child's safety when they're away from home? Have their school or scout troop contact us for a safety presentation.

The Southfield Police Department has a group of security professionals that can help you with these and other crime prevention measures. Contact the Crime Prevention Bureau at (248) 796-5400 to schedule an appointment for these and other prevention services.

## Fire Prevention Tips

The following Fire Prevention Tips offer some important guidelines on fire safety and prevention:

- Each level of the house needs a smoke alarm. Test batteries monthly and change them twice a year when the time changes.
- Have a carbon monoxide detector, especially with gas or oil furnaces or woodstoves. Check and change batteries when you check smoke alarms.
- Make sure your house number is clearly visible from the street or on a rural mailbox.
- When cleaning out the woodstove's firebox, place hot ashes in a metal container and store them outside away from anything flammable.
- Have two or more exits from every room. Windows should open easily. Have a fire escape ladder in a two-story house.
- Do not store gasoline, kerosene, propane and other fuels in dwellings, including an attached garage.
- Have your chimney cleaned and inspected regularly. Keep fire extinguishers and chimney flares handy. Know how to use them.
- Practice fire exit drills at home. Agree on a meeting place to quickly account for everyone. You don't want to send a firefighter into a burning building to look for someone who has already escaped.
- Sleep with bedroom doors closed. Keep a whistle by every bed to alert other family members in case of fire.
- If your smoke alarm goes off, roll out of bed. Crawl to the door. Feel the door with the back of your hand. If it is warm, escape through the window.
- If your clothes catch on fire, don't run. Stop, drop, and roll!!! Cover your face with your hands. Use a blanket or heavy coat to smother fire on another person's clothes.
- Once outside, stay out! Don't go back into your home for anything. That includes pets. They usually find a way to get out themselves.

## Emergency Management Forums

The Southfield Emergency Management Division holds monthly forum meetings to inform and educate residents on disaster safety, planning and preparing a 'Disaster Survival Kit.' Meetings will be held at 7 pm Thursdays: March 25, April 15, May 20.

All Meetings held in the Marcotte Room in the old Southfield Public Library, 26000 Evergreen Rd. (easily accessible from the underground parking garage). Free event! Call director Frank Coutts at (248) 796-5990 to register (voice messages accepted).

## Southfield City Cable 15

City Cable 15 is proud to announce the addition of several new regular programs:

**House and Home** - Tune in to *House and Home* for ideas on how to increase your home's curb appeal, without breaking the bank. Plus, you'll learn what city regulations you need to be mindful of before you begin.

**Today's Woman with Mayor Lawrence** - From newsmakers to business women, Mayor Brenda Lawrence interviews professional women on how they balance their careers as well as their personal lives. Find out how they do it all!

**Oakland County Government with County Commissioner Eric Coleman** - Southfield resident and Oakland County Commissioner Eric Coleman invites viewers to learn how the county actually serves the Southfield community.

Check your monthly program guide for dates and times of these programs or call (248) 796-4503 for more information.

## New Radio Station

Residents will have another way to find out what's going on in their city. City Council approved a municipal radio station that will feature important information regarding emergency situations, city services, snow removal, road closures, construction and city events. The station (1700 AM) is expected to be up and running this spring. If you have questions, please call Leonard Yourist at (248) 796-4502.

## The 20th Annual Community Pride Program Seeks Nominations

The City of Southfield has a special award program for those residents who go the extra mile in their beautification efforts. Submit nominations to recognize individuals, multi-residential complexes, neighborhoods and neighborhood entranceways that show dedication of time and effort in keeping Southfield beautiful.

Residents are encouraged to nominate their neighbors, family, friends, their neighborhoods, and even themselves. Public buildings such as schools, churches and synagogues may also be worthy of recognition, and residents are encouraged to nominate them as well. Residential backyards and perennial gardens are also eligible for nomination.

A team of judges will tour the neighborhoods and select a list of winners in August. All winners will be recognized prior to a City Council meeting in October.

Use the form below or pick one up in the Neighborhood and Information Center located off the main lobby of City Hall. Residents may also download the nomination form at the City's Web site, [www.cityofsouthfield.com](http://www.cityofsouthfield.com) and then mail to Southfield Neighborhood and Information Center, 26000 Evergreen Road, P.O. Box 2055, Southfield, MI 48037-2055.

For more information, contact the Neighborhood and Information Center at (248) 796-5140.

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### 2004 COMMUNITY PRIDE AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

(Please check one)

- ☐ Overall Neighborhood Appearance
- ☐ Entranceway Marker
- ☐ Individual Homeowner
- ☐ Apartment or Condominium

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Person Nominating \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Return to:

Southfield Neighborhood & Information Center,  
26000 Evergreen, P.O. Box 2055, Southfield, MI 48037-2055

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## Rental Registration Program

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.

## Volunteer Day 2004

Plan to be a part of Volunteer Day 2004 and make a difference in your community.

Volunteers are needed to clean, paint, rake, plant and prune throughout Southfield on **Saturday, April 24 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**

Work will take place at the Southfield Civic Center, the Mary Thompson Farm/Senior Gardens and Adler Elementary School.

Workers are asked to bring rakes and wheelbarrows (if possible). Other tools will be provided as well as gloves, a continental breakfast and a free t-shirt.

Volunteers may work the entire shift or donate just a few hours. This is a great opportunity for service clubs seeking a spring project, high school students in need of community service credits, or anyone who wants to help improve their community.

To volunteer, call Volunteer Impact at (248) 559-4950 ext. 3. *Early registration is appreciated!*

For additional information on National Volunteer Day, call Kenson Siver, Southfield Public Schools Information Director, at (248) 372-2567.

## 34th Annual Rouge River Clean Up

Share in the commitment to maintain a clean water system by volunteering for the Rouge River Clean Up on Saturday, June 5 from 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Adults, teenagers, teachers, students, naturalists, contractors and local businesses have an opportunity to improve the environment and everyone is encouraged to take part in this important initiative.

Registration is at Beech Woods Recreation Center, just south of Nine Mile Road on Beech Road. For more information, call (248) 796-4806.



# What's Happening in Southfield

Spring • Summer  
2004

## MARCH

### Red Cross Community Blood/Bone Marrow Drive

Give the gift of life at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Southfield Community Blood/Bone Marrow Drive March 23 & 24 at the Southfield Pavilion from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 to make an appointment.

## APRIL

### Bunny Breakfast/Bunny Hop N' Fun

Join us at the Southfield Pavilion on April 3 for the Bunny Breakfast from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m., followed by the Bunny Hop N' Fun from 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

### Southfield Reads! Read-A-Thon

Celebrate reading at the Southfield Reads! Read-A-Thon on Wednesday, April 14 from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. at the Southfield Public Library. Call the library at (248) 796-4200 for more information.

### Modernism Show

Visit the annual Modernism Show at the Southfield Pavilion on Saturday, April 24 from 12 noon - 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 25 from 12 noon - 5 p.m. Call M & M Enterprises at (586) 465-9441 for more information.

## MAY

### Fishing Derby

Cast your line at the annual Southfield Fishing Derby on Saturday, May 1 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Rouge River (at Telegraph). Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

### Celebrate Mom! Dinner Dance

Come and dance the night away with your favorite lady at the annual Celebrate Mom! Dinner Dance on Saturday, May 1 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

### Southfield Business Expo 2004

Join the Southfield Chamber of Commerce and the Southfield business community for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Southfield Business Expo at the Southfield Town Center Atrium May 7 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call the Southfield Chamber of Commerce at (248) 557-6661 for more information.

### SRO Productions presents "Goodbye Charlie"

Be sure to catch SRO Productions presentation of "Goodbye Charlie" May 7 - 9, May 14 - 16, or May 21 - 23 at the Burgh Historical Park.

### Southfield Flower Day

Pick up some additional flowers and plants to spruce up the homestead at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Southfield Flower Day on Saturday, May 22 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on the front lawn of City Hall. Many Southfield growers will be offering a large variety of annual and perennial flowers, plants and vegetables for sale. Call Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 for more information.

### Memorial Day Ceremony

The City of Southfield will host the annual Memorial Day Ceremony on Friday, May 28 at 8:30 a.m. on the front steps of City Hall. Call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130 for more information.

### Asian Rice Festival

The Southfield Pavilion will be home to the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Asian Rice Festival on Saturday, May 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The event will feature artists, performers, restaurants and vendors highlighting various Asian cultures. Call (248) 443-7037 for more information.

### Southfield Art Fair

The arts will return to Southfield this Memorial Day weekend with the new Southfield Art Fair on Saturday, May 29 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sunday, May 30 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. on the front lawn of City Hall.

The fair will feature over 150 artists from across the country specializing in a number of mediums, a children's activities area, live entertainment, and plenty of food and fun for everyone! Call (734) 662-3382 for more information.

## JUNE

### Mayor's Walks

Start your day with an invigorating walk with Mayor Brenda Lawrence and other elected officials at the Mayor's Walks: *A Healthy City is a Strong City* walking program beginning in June. Call Mayor Lawrence's office at (248) 796-5100 for more information.

### Eat to the Beat

Grab a bite to eat and catch some summer tunes at the Eat to the Beat concert series every Thursday, beginning June 17 through September 9, from 12 noon - 2 p.m. at the City Centre Plaza. Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

### Burgh Gazebo Concerts

Join your friends and neighbors for an evening of musical delight at the Burgh Gazebo Concerts every Wednesday, June 23 through August 18, from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Burgh Historical Park. Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

### Star Spangled Southfield Fireworks

Come out for a night of fun and fireworks in June (date to be announced). Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 796-4600 for more information.

## AUGUST

### Southfield Senior Appreciation Day

Southfield celebrates seniors at the annual Senior Appreciation Day on August 25 from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Call Adult Recreation 50+ at (248) 796-4650 for more information.



*Monica Rozier, a 10th grade student at Southfield-Lathrup H.S., with her mother. Monica survived leukemia at age 9 thanks to a bone marrow donation.*

*Was  
it you who  
saved my  
life?*

## GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

City of Southfield Community Blood & Bone Marrow Drive

**Tuesday, March 23**

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

**&**

**Wednesday, March 24**

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Southfield Pavilion - 26000 Evergreen Rd. at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$  Mile Rd.

**Call Southfield Community Relations at (248) 796-5130  
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