



## SOUTHFIELD BUSINESS NEWS

A City of Southfield Business Development Publication

### What's Happening in the City?

### Annual State of City Address

The Southfield Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting their Annual State of the City address with guest speaker Honorable Mayor Brenda Lawrence on February 12, 2007 at the Westin Hotel.

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### Road Construction Update

Looking for the latest information on the closure of the Lodge Freeway?

If so, please visit the Michigan Department of Transportation and click on the Dodge the Lodge link.

**Welcome**



Southfield Town Center

### Announcements...

### Join Us for "3rd Thursdays" A Monthly Networking Event

Mark your calendars for the "3rd Thursdays" networking events. **Thursday, January 18, 2007**, we will be gathering at Fishbones from 4 pm to 6 pm., and on Thursday, February 15, 2007, we will be at Crush . The City of Southfield in conjunction with the Southfield Area Chamber of Commerce & the Engineering Society of Detroit are hosting monthly networking events. Everyone is welcome. No memberships required.

[Click here to read more](#)



### Southfield Celebrates 23 Southfield Companies named "101 Best and Brightest Companies to Work For."

The City of Southfield is proud to have 23 companies recognized as being one of the best and brightest companies to work for in metropolitan Detroit. Southfield Companies include: Barton Malow, Clayton & McKervey, PC, Comcast, Comerica Bank, Computer Consultants of America Inc., Harley Ellis Devereaux, Huntington National Bank, Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Co-op Services Credit Union, Domino's Pizza, DTE Energy, Easter Seals- Michigan Inc., Etkin Equities, Farbman Group, Fifth Third Bank, Peoples State

## New Southfield Businesses

The Southfield Town Center welcomes Legalquest Network P.C.



Liberty Property Trust welcomes Safeco Insurance to First Center Office Center

## Ideas?

Do you have any recommendations as to topics for the newsletter? [Please e-mail me.](#)

Bank, REDICO, St. John Health, StaffPro America, Inc., UHY Advisors MI, Inc., Virchow, Krause & Company LLP, Visiting Nurse Association of SE MI and Xede Consulting Group. Does your company have what it takes to make the list ? [Click here to nominate your company for 2007.](#)

[Click here to read the entire list](#)

## What's in the News?



### Lawrence Tech ramps up online classes

Taking classes online is becoming increasingly popular at Lawrence Technological University. About 250 students are enrolled in 23 courses for the spring semester through LTU Online, and many more are expected to make the switch from traditional classroom instruction in the near future.

Currently three graduate certificate programs in project management, nonprofit management and architectural management are available entirely online.

For more information about taking online courses at Lawrence Technological University, contact Al McCord at [mccord@ltu.edu](mailto:mccord@ltu.edu) or (248) 204-3094 or [click here](#).



## Automation Alley News

### 2007 Annual Meeting

Attend Automation Alley's 2007 Annual Meeting to hear the accomplishments of 2006, the organization's goals for the future and how Automation Alley continues to successfully brand the region as a center for technology. During the meeting, Alley directors will provide an account of the progress of government affairs, all business lines, and communications and events.

In addition, the *2006 Annual Report* will be distributed. Highlights include a membership update, the addition of the Southeast Michigan Information Security Regional Skills Alliance, and the Second Annual Technology Industry Report.

This year's meeting will be January 30, 2007 at the Troy Marriott from 7:30-9:30 a.m. Voting members will also have

the opportunity to vote on the 2007 Automation Alley Board of Directors. There is no cost to attend. [Click here to register or for more information.](#)