



City of Strongsville News and Updates



Get in Shape with Lifestyle Challenge at the Rec Center

Looking to get back into a healthy routine after the holidays?

In a few weeks, you can join the Ehrnfelt Recreation Center Lifestyle Transformation Challenge, designed to give you the tools needed to decrease fat, increase lean muscle and maintain a healthy lifestyle forever.

There will be a kickoff informational meeting at 7 p.m. March 5. The challenge runs March 15 to May 24.

The program includes a complete nutrition and exercise program and before/after measurements.

New Restaurants Coming to Strongsville in 2020

The city will see another influx of new restaurants this year, following several new eatery openings in 2019.

Last year saw the arrival of **Zupadi** Indian restaurant and **Peace Love and Little Donuts**. Also, **Jennifer's** reopened under new ownership in a new location after the original owners retired.

On tap for 2020:

Barrio, the popular taco restaurant, has announced plans to open in the former Molly McGhee's spot.

Bibibop Asian Grill is opening in the former Pizza Fire location.



Culver's is under construction on Pearl Road on the former Jennifer's site.

The Royalton Collection, under construction across from SouthPark Mall, will add an **Outback**, **City Barbeque** and **Tropical Smoothie Café**. In addition, **Panera** will move from its current location on

Royalton Road into the new retail-office development.

La Siesta Motel on Pearl Road will be razed this year and replaced by a **Starbucks** and a **Burger King**.

And **Arby's** is planning to build on the site of the former Mad Cactus restaurant.

Fire Department Honored for Outstanding Cardiac Care

The city's paramedics have been recognized by the American Heart Association with its 2019 Mission: Lifeline EMS Gold Plus Award for their outstanding cardiac care.

The award was presented Dec. 2 by representatives from the American Heart



Association and Southwest General.

Only about 650 agencies of the 21,000 in the nation will

receive the award, which recognizes departments that use the most up-to-date and comprehensive care for cardiac patients.

This is the sixth year Strongsville has earned the award, making it only one of eight in Ohio to receive it every year since its inception.

Save the Dates

- Wine, Music & Mardi Gras (Ehrnfelt Rec Center) — **Jan. 25**
- Historical Society's Soup Supper (Recreation Center) — **Jan. 28**
- Father/Daughter Dance (Recreation Center) — **Feb. 21**
- Strongsville Community Band Concert (Recreation Center) — **Feb. 23**
- Strongsville Rotary's Chili Open (County Fairgrounds) — **Feb. 29**
- Breakfast with the Easter Bunny (Recreation Center) — **March 21**

Check Strongsville.org or cable TV channel 21 (WOW) or 1020 (Spectrum) for more events.

CCL Label Plans Major Expansion, New Jobs

A Strongsville company is planning a major expansion that is expected to more than double its size and create upwards of 150 new jobs here.

CCL Label Inc., which currently operates at the southwest corner of Foltz Parkway and Drake Road, has purchased 23 acres of city-owned land on Foltz so that it can expand to the south.

Its new \$16 million building is expected to be about 112,000 square feet and will serve as the company's North American headquarters.

The city will receive \$650,000 for the land on Foltz, which is no longer needed and is zoned for industrial use.

CCL Label, a division of CCL Industries, manufactures labels and design products.



Kids Garage Sale is Feb. 29 at the Rec

The next Kids Garage Sale is set for Feb. 29 at the Recreation Center.

Rent a table to sell your gently used maternity, baby and kids' items, or come and shop more than 40 tables of toys, clothes and more. Earlybird shopping starts at 9 a.m. for \$3 admission (please have exact change) or shop free 10 a.m. to noon.

Strongsville has again earned the highest bond rating from Moody's Investor Services.

For the ninth year in a row, the city has been given an Aaa bond rating by Moody's, which rates commercial and governmental entities to show the agency's credit worthiness to potential investors.

Why is that important?

Economic Development Director Brent Painter said it makes the city attractive to companies looking to locate here.

"They know they're making an investment in a strong community," he said.

In addition, the high rating allows Strongsville to sell

bonds at the best interest rates.

Only 15 cities in Ohio have earned Aaa bond ratings.

Strongsville Again Earns Aaa Bond Rating

Businesses on the Move

Primrose School of Strongsville is planning to build a 12,119-square-foot daycare center at 18713 Pearl Road, just north of Petitti's. The school is a national chain of accredited early education and care schools serving infants through kindergartners, as well as after-schoolers.

Construction continues on Royalton Collection, an office-retail development across from SouthPark Mall. The retail section will be anchored by Home Goods and will include **Red Wing Shoes** and **Spectrum**, as well as several restaurants: **Outback Steakhouse**, **City Barbeque**, **Tropical Smoothie Café** and **Panera**. **Foundation Software** has expanded its Strongsville presence by taking over the office building at the rear of the property.