



City of Strongsville News and Updates



Rib Burnoff is June 20-22 on the Commons

The 33rd annual Strongsville City Club Rib Burnoff will take over the Commons June 20-22 with award-winning ribbers, plenty of other tasty food and free entertainment.

The popular event, sponsored by the Strongsville City Club, runs 4-11 p.m. Thursday, June 20; 3-11 p.m. Friday, June 21 and noon to 11 p.m. Saturday, June 22.

Entertainment will include Backstreet Blues Band on Thursday, One Hit Wonders on Friday, Sunset Harmony Saturday afternoon and Victory Highway Saturday night.

New Restaurants Coming to Town this Year

At least five new restaurants have set their sights on Strongsville this summer, and another popular eatery on Pearl Road will close its door.

Jennifer's, a long-time favorite for breakfast and lunch, is closing. The owners, who are retiring, are selling the property to Culver's, which plans to raze the existing building and construct a new one.

Culver's specializes in burgers and fresh frozen custard.

Several restaurants have announced they will join the now-under-construction Royalton Collection across from SouthPark Mall.

They include City Barbeque,



which features smoked meats and various home-made sides; Outback Steakhouse; and Tropical Smoothie Café, which offers sandwiches and wraps in addition to smoothies.

Also, Panera Bread will relocate from its current location on Royalton Road near Howe Road to the new Royalton

Collection.

Nearby, BurgerIM has announced on its website that it plans to open a gourmet burger restaurant in Ledge-wood Plaza this year.

Several more are expected as sites around Strongsville are developed or re-developed this year.

Pull Up a Lawn Chair for Summer Band Concerts

There's a new venue for Strongsville Community Band concerts this summer — the lawn at Strongsville Middle School.

The band will perform five free concerts there on Friday nights, plus others at the Ehrnfelt Rec Center.

All the shows are set for Fri-



day at 7:30 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and relax with great music on June 14, June 28, July 5, July

12 and August 9. If it rains, the shows will move to the Rec Center.

The band will also play an indoor Friday night concert August 2 at the Rec Center.

In addition, the Strongsville City Jazz Swing Band will play at the Rec Center on Friday, July 26.

Save the Dates

- Historical Society Yard Sale (Historical Village) — **June 13-14**
- Fourth of July Fireworks (Foltz Athletic Fields, 10 p.m.) — **July 4**
- First Farmers Market of the Season (Rec Center parking lot) — **July 18**
- Homecoming Parade (Pearl Road, 6:30 p.m.) — **July 17**
- Strongsville Homecoming (City Commons) — **July 17-20**
- Hometown Pride Fireworks (City Commons, 10 p.m.) — **July 20**

Check Strongsville.org or Cable TV channel 21 for information on these and other events.

Residents: Beware the 'Distraction' Burglary

Police urge residents to be aware of a type of burglary that happens while you're at home — often while you're in the next room or just outside the door.

In a distraction burglary, someone typically comes to your door claiming to be a contractor or offering to perform a service at your home. The visitor tries to lure you outside to look at an alleged problem, or asks to come inside. Meanwhile, an accomplice is slipping unnoticed into another part of your house and grabbing valuables.

In one case this spring, a young woman came to a resident's home and, claiming she was moving in next door, asked to see the view of her new backyard from the resident's window.

Police say you should always make sure someone at your door has a solicitor's permit issued by the city of Strongsville, and should be wary if a stranger engages you in conversation while you're working in the yard.



Kids can Touch a Truck June 14

The popular Touch a Truck will be back on June 14 in the Ehrnfelt Senior Center parking lot.

Kids of all ages can stop by between noon and 2 p.m. for an up-close look at all kinds of vehicles — from police cars and fire trucks to construction equipment.

It's free, courtesy of the city Rec Department.

Bring Your Documents to be Shredded June 22

The city will host its annual Shred Day on Saturday, June 22. Residents can bring their documents to the Service Center, 16099 Foltz Parkway, between 9 a.m. and noon to have them safely destroyed free of charge.

Acceptable items include: (small paper clips and staples can still be attached) accounting ledger paper, adding machine tape, advertisements, booklets/brochures, copy machine paper, colored paper - 20 pound, computer paper, envelopes, faxes, manila file folders, greeting cards, laser printer paper, legal pad pa-

per, Post-it notes, NCR paper, receipts and all types of white paper.

NOT ACCEPTED: Newspapers, phone books, maga-

zines, binders, books, pen-daflex folders, food and candy wrappers, waxed paper, photographs, napkins and Styrofoam containers.

Businesses on the Move

The newly renovated **Strong House** is fully leased with two new tenants. The historic building, located on Westwood Drive just east of Pearl Road, was once the home of Strongsville founder John Strong. There was discussion about tearing it down, but the owner instead elected to renovate it. The new tenants are **Rapid Mortgage Company**, a Cincinnati-based lending firm, and **JDM Growth Group**, which offers online marketplace management, e-commerce strategies and digital marketing. The historical house is adjacent to the Westwood Commons retail and dining plaza.

Ledgewood Barber Shop, 17100 Royalton Road, will celebrate its 50th anniversary with a re-grand opening celebration at 9 a.m. on June 20.