



City of Strongsville News and Updates



Rib Burnoff to have Food, Fireworks

Get ready for a tasty time — the annual Strongsville City Club Rib Burnoff will return to the Commons June 16-18.

The popular annual event will feature award-winning ribs from around the country, plus sweet corn, fries, ice cream, fresh-squeezed lemonade and lots of other sides and desserts.

New this year will be a fireworks display on Friday, June 17.

Live music each night will include Faction, The Spazmatics, Bobby St. Vincent and Funkology.

July 4 Fireworks Show Expanding this Year

The city's annual Fourth of July fireworks display will move to a new location this year — and expand with a family-friendly event.

The fireworks, traditionally held at the Foltz Parkway athletic fields, will this year take place on the Commons, corner of Pearl and Royalton roads.

The new location will allow the festivities to include family fun ahead of time, including inflatables, face painting, balloon animals and the Kona Ice truck.

"We want to make this a nice family and community event," Recreation Director Bryan Bogre said.



The pre-fireworks events will run from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

The fireworks will go off at dusk, about 9:30 p.m.

The Commons is the site of three other fireworks displays this year — for the Strongsville Homecoming in July, the Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration in No-

vember and — new this year — on June 17 during the Strongsville City Club's Rib Burnoff.

Mayor Tom Perciak said he wanted offer more to residents on the Fourth.

"We're going to make it a hometown event," Perciak said.

Pull Up a Lawn Chair: Summer Band Concerts are Set

The Strongsville Community Band will be back with outdoor concerts this summer.

The full band will perform five concerts on the lawn at Strongsville Middle School.

All are free of charge and open to everyone.



All the shows are set for Fridays at 7:30 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and relax with great music by

the full orchestra on June 24, July 1, July 8, Aug. 5 and Aug. 12.

Strongsville City Jazz Swing Band will perform on Friday, July 22 on the middle school lawn.

If any of the concerts are rained out, make-up date is Aug. 19

Save the Dates

- Kids Fest and Duck Race (Metroparks Chaglet) — June 4
- Strongsville Relay for Life (Catan Stadium) — **June 11**
- Historical Society Yard Sale (Historical Village) — **June 23-24**
- Fourth of July Fireworks (City Commons) — **July 4**
- Strongsville Homecoming (City Commons) — **July 13-16**
- Homecoming Fireworks (City Commons) — **July 16**

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

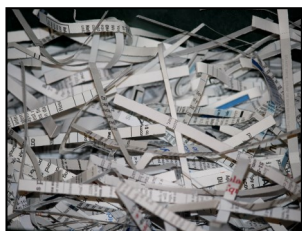
Residents: Beware the ‘Distraction’ Burglary

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, 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 back yard 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.



Shred Day will be June 24

The popular Shred Day is set for 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, June 24 in the Ehrnfelt Rec Center parking lot, 18100 Royalton Road.

Residents can bring their documents to be shredded free of charge.

Enter from Royalton Road (the Greens of Strongsville driveway).

Find a Baby Animal? Leave it Alone — Mom is Nearby

It’s the season for baby animals to be born, and Animal Control Officer Chuck McCleary has some advice if you see a youngster in your yard: Leave it alone.

McCleary said mother deer often leave fawns alone for hours at a time while they go out to look for food.

The fawns don’t emit a scent yet and are safe.

If you see baby bunnies, raccoons, kittens or other animals, don’t assume they’ve been abandoned.

“Mom is nearby,” he said.

“Don’t box them up and run them to a rehabilitation center.”

Also, don’t give them food and water.

If you don’t want wildlife in your yard, McCleary can offer tips on animal-proofing rather than calling a service to cage them. Call (440) 580-3180 for more information.

Businesses on the Move

Strongsville Nutrition Café has opened at 14150 Pearl Road (next to Honey Baked Ham). It specializes in plant-based shakes and energizing teas, with coffee roasted locally and brewed daily.

Light Show Jewelry is now open at 18025 Royalton Road, in the Robek’s Plaza. They specialize in custom diamond pendants, but also offer other jewelry designs.

Jiffy Lube is seeking to build a four-bay car care facility on the southwest corner of Broxton Drive and Pearl Road.

The huge building under construction on Royalton Road across from Vitalia will be home to an automotive aftermarket warehouse and distribution center for **Schaeffler Group**.