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City of Strongsville News and Updates



Leaf Collection Continues throughout November

Service Department crews will continue their annual fall leaf collection through at least November.

More collection weeks may be added.

If you live north of Royalton Road, crews will be back on your street the weeks of Nov. 2 and Nov. 16.

If you live south of Royalton, expect a pick-up the weeks of Nov. 9 and Nov. 23.

Have your leaves piled near the street by 7 a.m. Monday morning. After pick-up ends, bagged leaves may be set out with your regular trash.

Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration is Nov. 22

Mayor Tom Perciak will welcome the holiday season at the annual Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration Nov. 22 on the Commons.

The event will feature Santa and Mrs. Claus, elves, the giant Christmas tree, a tunnel of lights and lots of lighting displays for photos.

An ice carver will create a work of art before your eyes and you can meet some live reindeer on loan from the North Pole.

The Holiday Lights Trolley will take guests on a tour of the Town Center area, and the Strongsville Rotary will serve up free hot chocolate.



Strongsville's City Commons will light up for the holiday season Nov. 22, 2026 at the Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration.

Dunkin' will provide free doughnut holes.

As usual, Santa will arrive in town and will meet with children in the Winter Forest gazebo.

There will also be a spectacular holiday fireworks display.

Next door, the Historical Village will be decked out for the season and will be open for visitors.

It all starts at 5:30 p.m. when Mayor Perciak lights up the Commons, Christmas tree and gazebo.

The popular annual holiday event is free and open to everyone.

Drop off Your Halloween Pumpkins through Nov. 10

Don't just toss your mushy jack o'lanterns in the trash — turn them in for recycling.

Strongsville is again a collection site for Cuyahoga Recycles' annual program aimed at keeping pumpkins and gourds out of the landfills.



Bring your non-decorated pumpkins and gourds (no marker, paint, glitter, etc.) to Youth Sports Park, 21255 Lunn Road through Nov. 10. There will be signs in the parking lot direction you to the drop-off bin.

They'll be collect and composted.

Cuyahoga Recycles is a part of the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District.

Save the Dates

- Election Day (Citywide) — **Nov. 3**
- Veterans Day Ceremony (VFW Post 3345) — **Nov. , 11 a.m.**
- Winter Wonderland Lighting Celebration (Commons) — **Nov. 22**
- Holiday Lighting Open House (Historic Village) — **Nov. 22**
- Fun and Photos with Santa (Rec Center) — **Dec. 5**
- Strongsville Historical Society Holiday Gala (Encore Event Center) — **Dec. 4**

Check Strongsville.org for more information on these and other events.

Construction Continues on Fire Station 5

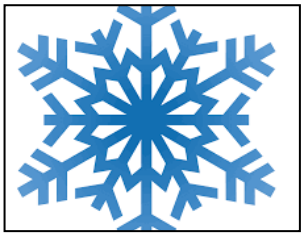


Strongsville fifth fire station is scheduled to open in April 27, providing an EMS presence to the center of town.

Fire Chief Jack Draves said the new station will add needed response coverage to the busy Routes 42 and 82 corridors.

It's needed because emergency call volume has grown 200 percent since 2004, leading to an average response time of 6 minutes and 55 seconds — well beyond the recommended national standard of 4 minutes.

The new 14,489-square-foot station will have three drive-through vehicle bays and living quarters for up to seven firefighters, plus a training room and fitness room. Station 4 on Prospect Road will remain the Fire Department's headquarters, housing administrative offices and training facilities.



Sign Up Now for Senior Snow Care

Seniors who meet income and other requirements may qualify to have their driveway plowed by the city this winter.

Deadline to apply is Nov. 16.

Check Strongsville.org for a printable application. Call (440) 580-3177 if you have questions.

Don't Invite Thieves into Your Car by Leaving it Unlocked

Police are urging residents to lock their car doors at night to prevent thefts.

Experts say thefts from vehicles are often crimes of opportunity.

Thieves will walk down a residential street at night trying car doors.

If it's locked, they move on. If one opens, they help themselves to what's inside the vehicle.

Police say vehicles in several Strongsville neighborhoods have been targeted in the last few months.

Also, don't leave valuable items in your vehicles. The sight of a laptop or briefcase or purse might be enough to tempt a thief to break a window to get inside.

Park in a well-lit area, if you can.

And double check each night to make sure your overhead garage door is closed.

Businesses on the Move

Lao Sze Chuan will celebrate its opening Nov. 6 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and other activities at 11:30 a.m. The upscale Chinese restaurant operates in the former Red Lobster site at SouthPark Mall.

The Social Cup Coffeehouse & Collective celebrated its grand opening Oct. 6 at 12927 Pearl Road, the former Lemonberry and Morty's Munchies location. The shop offers hot and cold beverages, plus gluten-free and vegan bakery items.

Albatross Golf Lounge has opened at 19694 W. 130th Street, offering indoor golf simulators in a modern lounge atmosphere. It's designed for golfers of all skill levels and, through a partnership with Giovanni's Pizzeria, offers pizza delivered to your table.