



# City of Strongsville News and Updates



## Mayor Perciak will Address City March 15

Save the date — the mayor’s annual State of the City address is set to take place on Tuesday, March 15.

It starts at 11:30 a.m. at the Ehrnfelt Rec Center, 18100 Royalton Road.

Mayor Tom Perciak will talk about the upcoming improvements to the Town Center area, including new recreational amenities.

He delivers the speech during the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce’s monthly business luncheon. It usually sells out, so reserve a seat early at [strongsvillechamber.com](http://strongsvillechamber.com).

## Facebook Memes Get a Big ‘Like’ from Residents

Let Mike Campbell never imagined his job would involve browsing the internet for cartoon characters and movie quotes.

But now that he’s started, the community doesn’t want him to stop.

Campbell, who handles the police department’s Facebook page, runs a daily meme reminding residents — in a humorous way — to lock their car doors.

“We noticed we’d get rashes of cars entered at night — and they were all unlocked,” Campbell said.

The memes were a way to get people’s attention.



And they seem to be working.

“We’ve noticed a dramatic decrease in the number of cars entered,” Campbell said. “Locking your doors is an easy way not to become a victim.”

The memes have become a

hit with the public. Campbell recently ran a Facebook survey to ask if residents were tired of them or if he should continue.

The response was overwhelming: Keep it up.

“So I guess I’ll be doing them a while longer,” he said.

## Dates Announced for City’s 2022 Recycling, Shred Events

You can get rid of household products and donate building and medical items at Strongsville’s recycling events this year.

The annual Household Hazardous Waste collections will run May 3 and 4 and Aug. 30-31 at the Service Center, 16099 Foltz Parkway. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day.



The Habitat for Humanity tool drive, which benefits Habitat’s ReStore, runs 9 a.m. to noon on May 14.

Also May 14, Strongsville will participate in a MEDWISH Supply Drive in which residents can donate unused medical supplies.

Shred Day will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on June 24.

That event will be held outside the Recreation Center, 18100 Royalton Road.

## Save the Dates

- Duck Race and Kids Fest (Metroparks Chalet) — **June 4**
- Strongsville City Club Rib Burn Off (Commons) — **June 16-18**
- Rib Burnoff Fireworks (Commons) — **June 17**
- Strongsville Homecoming (Commons) — **July 13-16**
- Homecoming Fireworks (Commons)— **July 16**
- Breakfast on the Bridge (Ehrnfelt Covered Bridge) — **Sept. 18**

Check [Strongsville.org](http://Strongsville.org) or cable TV channel 21 (WOW) or 1020 (Spectrum) for more.

## Here's What's Going On at the Rec

**T**ickets are on sale now for the **Father-Daughter Dance**, set for Feb. 18 at 6:30 p.m.

Dads, uncles, grandpas and other gentlemen can accompany the little girl in their life to the Rec for an evening of music, dancing and pizza. She'll also receive a carnation and keepsake photo. Tickets are \$10 for members, \$12 for non-member residents and \$15 for non-residents, and must be purchased in advance at the front desk.



On March 19, the first **Kids Garage Sale** of the year will take place, with tables of toys, clothes, small furniture and accessories. Earlybird shopping starts at 9 a.m. for \$3 admission, or shop free from 10 a.m. to noon.

**Fun and Photos with the Easter Bunny** is set for March 26. Kids can get a digital photo with the Bunny, make a craft and enjoy an Easter treat. Tickets are pre-sale only at \$6 for members and \$9 for non-members.



## Enjoy Breakfast at Crossroads Café

**F**ind a great deal on breakfast at the Crossroads Café, located in the Ehrnfelt Rec and Senior Center.

The café is open 8-10 a.m. Monday through Friday for dine-in or carryout meals.

The menu includes omelets, egg sandwiches, French toast, oatmeal and more.

## 'Daily Safety Caller' Ready to Check In with Seniors

**S**enior citizens who live on their own will be the focus of a new safety program Strongsville is launching soon.

The Daily Safety Caller program is designed to check in with seniors daily to make sure they're doing all right — and send help if there's a problem.

Seniors who sign up for the program will receive an automated call every morning. If they answer the phone, the system will log that they are fine.

If there's no answer, though, the system will call again in a few minutes — maybe the resident didn't hear the phone or just couldn't answer in time.

But if there's still no answer, the system will call or text the resident's emergency contact, who will then either check on the resident personally or ask the police department to do so.

Safety forces would enter the home through a lockbox installed on the door.

Sign-ups are expected to start this month or in March.

## Businesses on the Move

**Dave's Cosmic Subs** has opened at 14696 Pearl Road. The shop offers a variety of hot and cold sandwiches including deli meats, tuna, roast beef, corned beef and chicken.

**Furry Tail Shack** has opened at 13008 Pearl Road. The business offers a doggy day camp, behavior therapy, pet nutrition, hydrotherapy, birthday parties, training, pup playdates and more.

**Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steamburgers** has opened on Pearl Road in the former Burger King building.

**Seafood Shake** is remodeling the former Rockne's for a seafood boil restaurant.