



# City of Strongsville News and Updates



## City Creates Safe Zones for Bees, Insects

Signs are going up around town marking Pollinator Habitats – places the city is creating where bees and butterflies can thrive.

The areas will be around the perimeters of the parks, adjacent to woods, where they won't impact players on the fields.

Pollinators are crucial to the world's food supply and natural ecosystems.

A riparian corridor will also be established along the stream that runs through the Drake Road Rec Park. Plantings will help stabilize the banks.

## \$9 Million in Residential Street Repairs Planned

Mayor Tom Perciak said the city will repair 35 concrete streets in 2021.

He made the announcement during his annual State of the City address May 11.

The project will cost a little over \$9 million.

The streets in line for repair are:

Ward 1 — Forest Point Place, Park Moss Avenue, Bittersweet Circle, Lake Forest Drive, Leawood Oval, Kettering Oval, River Ridge Road and Sunridge Circle.

Ward 2 — Laurell Circle, Blazing Star Drive, Deer Ridge Circle, Currier Drive, Squirrel Hollow, Windward Way,



Golden Star Drive, Bear Creek Lane and Eagles Nest Circle.

Ward 3 — Heather Lane, Creek Stone Circle, Clear Book Circle, Meadowgrass Road, Watercress Road, Idlewood Drive, Pamela Drive, Briarwood Lane, Shagbark Trail, Creek Moss Lane and Pebble Brook Lane.

Ward 4 — Driftwood Court, Hemlock Circle, Pinewood Drive, White Bark Drive, Holly Circle, Wildwood Lane and Windsor Castle Lane.

In addition, the city's Service Department will repair and repave a number of asphalt roads this summer. Those streets will be named later.

## Pull Up a Lawn Chair: Summer Band Concerts Return

The Strongsville Community Band will be back with outdoor concerts this summer after having to cancel last year's shows due to the pandemic.

The 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 July 2, July 23, July 30 and August 6.

Strongsville City Jazz will perform on Friday, July 9 on the middle school lawn.

The band will also play at the Hudson Band Stand at 7 p.m. on June 20 and July 5.

## Save the Dates

- Strongsville Relay for Life (Catan Stadium) — **June 12**
- Historical Society Yard Sale (Historical Village) — **June 24-25**
- Fourth of July Fireworks (Foltz Athletic Fields, 10 p.m.) — **July 4**
- Strongsville Homecoming (City Commons) — **July 14-17**
- Homecoming Fireworks (City Commons, 10 p.m.) — **July 17**
- Strongsville City Club Rib Burnoff (Commons) — **Aug. 12-14**

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

## Residents: Beware the 'Distraction' Burglary

**P**olice 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 18

**T**he popular Shred Day is set for 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, June 18 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).

## Companies Bringing Hundreds of New Jobs to Town

**N**ew projects in the city's four business parks are bringing literally hundreds of new jobs to Strongsville.

**OMEC**, a smart card manufacturer from Shanghai, China is opening its first North American location on Dow Circle in Strongsville, bringing 200 new jobs.

**Infinium Wall Systems**, which makes glass walls, has built a 120,000-square-foot corporate headquarters on Prospect Road, with the potential for 200 new jobs.

**PLIDCO**, a pipeline development company that repairs

oil pipelines, has purchased the 233,000-square-foot former DeMag building and will move its corporate headquarters to Strongsville in June with 100 new employees.

**Union Home Mortgage** has expanded its headquarters into a 106,000-square-foot campus on Dow Circle and has committed to the creation of 450 new jobs here.

## Businesses on the Move

Work continues on the new **Freddy's Frozen Custard and Steakhouses**, which is renovating the former Burger King on Pearl Road for its new restaurant.

**Lux'Jorious Fish Spa** has opened in SouthPark Mall, on the upper level in the Dillard's wing. It is the second location for the business, joining the original spa in Woodmere.

Construction is under way on the new **Arby's** restaurant on Pearl at Whitney, the site of the former Mad Cactus.

**Discount Drug Mart** is also building its second Strongsville location on Pearl Road in front of Lowe's.