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# City of Strongsville News and Updates



## Rib Burnoff to Feature Food, Fireworks

**G** et ready for a tasty time — the annual Strongsville City Club Rib Burnoff will return to the Commons June 19-21.

The popular annual event will feature award-winning ribs from around the country, plus sweet corn, fries, ice cream, freshsqueezed lemonade and inflatables for the kids.

Adding to the fun will be a fireworks display on Friday, June 20.

Live music each day will include Follow the Sun, Boaterhead, Chad Hoffman and Faction.

## Retail is Bustling in Strongsville this Spring

There's quite a bit going on in Strongsville's retail world this spring, with plenty of existing spaces being filled by new ventures.

New to northeast Ohio will be **Activate Strongsville**, a state-of-the-art interactive gaming facility located in the former Office Max site outside SouthPark Mall. It's next door to the recently opened **Boot Barn**, which filled the rest of the building.

On the food front, the former Red Lobster building will become **Lao Sze Chuan**, an upscale Chinese restaurant from the owners of Shinto.

The former Italian Village restaurant, 16605 Pearl Road,



will reopen as **Capriccio's Village**, with a new menu.

The long-awaited opening of **El Taco Macho** in the former Old Carolina space, 14795 Pearl Road, took place in mid -May.

They join **Qdoba**, which opened recently on Royalton Road, and **Another Broken**  **Egg**, which is serving in the former O'Charley's spot.

Coming soon: **First Watch** in the former TGI Friday's location in the Greens of Strongsville, and **The Original Pancake House** in the Gourme/Rico's location at Pearl and Shurmer. And **Wing Stop** is planning to open at 14236 Pearl Road.

## 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 evening outdoor concerts in June, July and August at the Strongsville Middle School, 13200 Pearl Road.

All are free of charge and



open to everyone. All start at 7:30 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and relax with great music by the full orchestra:

Friday, June 13 Friday, June 27 Thursday, July 3 Friday, July 11 Friday, August 1

In addition, Strongsville City Jazz will perform on Friday, July 18 at Strongsville Middle School.

#### Save the Dates

- Kids Fest and Duck Race (Metroparks Chalet) — June 7
- Historical Society Yard Sale (Historical Village) — June 19-21
- Fourth of July Fireworks (City Commons) July 4
- Strongsville Homecoming (City Commons)
   July 23-26
- Homecoming Fireworks (City Commons) July 26
- Strongsville Arts Festival (Town Center)—
  Sept. 14

Check Strongsville.org or cable TV channel 2009 (Breezeline) or 1020 (Spectrum) for more.

#### Free Concerts at Town Center Start this Month

N ew this year from the Strongsville Recreation Department: The Town Center Park Summer Concert Series.

The Rec Department will sponsor five outdoor concerts at the new Town Center Park, 18300 Zverina Lane.



All are free and open to the public. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Food trucks will be available on site. Here's the schedule:

June 14, 6 p.m. — Funkology

July 12, 7 p.m. — Walt Wise (Billy Joel/Elton John)

August 16, 6 p.m. — Disco Inferno

August 23, 7:30 p.m. — In the Heartland

September 20, 6 p.m. — E5C4P3—The Journey Tribute



#### Shred Day is June 6 at Middle School

The popular Shred Day is set for 9 a.m. to noon on Friday, June 6 in the Strongsville Middle School parking lot, 13200 Pearl Road.

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

Please have documents in boxes or paper bags in your open car trunk.

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

t'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**

**Stretch Lab** has opened at 17100 Royalton Road, in the Ledgewood Plaza. The business offers assisted stretch sessions aimed at eliminating pain and improving flexibility and wellness.

Another Broken Egg Café has opened for business on Pearl Road in the former O'Charley's building. The restaurant features a number of breakfast, brunch and lunch offerings.

Wing Stop is looking to open at 14236 Pearl Road, next to Antonio's Pizza. They offer wings, tenders, chicken sandwiches and sides like fries and Cajun fried corn.