



City of Strongsville News and Updates



Rec Department To Roll Out Easter Egg Hunt

The Recreation Department will host its annual Fun and Photos with the Easter Bunny party on March 21 — this year including an outdoor egg hunt.

The event will take place at Town Center Park pavilion, where kids can pose for photos with the bunny. There will also be crafts, face painting and a balloon artist.

After that, kids 10 and under can participate in an outdoor Easter egg hunt, weather permitting.

Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Rec Center front desk.

Bins for Cardboard Return to Recycling Center

New cardboard recycling bins have been set up at the city’s recycling center, located next to the Strongsville Emergency Food Bank, at the Zverina Lane roundabout.

The eight blue bins accept flattened cardboard and mixed paper, including shredded paper.

They replace green bins that were previously provided by a private company. Those containers were removed earlier this year when the city ended its contract with the private company.

City officials said the company was unable to empty the bins frequently enough,



which led to people leaving their cardboard — and other items not meant for the containers — on the ground nearby.

The city asked its refuse hauler, Republic Waste, to install a cardboard recycling bin on the site.

“Republic really stepped up

and set up eight new containers for cardboard and mixed papers,” said Jennifer Milbrandt, coordinator of natural resources.

Republic also has a larger mixed recyclables bin at the site.

Residents are also able to recycle curbside.

City will Host Hazardous Waste, Shred Events in 2026

You can dispose of hazardous products, have your documents shredded and donate building and medical items at recycling events here this year.

The annual Household Hazardous Waste collections will run April 28-29 and Sept. 1-2 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, and the MedWish medical supply drive will both take place on June 6.

And Shred Day, where residents can bring documents to



be shredded free, will be 9 a.m. to noon June 5 outside the Strongsville Middle School, 13200 Pearl Road.

Save the Dates

- Strongsville Community Band Concert (Strongsville Middle School) — **March 1**
- Household Hazardous Waste Round-Up (Service Center) — **April 28-29**
- Shred Day (Strongsville Middle School) — **June 5**
- Strongsville Historical Society Chalk Walk — (Historical Village) — **June 13**
- Strongsville City Club Rib Burn Off (Commons) — **June 18-20**
- Rib Burnoff Fireworks (Commons) — **June 20**

Check Strongville.org for more details on these and other events.

Mayor to Deliver State of the City Speech March 10

Mayor Tom Perciak will deliver his annual State of the City address on Tuesday, March 10 at the Recreation Center.

The mayor gives the annual speech each March at a Strongsville Chamber of Commerce business luncheon at the Rec Center.



Doors open at 11 a.m. The luncheon is open to the public, but reservations are required. Cost is \$25 for chamber members and \$30 for non-members. Visit strongvillechamber.com or call (440) 238-3366 for reservations.

Mayor Perciak will discuss the city's fiscal health, upcoming projects, business growth and new retail moving into Strongsville.



RITA Offers Online Tax Return Filing

The deadline to file municipal tax returns is April 15, 2026.

Strongsville contracts with the Regional Income Tax Agency to handle tax collections.

You can file online or learn more at ritaohio.com.

Note: Dates for Homecoming Change this Year

The annual Homecoming Festival will take place July 29 to Aug. 1 on the Commons.

The popular carnival was originally set for July 22-25 in 2026, but had to be changed due to a scheduling conflict with the company that provides the rides.

Homecoming will still offer all the same rides, food and free nightly entertainment as every other year.

The ride company also brings with it some of the food stands and games.

Other games and food choices are operated by the Chamber of Commerce and other local organizations.

As usual, the event will close

with a spectacular fireworks show on Saturday, Aug. 1. A winner will also be chosen that night for the popular 50/50 raffle.

Businesses on the Move

Barnes and Noble is open for business at the former Bed Bath & Beyond site in the Plaza at SouthPark. The chain offers books, digital media, gifts and more, and features an in-store coffee shop.

Cycle Vietnamese Restaurant and Bar celebrated its recent opening with a ribbon-cutting ceremony Feb. 5. The restaurant took over the former Harvest Saloon site in Towne Center Shopping Center. It offers authentic Vietnamese cuisine and hand-crafted cocktails.

Work continues on **Zest Pastry and Coffee Co.** at 10252 W. 130th Street, which is now planning to add a drive-through window. The bakery will offer fresh cookies and pastries.