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# City of Strongsville News and Updates

## **Rib Burnoff, Homecoming Right Around the Corner**

**S** trongsville's two major summer events will take place in June and July, drawing tens of thousands of visitors to the Commons.

First is the Strongsville City Club Rib Burnoff, which will run June 22-24 and feature awardwinning ribs from restaurants around the nation.

There will also be plenty of other food, inflatables for the kids and entertainment each day, including Follow the Sun, the Spazmatics and the Joey Amato Band.

In addition, on Friday, June 23, there will be a fireworks show, visible from the Commons. All entertainment is included in



the \$3 admission.

The Homecoming festival takes over the Commons July 12-15 with food, carnival games, rides and nightly entertainment.

Admission is free for both the midway and the entertainment.

The event, sponsored by the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce, ends with a bang — a spectacular fireworks display on Saturday, July 15.

It will be the third fireworks show on the Commons this summer. The Fourth of July display will again take place there this year.

### Super Saturday Race and Stuff the Squad is June 3

The Strongsville Recreation Department will host Super Saturday Fun Run & Stuff the Squad Food Drive on June 3.

Runners can register now for the 5K race. Advance registration is \$30 and includes a T -shirt and race-day refreshments.



But everyone can participate in the event by helping to fill a Strongsville rescue squad with non-perishable items for the Strongsville Emergency Food Bank.

The race begins and ends at the Rec Center. Prizes will be awarded for top overall male and femail finishers and also best in age groups.

To register, visit runsignup.com.



#### Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony Set

he annual Memorial Day parade and ceremony will take place again this year on Monday, May 29.

The parade will step off at 11 a.m. from St. Joseph Church and head south on Pearl Road to Zverina Lane.

It will end at the Freedom Trail Gazebo with a short ceremony.

Mayor Tom Perciak will be among the speakers.

The event is sponsored by Strongsville VFW Post 3345 to honor the nation's fallen military heroes.

#### Save the Dates

- Arts in Strongsville Chalk Walk (Commons)
  May 20
- Habitat for Humanity Tool Drive (Service Center) — May 20
- MedWish Medical Supply Drive (Service Center) — May 20
- Strongsville Community Band Concert ) (Middle School) — May 21
- Strongsville Rotary Duck Race and Kids Fest (Metroparks Chalet) — June 3
- Touch a Truck (Senior Center parking lot)
   June 9

Check Strongsville.org or cable TV channel 21 (Breezeline) or 1020 (Spectrum) for more.

#### **Council Corner: Live Life to the Fullest, Grads**

o the 2023 Strongsville High School graduating class: Living Life.

Life is not a race, but indeed a journey. Be honest, work hard, be choosy, say "thank you," "I love you" and "great job" to someone each day. Let your handshake mean more than a pen and paper. Love your life and what you've



been given, it is not accidental. Search for your purpose and do it as best you can. Dreaming does matter. It allows you to become that which you aspire to be. Laugh often. Appreciate the little things in life and enjoy them. Some of the best things really are free. Don't worry, less wrinkles are more becoming. Forgive, it frees the soul. Take time for yourself. Plan for longevity. Recognize the special people you've been blessed to know. Live for today, enjoy the moment. (Author: Bonnie Mohr)

Wishing you all the best!

- Jim Carbone, councilman at large and council president



#### Historical Village Open for Tours

The Historical Village, 13305 Pearl Road, is now open for the summer.

The village will be open 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month from May through August.

Group tours on other days can be scheduled by calling Valerie at (330) 952-1095.

### Go Red for Firefighters, Blue to Show Support for Police

R esidents can show support for their local safety forces by lighting their homes or businesses red or blue this month. "Light the Night" with red lights May 4-7 to show support for firefighters and honor those who have fallen in the line of duty. "Light Ohio Blue" runs May 14-20 and supports police officers, while also honoring law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.



#### **Businesses on the Move**

Handmade Haven has opened at 14783 Pearl Road, in the Strongsville Plaza. It features a selection of handcrafted items made by local artisans.

**The Hooley Pub & Kitchen** has opened in SouthPark Mall. The restaurant will celebrate its new location with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 18. It offers a variety of pub food, signature Irish dishes, special-ty cocktails and craft beer from Ohio breweries.

Opening soon in SouthPark Mall is **K Pot,** an all-you-can-eat restaurant that merges traditional Asian hot pot with Korean barbecue flavors. It will take over the former Houlihan's location