



City of Strongsville News and Updates



Farmers Market is Returning this Summer

The popular Strongsville Farmers Market will return this summer, this time at the new Town Center Park.

The market features a variety of local farmers offering locally grown vegetables, fruits, honey, jams, baked goods, flowers and more.

It was previously held outside the Rec Center, but was halted during the Covid pandemic.

It will run every Tuesday from 4 to 7 p.m. from July 29 through Sept. 9.

Town Center Park is located at 18300 Zverina Lane.

Retail, Industry, Housing Still Strong, Mayor Says

The value of commercial and industrial properties in Strongsville — at \$392 million — is the fourth-highest in Cuyahoga County, Mayor Tom Perciak said.

"In a time when values were going down, ours continued to escalate," the mayor said.

Perciak, delivering his annual State of the City address on March 15, said innovation and private capital investments are keeping the city's business sector growing. Also:

- Dick's House of Sport is making a \$30 million



investment at South-Park Mall.

- New "modern" zoning will encourage non-retail uses to the mall, like hotels and amusement-related operations.
- Construction has started on the Foltz Parkway extension, opening up 85.7 acres of new industrial land.
- Town Center Park will host lots of new events this year, like band concerts and family movie nights. Also, Farmers Market will return in July.
- Two developments with homes, villas and townhouses are under construction.

Look for Foxes and their Kits in the Early Spring

If you've seen a fox in your yard lately, that's because it's denning season, according to Animal Control Officer Chuck McCleary.

Between the end of March and early April, a mother fox will give birth to four or five kits. To keep them safe from coyotes, she will often choose a den site close to

people, away from where coyotes generally go -- like under a porch, shed, garage, barn, or side of a hill.

McCleary asks that you offer them a short-term rental in your yard. "If you are lucky enough to see how beautiful an adult fox is, or witness the kits playing (at a distance, of



course), you will be glad you did!" he said.

Mama fox won't harm your kids or pets, he added.

Save the Dates

- Strongsville Community Band Concert (Middle School) — **May 18**
- Summer Concert Series — Funkology (Town Center Park) — **June 14**
- Strongsville Historical Society Yard Sale (Historical Village) — **June 19-21**
- Rib Burnoff Fireworks Show (Commons) — **June 20**
- Summer Concert Series — Walt Wise (Town Center Park) — **July 12**
- Homecoming Fireworks Show (Commons) — **July 26**

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

Daily Call Makes Sure Seniors are Safe

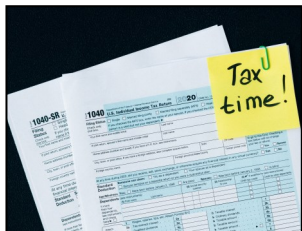
Senior Citizens who live on their own are the focus of the city's Welfare Caller program.

The program is designed to check in with seniors every day to make sure they're doing all right, and send help if there's a problem.

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

If there's no answer, the system will try again in a few minutes, in case the resident didn't hear the phone. If there's still no answer, the system will call or text the person's emergency contact, who can then either check on the senior personally or ask the police department to do so.

Brochures and sign-up forms are available at the Senior Center or the police station.



Remember: Taxes are Due April 15

The deadline to file municipal tax returns is April 15, 2024.

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

Residents can file online or get more information by visiting ritaohio.com.

Drop off Household Hazardous Waste April 29-30

The first of two 2025 Household Hazardous Waste Collections is set for April 29 and 30 at the Service Center, 16099 Foltz Pkwy.

Residents can drop off their household products 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. either of the two days.

Materials accepted include oil or solvent-based paint (no latex paint), varnish, mineral spirits, caustic household cleaners, adhesives, gasoline, sealers, polyurethane, herbicides, automotive fluids, roof tar, lighter fluid, primers and coatings,

shellac, pesticides, motor oil, driveway sealer, mercury, paint thinner, turpentine, fungicides, car batteries, and kerosene.

LATEX PAINT IS NOT ACCEPTED.

To dispose of latex paint, leave the lid off to dry up the paint, or mix in a drying agent, then place it out with your regular trash.

Second event is Aug. 26-27.

Businesses on the Move

Qdoba, a build-your-own-burrito-style Mexican restaurant, has opened in the former Robeks location on Royalton Road. The chain currently has 17 locations in Ohio.

Bruster's Real Ice Cream, which sought to build in Strongsville two years ago, is back with new plans for a free-standing shop on Pearl Road south of Drake Road. It will be the second Bruster's location in Cuyahoga County, joining a store in North Olmsted. The building will go on a vacant parcel at the corner of Ellsworth Drive, with entrances on both Pearl and Ellsworth.

First Watch will take over the TGI Friday's location at the Greens of Strongsville. The restaurant serves breakfast and lunch options.