

## Homecoming July 17-20



## Cleveland Clinic Race for Wellness



### Fun for the Whole Family 5K Run/ 1 Mile Walk

Saturday, July 20th  
7:30 am - On-site registration  
8:30 am - 5K Run/1-Mile Walk begins

Register online at  
[www.hermescleveland.com](http://www.hermescleveland.com)  
will close Friday, July 19, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.

# STRONGSVILLE

## Chamber of Commerce

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# NEWS

## Strongsville Homecoming “Hometown Pride”

This year marks the 71st anniversary of the Strongsville Homecoming, made possible for so many years by the hard work and dedication of countless volunteers. Sponsored by the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce, the annual four-day festival on the Strongsville Commons celebrates community pride and the spirit of volunteerism.

“We have hundreds of people volunteer every year, just because they want to do it,” said Tom Burichin, general chairman of the Homecoming. “I don’t think that sort of commitment is found very often.”

“Approximately 30 tent managers, most of who are Chamber members, give about 80 hours of their time to the planning and execution of Homecoming activities. All tent managers from the 2012 Homecoming are back for the 2013 festivities,” Burichin said.

Tent managers recruit scores of friends, co-workers and family members to help them serve food, operate carnival-style games and complete a host of other tasks necessary to stage the Chamber’s largest annual fundraiser. About 90 percent of the money raised from Homecomings benefits numerous Strongsville organizations and community events, such as the Achievement Centers for Children – Camp Cheerful, Fall Festival, Arts in Strongsville, Community Band, Ehrnfelt Recreation Center programs, Historical Society, Strongsville’s July 4th fireworks display and Winter Wonderland.

The homecoming opens at 3 p.m. Wednesday July 17. The annual parade, featuring more than 100 entrants, steps off at 6:30 p.m. July 17, at the intersection of Progress Drive and Pearl Road. The parade will continue south on Pearl Road to the Commons.



Homecoming hours are 3 p.m. to midnight July 17-19 and noon to midnight on July 20. Winner of the prize dubbed ‘Northeast Ohio’s largest 50/50 Raffle’ will be announced near the end of the day on July 20. Tickets will be sold throughout the Homecoming, and the winner need not be present at the drawing.

Saturday, July 20 is “Kid’s Day”. Dance groups, bands and a magician will perform under the Entertainment Tent in the afternoon. There will also be a Balloon Artist on the commons along with the high school DECA students handing out freebies to the kids.

Free musical entertainment will take the stage each night. The Cleveland Breakfast Club is back and will play on opening night following the parade. The Avenue is set for Thursday July 18. Shout is scheduled for Friday July 19, and new to the Homecoming line-up is The Caliber Band, which will play on Saturday July 20. Daytime entertainment will be onstage Saturday afternoon.

Food and beverage favorites like Elephant Ears, fresh-squeezed lemonade, kettle corn, cheese steak sandwiches and corn dogs along with a wide variety of eats to satisfy your guilty pleasures, will be sold throughout the event.

Parking is free. Entertainment is Free. An all-day pass or individual tickets can be purchased for the rides.

**STRONGSVILLE**  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
**HOMETOWN PRIDE**  
★ Homecoming ★



# A Note from Mayor Perciak

Dear Chamber Trustees:

The Strongsville Chamber of Commerce will again be serving as the host sponsor of Homecoming activities. I commend the Chamber and their continued commitment to the community of Strongsville and especially thank the Homecoming committee and the Board of Trustees for their dedication and hard work. I especially appreciate the effort put forth by the General Chairman, Tom Burichin, and Co-Chairman, Mike Kalinich. Many thanks to all the generous sponsors and many volunteers who support this family event.

Best wishes,  
Mayor Thomas P. Perciak



## New Venue for the Chamber Annual Golf Outing

The Chamber will host its 45th annual Golf Outing on Friday, September 20, 2013 at Shale Creek. The event is open to all Chamber members and their guests. All entrants have the opportunity to participate in the Hole-In-One Contest sponsored by Pete Baur Buick GMC dealership.

A separate registration form with more information about registration and participation will be e-mailed to Chamber members in late July. Visit [www.strongsvillechamber.com/events](http://www.strongsvillechamber.com/events) or call (440) 238-3366 for more information.

### Upcoming Events

July 31	Strongsville Young Prof.	7:05 pm	Indians Game
Aug. 14	Women in Business Meeting	6:00 pm	Pure Fitness
Aug. 29	Business After Hours	5:30 pm	Clev. Clinic-Strongsville
Sept. 17	Monthly Luncheon	11:30 am	Holiday Inn
Sept.20	Golf Outing	11:00 am	Shale Creek
Oct. 15	Monthly Luncheon	11:30 am	Holiday Inn
Oct. 29	Business Expo	4:00 pm	Ehrnfelt Event Center
Nov. 7	Business After Hours	5:30 pm	RA Kalfas/Chippewa
Nov. 19	Monthly Luncheon	11:30 am	Holiday Inn
Dec. 6	Scholarship Dance	7:00 pm	Michaud's
Dec. 17	Luncheon	11:30 am	Ehrnfelt Event Center

### Welcome New Members

The following businesses and individuals have joined the Chamber since the publication of our last newsletter. We appreciate their interest and support of the Strongsville Chamber of Commerce.

A Ki Restoration	LifeChurch of Strongsville
A-1 Complete Repair	Little River Pet Resort
Above the Barre Dance & Gymnastics	Main Mix Marketing LLC
Advantage Insulation Distributors, Inc.	Marble & Granite Concepts, Inc.
Aflac Joe Mangano	Mary Kay Cosmetics
Ambassador USA LLC	Michael Schafer, Inc.
American Cancer Society	Mike Dovilla
Baker Creek Farm	National Automotive Experts
Best Benefits Club	North Coast Paving Company
Big Lots	North Royalton Power Equipment
BlueRock Financial	Northern Ohio Plumbing Co.
Butvin, Cona (Miss Hickory's Tea Room)	Ohio Home Pros Remodeling & Design
Caraustar Recycling	Parma Baptist Church
Clearview Cleaning Contractors, LLC	Primerica
Clothes Mentor	Progressive Poured Walls
Crain's Cleveland Business	RAM Diagnostics
Duncan Chiropractic	RBJones Consultants
Ehrnfelt, Thomas	Richard S. Weiser, DDS, Inc.
Fire House Subs	Samuel V. Butcher, Attorney at Law
Forest Floor Media LLC	Strongsville Athletic Boosters
Foundation Software	Strongsville United Church of Christ
Gary P. Kaplan, M.D., Inc.	Strongsville United Methodist Church
H&S Distributing, Inc.	Strongville.com
Howard Hanna	Svetlana Latkovic-Keller Williams
Howard Hanna Commercial Services	Thornhill Financial
i9 Sports	Time Warner Cable Business Class
Judith Andreano, M.D., Inc.	US Bank - Heinen's
Juice PLUS	Weisman, Kennedy & Berris Co. LPA
Kallure Salon	Welch Packaging
Lemonberry Frozen Yogurt	Weymouth Country Club
Liberty Mutual Insurance	York Road Automotive Service, Inc.

## Business After Hours - Mark Your Calendar Now!



The Cleveland Clinic Strongsville to host the summer Business After Hours:

15761 South Park Center, Strongsville, 44136

Thursday, August 29  
5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

All are welcome, free to all members of the Strongsville Chamber, \$10.00 for guests.

Reservations Required by August 23  
Register on line at [www.strongsvillechamber.com](http://www.strongsvillechamber.com) or call 440.238.3366

Plan now to join us for networking and socializing with the Strongsville Chamber!



## Let's go TRIBE!

The Strongsville Chamber of Commerce  
Young Professionals Committee to host:

An Evening at the Indians Game  
Wednesday, July 31st, 2013 at 7:05 pm  
Cleveland Indians vs. Chicago White Sox  
Meet at the Thirsty Parrot (across from the outfield gate of Progressive Field) at 5:30pm for socializing before the game

Bring your friends, family, and co-workers to join in the FUN and cheer for our Tribe!

Go to [www.strongsvillechamber.com](http://www.strongsvillechamber.com) to purchase your tickets and pick up your tickets at the Chamber office.

## The Women in Business Committee will be Hosting . . .

Yoga at Pure Health & Fitness  
13281 Prospect Road • Strongsville, OH 44149

August 14th 6:00pm – 8:00pm  
\$10.00 per person

- Light appetizers and beverages to follow the Yoga class -

Yoga Basics with Jill Pawloski

The Strongsville Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Committee would like to invite you to the Wednesday, August 14th meeting, at PURE Health & Fitness for an evening of socializing, networking and yoga. All are welcome and this event is sure to be very popular, so make your reservation early. Dress for class and bring your Yoga mat!

## Strongsville Chamber Awards 23 Scholarships

The Strongsville Chamber of Commerce awarded \$50,000 this year in scholarships and donations. At the Chamber luncheon on May 14, 23 students were awarded the Chamber of Commerce Scholarship. A donation was presented to Sts. Joseph and John School for their Media Center. The Chamber of Commerce also recognized the students that will be entering the military upon graduation. The source of funds for these scholarships is the Holiday Dance sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, on the first Friday of each December. This year's event is scheduled for Friday, December 6.

The Strongsville Chamber has donated scholarships for more than 40 years. For the past several years, the Chamber has contributed the highest number of scholarships, with the highest dollar value, of any local organization.



### 2013 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Cassidy Arsenault	Business and Marketing	Ohio University
Meghan Esarove	Health Sciences	Ohio State University
Carter Frazee	Finance	Fordham University
Michael Gaydos	Mathematics	Ohio Wesleyan
Courtney Griffith	Pre-Occupational Therapy	Bowling Green State University
Adam Gundlah	Business/Communications	Mount Union
Kathryn Kesicki	Chemistry	Ohio State University
Sean Owen	Aerospace Engineering	Ohio State University
Isabella Pirl	Music Therapy	Cleveland State University
Adam Pochatek	Mechanical Engineering	University of Cincinnati
Rachel Ragone	Biomedical Engineering	Ohio State University
Jacob Roman	Marketing	Clarion University of Pennsylvania
Jilliane Ross	Business	Bowling Green State University
Savannah Sherman	Mandarin Chinese	Ohio State University
Hayley Smith	Social Work	Ohio State University
Lori Stenger	Biology	Ohio State University
Matt Stephano	Operations Manag./Economics	University of Cincinnati
Kelsie Stopak	Exploratory/Undecided	Kent State University
Dustin Stout	Accountancy	Miami University
Marisa Supanich	Biomedical Engineering	LeTourneau University
Lauren Synk	Business Marketing	Ohio State University
Jennifer Taggart	Journalism	Cedarville University
Melissa Wilson	Speech Pathology/Special Ed.	Bowling Green State University

### 2013 STUDENTS ENTERING THE MILITARY

Brandon Balas	Yevginiy Malikov
Jacob Boros	Sydney Oleson
Ranie Boukzam	Travis Reyersbach
Patrick Dean	Daniel Saari
Aron Gates	Tony Shamatta
Kyle Gigliotti	Aizig Solomon
Micah Gunkelman	Nicholas Strunk
Joseph LaSalvia	