



SEPTEMBER 19, 2026
CLARKSON PARK



NORTHFIELD PARK DISTRICT
northfieldparks.org
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Steve Soler Rib Contest

Bragging rights & trophies to the top 3 entries



Judges

TO ENTER

- All registrations will be taken at the event only.
 - To participate, come to the Park District tent from 3:00PM to 5:30PM.
 - Registration is free but you must register by 5:30PM at which time registration closes.
 - All rib entries are due to the judging table inside the Lustig Lodge by 6:15PM SHARP.
- Ribs that come in after these times will not be judged.*

IMPORTANT INFO

- One slab of ribs with a minimum of 10 ribs is required for judging.
- Contests may choose to slice their ribs or leave them uncut.
- Appearance will not be judged.
- You may submit a cup of glazing sauce with the ribs. If you do, make sure that you do not use your "basting" sauce that has been exposed to raw or undercooked meat.
- No sale of ribs is allowed.
- Grills/smokers are not provided. You may bring your own grill/smoker. No unauthorized vehicles are allowed inside the park. If you wish to bring your grill/smoker in with your vehicle, you must contact the Park District ahead of time to obtain permission. No vehicles will be allowed to enter or exit the park on the day of the event.
- Participants are responsible for disposal. Look for metal garbage cans labeled "HOT COALS"

Any questions on the judging process should be directed to Sean Hofherr,
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