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THE GREAT MIDWEST RIB FEST RETURNS TO MYSTIC LAKE JULY 28 – 30

PRIOR LAKE – APRIL 25, 2017 – Rounding out the summer's top Twin Cities' events will be The Great Midwest Rib Fest at Mystic Lake July 28 through 30. In its fourth year, the outdoor festival will feature ten of the nation's best rib cookers and free concerts—all part of Mystic Lake's Silver Anniversary Summer celebration.

Synonymous with summer is music and dancing in the open air. The Great Midwest Rib Fest has something for every music taste with free concerts each day. On Friday night, Blind Melon takes the stage at 6 p.m. with The Romantics following at 8 p.m. On Saturday night, Ann Wilson performs at 8 p.m. and additional free entertainment throughout the day will be announced soon. Country music lovers won't want to miss Little Texas and Lonestar on Sunday.

The event runs Friday, July 28 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, July 29 from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday, July 30 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and open to all ages. VIP packages are available and more information can be found soon at mysticlake.com/ribfest

Attendees have the opportunity to purchase ribs from the ten rib cookers and vote in the Best of the Fest people's choice award. Professional culinary and media personalities will also be judging the same ribs and sauces served to the public, awarding thousands in cash prizes to the top rib cookers. Trophies will be distributed and the awarded rib cookers will have bragging rights for years.

Food and drink will also be available for purchase, including Kernel's Sweet Corn, Ben & Jerry's® Ice Cream, lemonade and margaritas. Those looking for a wild ride can saddle up on the mechanical hog. Riders must be 18+ and sign a waiver.

For more information on The Great Midwest Rib Fest, please visit mysticlake.com/ribfest

EVENT: The Great Midwest Rib Fest

DATE: Friday, July 28, 5 – 10 pm
Saturday, July 29, 11 am – 10 pm
Sunday, July 30, 11 am – 5 pm

MUSIC: Friday, July 28
6 pm Blind Melon
8 pm The Romantics

Saturday, July 29
8 pm Ann Wilson
Additional free entertainment throughout the day will be announced soon.

Sunday, July 30
1 pm Little Texas
3:30 pm Lonestar

Schedules are subject to change.

LOCATION: The festival will take place in the North Event Lot.

DETAILS: This free festival is open to all ages. Additional vendors will serve sides, desserts and drinks. Guests must be 18+ or accompanied by parent or legal guardian to attend this event. Guests must be 18 to gamble and 21 to purchase or consume alcohol. Get more details at mysticlake.com/ribfest

THE GREAT MIDWEST RIB FEST BARBECUE CONTESTANTS

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ABOUT MYSTIC LAKE CASINO HOTEL

Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, the premier gaming facility in the Midwest, continually creates new, fun and exciting entertainment experiences for its guests. Mystic Lake® offers gaming, three lively bars, exceptional dining at seven restaurants, headline performers, unique special events and luxurious accommodations. Located 25 minutes southwest of Minneapolis/St. Paul in Prior Lake.

Visit Mystic Lake in RiverSouth—Land of Big Fun! RiverSouthSM is a joint public-private collaboration promoting premier entertainment destinations just from Minneapolis. With four of Minnesota's biggest attractions just four miles apart, there's fun around every bend. Partners include Canterbury Park, Mystic Lake Casino Hotel, Valleyfair, the Renaissance Festival, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, and the cities of Prior Lake and Shakopee.

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