

It's time for ribs, music and fun on the Commons

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By noon-ish today, the wonderful aroma of ribs and chicken barbecuing on massive grills will be wafting throughout town, because at 4 p.m. this afternoon, the Strongsville City Club's 23rd annual Rib Burn Off officially welcomes guests onto the City Commons.

Live entertainment each of the three days in the gazebo begins with Armstrong Bearcats tonight, Grand Avenue on Friday, Island Jeff at 1 p.m. on Saturday with Raisin' Cain's rousing performance to conclude this event.

Admission is \$2 per person, while kids 10 and younger are free. And shuttle service -- also free -- is available from either the Ehrnfelt Recreation and Senior Complex or Center Middle School.

The Burn Off is one of two major annual fundraising projects for the SCC members, the group that sponsors those extraordinary athletes involved in the year-round competitive Special Olympics. The second is the Breakfast on the Bridge in September, coinciding with Arts in Strongsville's A Day at the Chalet.

As always, this weekend is one which provides moms a break from cooking with lip smackin' delectable ribs, moist 'n tender chicken, buttery corn-on-the-cob, spuds baked, fried and curled, plus desserts galore, especially the oodles of selections of ice cream at the Strongsville Lions' Club's tent to cool off patrons' palates.

Once again there will be plenty of activities to keep the younger set entertained, especially with those bouncy inflatables.

Bring your appetites, Strongsville!

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