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MINNESOTA'S ORIGINAL
FAMILY RESORT

2018 SPRING EDITION



THE PRES SAYS...

A Message from Chris Ruttger

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RUTTGER'S RENAMES GOLF COURSE

In keeping with the tradition of naming amenities after significant figures in resort history, Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge will rename its 18-hole championship golf course Jack's 18 in honor of Ruttger's beloved Chairman of the Board Jack Ruttger. The course will officially be renamed at a ceremony on Sunday, June 3, where Jack will sign commemorative embroidered Jack's 18 flags. In addition to the renaming, new logos were created for both courses.



NEWS AND NUGGETS...

From the desk of Joanne Ruttger



RESORT IMPROVEMENTS IN 2018

While the resort was closed over the winter, the following improvements were made. We sincerely hope you enjoy them.

- The original wood floor in front of the fireplace in the Fireplace Lobby was exposed and refinished. It's beautiful.
- New wooden tabletops were installed in Ruby's Dining Room.
- The women's restroom across from the library was remodeled
- Lodge rooms 110 and 112 were remodeled.
- The ceiling over the pool was redone.
- Women's and men's locker rooms in the pool were remodeled.
- The sauna was remodeled.
- IN PROGRESS NOW - New deck railing is being installed at Zig's.
- IN PROGRESS NOW - The East Deck is being refinished.

THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS RETURN

Thirty one international students from Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Hungary will begin to arrive on June 6. Returning from last year are Mateusz, Rafal, Monika, Jagoda and Klaudia.



RUTTGER'S HIRES BRANDON PROJECT STUDENTS FOR THE 2018 SEASON

In a partnership with the Brainerd School District's Special Education Department, Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge is one of two area resorts that will hire students through a new workplace transition program called the Brandon Project. The Brandon Project was spearheaded by Director of Special Education Heidi Hahn of the Paul Bunyan Education Cooperative in Brainerd. These student-employees received job-specific training (housekeeping and dish washing) at the Brandon Project Training Academy. The project was made possible thanks to grant money from the National Joint Powers Alliance.

THE “McCHUNG” FAMILIES CELEBRATE 10 YEARS

Ten years ago, Vinh Chung and his wife Megan McCabe decided to have a Ruttger’s getaway over Mother’s Day weekend. In addition to their children, they invited a few friends and neighbors. Fun was had by all. The next year, they invited a few more, then a few more, and then the whole neighborhood. The crew adopted the moniker “McChung” and a tradition was born.



This year, a crew of 154 people flocked to the shores of Bay Lake for fun on the golf course and around the resort. Vihn and his family, and many, many friends are a delight (and very funny, too, as evidenced by his Prince costume). Ruttger’s is looking forward to another decade of fun at the lake.

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📅 CALENDAR OF EVENTS We’ve got the entire season packed full of



120th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
June 1-3



BEER AND BACON BONANZA
June 15-17



STEELE RIVER BAND IN CONCERT
Saturday, June 16



OCTOBER SON IN CONCERT
Saturday, June 30



FOURTH OF JULY CARNIVAL
Thursday, July 5



FIREWORKS
Friday, July 6



FORREST GUMP
July 7



IPSO FACTO IN CONCERT
Saturday, July 14

☺ STORIES & MEMORIES...

GOLF GROUP CELEBRATES 20 YEARS OF GOLFING FUN

In 1998, a group of Fantasy Football playing friends calling themselves the UFFL Spring Classic Golf Group planned a boys golfing trip to Ruttger's. They've been coming back every year since. Some even bring their families up during other weeks of the season. A great bunch of guys. As you can see in the pictures on the right, the boys haven't changed a bit. See you next year. In the meantime, hit it straight.

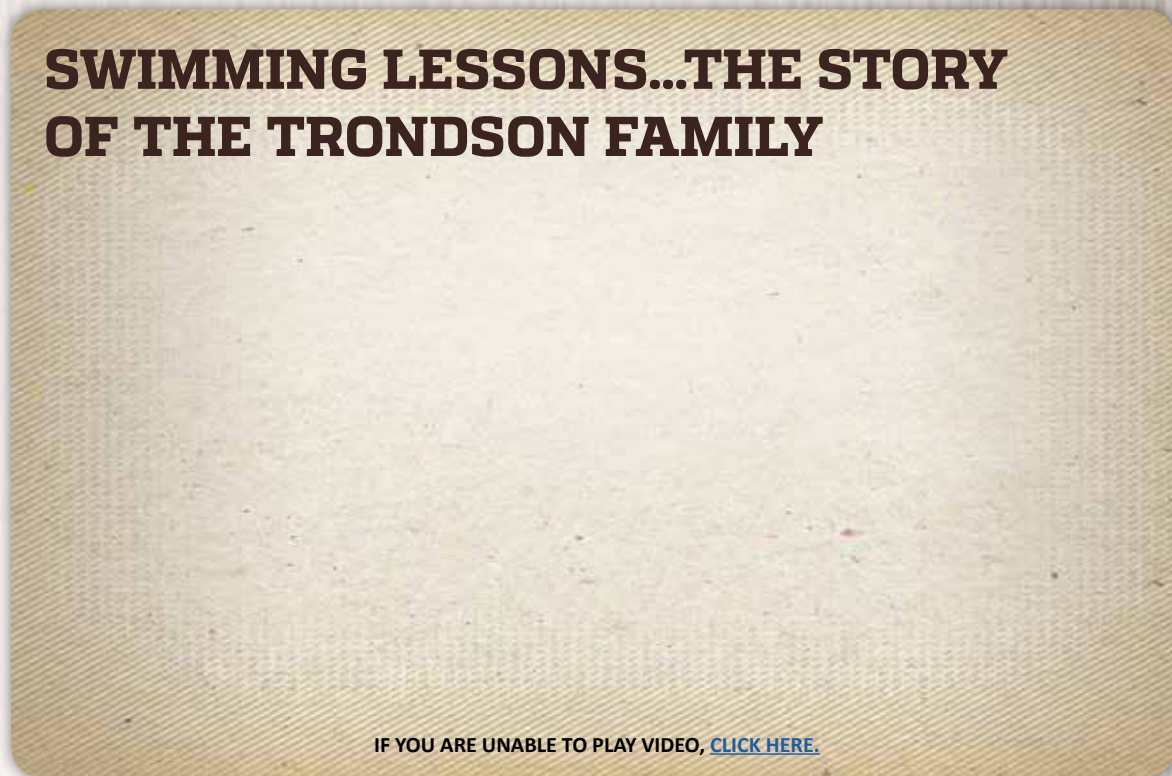


UFFL in 1999



UFFL in 2018

SWIMMING LESSONS...THE STORY OF THE TRONDSON FAMILY



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TELL US YOUR STORY

We would love to hear your story? Send stories or pictures to dave.mcmillan@ruttgers.com or via any of Ruttger's social media.

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UP
July 21



KING'S RANSOM IN CONCERT
Saturday, July 28



MEATBALLS
August 4



BLUES & BBQ BASH
Saturday, August 11



KEN VALDEZ IN CONCERT
Saturday, August 11



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
August 18



SHOTGUN DRAMA JUNKIES IN CONCERT
Saturday, August 25



FALL FASHION SHOW
Saturday, August 25

☺ WHAT'S NEW IN 2018



KIDS' KAMP RETURNS TO ROOTS AS ADVENTURES CAMP

Kids' Kamp has been part of the Ruttger's experience for 80 years. This year, led by Activities Coordinator Laura Marsolek, it will return to its origins as an outdoor adventure camp focused on spending time connecting with nature, on the lake, in the woods and around the resort.

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INTRODUCING THE OFFICIAL MARSHMALLOW OF SUMMER!

Summer is better with a s'more by the bonfire and s'mores are better with North Mallow artisan marshmallows, the official marshmallows of Ruttger's. North Mallow are Minnesota made, all natural marshmallows that have no high fructose corn syrup, so they won't catch on fire. Three great flavors are available: vanilla, caramel and chocolate. Yum!



BLUES & BBQ BASH
AUGUST 11 | 4-9 p.m.

EVENT INFORMATION

BEER! BLUES! BBQ!

A beer tasting featuring local craft breweries, a BBQ feast prepared by pit master Terry Dox and an outdoor blues concert by Ken Valdez!

Introducing...



MOONLIGHT MOVIE NIGHTS



FOREST GUMP
JULY 7 at 9 p.m.

A beloved classic about a boy who runs a lot. PG-13.



UP
JULY 21 at 9 p.m.

A boy scout and old man go on a wild adventure. PG.



MEATBALLS
AUG. 4 at 9 p.m.

Bill Murray goes to camp. Hijinks ensue. Rated PG



THE GREAT OUTDOORS
AUG. 18 at 9 p.m.

Brothers-in-law struggle in the wilderness. PG.

MOVIES WILL SHOWN ON THE SHORES OF BAY LAKE. FREE FOR ALL RESORT GUESTS.



BEER & BACON BONANZA!
JUNE 16 | 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

EVENT INFORMATION

LODGING INFORMATION

BEER AND BACON BONANZA IS BACK!

This quirky, fun and popular event is back in 2018! Yes, we are going to continue our tongue-in-cheek campaign to get Kevin Bacon to come to the event, but even without him, this event will grow. A major addition to this year's porkalicious lineup will be live pig races. Other festivities Include:

- Major craft beer tasting
- Concert by Steele River Band
- Beer and bacon games
- Beer and Bacon "try-athlon"
- Pork belly flop contest
- Mr. Bacon "Beauty" Pageant
- "Piggy" races
- Live-action "Angry Birds"

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2018 SUMMER CONCERT LINEUP

Ruttger's Summer Concert Series is back and bigger and better. Enjoy great live music with Bay Lake as the backdrop. **Free for resort guests.**

MAY 26 7 p.m.	LAKE EFFECT Part of Memorial Day celebration	JULY 28 7 p.m.	KINGS RANSOM
JUNE 16 7 p.m.	STEELE RIVER BAND Part of Beer and Bacon Bonanza	AUG. 11 7 p.m.	KEN VALDEZ Part of Beer and BBQ Bash
JUNE 30 7 p.m.	OCTOBER SON Back by popular demand!	AUG. 25 7 p.m.	SHOTGUN DRAMA JUNKIES
JULY 14 7 p.m.	IPSO FACTO Back by popular demand!	SEPT. 1 7 p.m.	HANGFIRE Part of Labor Day celebration

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☺ GOOD TIME IN THE FALL OF 2018



ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE
HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27
Ruttger's is throwing its first ever Halloween party... and it's going to be a doozy! Wear your costume, but beware of zombies. The festivities include:

FIVE K INSANE BRAIN TERROR RUN
POSTRACE APOCALYPSE PARTY

EVENT INFORMATION



Oktoberfest
OCTOBER 19-21

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EVENT DETAILS **LODGING DETAILS**

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HANGFIRE IN CONCERT
September 1



OKTOBERFEST
October 19-21



ZOMBIE 5K & APOCALYPSE PARTY
Saturday, October 27



THANKSGIVING FEAST GETAWAY
November 21-24

LODGING SPECIALS



KIDS STAY FREE VACATIONS

DATES	RATES
April 22 - June 28	\$89-\$199
July 8- 17	\$159-\$199
July 22-24	\$169-\$209
August 12 - 16	\$139-\$199
August 19 - Oct. 18	\$89-\$189

RUTTGER'S KIDS STAY & EAT FREE PACKAGES INCLUDE:

- Lodging
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Unlimited golf on the Alec's Nine, reduced rates on The Lakes.
- Kids' Kamp activities
- Use of tennis courts, beach, pools, whirlpool, sauna, family activities, and more!

Through age 17, kids stay for free when they share a studio or 1-bedroom room with parents. One child per adult is FREE. Additional children ages 4-17 are \$35-\$89 per child, per night.

SPECIAL OCCASION KIDS STAY FREE VACATIONS

DATES	RATES	SPECIALS
FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND June 15-17	\$149-\$175	Includes admission into Beer & Bacon Bonanza!
SUMMER ESCAPE June 17-29	\$159-\$179	
SUMMER VALUE DAYS July 8-15	\$179-\$199	
LAZY DAZE OF SUMMER I Aug. 19-23	\$145-\$165	
LAZY DAZE OF SUMMER II Aug. 26-30	\$99-\$129	
LABOR DAY Aug. 31-Sept 3	\$149-\$169	

Plan Your Vacation Today:
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SPECIAL VACATION PACKAGES

120TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL



\$120 SPRING OR FALL VACATION!

May 28 – June 7
and Sept. 20 – Oct. 17, 2018

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DISCOVER RUTTGER'S SPECIAL



10% OFF AND KIDS STAY FREE

Valid for first-time Ruttger's guests only.

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FISHING PACKAGE GETAWAYS



STARTING AT \$99 PER NIGHT!

Includes use of fishing boat, breakfast and dinner daily and more.

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GOLFING GETAWAY SPECIALS



GOLF & STAY FOR A LITTLE AS \$65!

Packages are available that include unlimited golf with a cart and meals.

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