

Thumper Pond Resort opens in Ottertail

Thumper Pond Resort in Ottertail is now open. Located in the "Heart of the Minnesota lakes country", Thumper Pond Resort is nestled amongst 90,000 pine trees and is home to a championship 18-hole golf course. The resort is nearby fishing, shops, antiques, state parks, and local attractions.

"We are proud of the fact that Thumper Pond is a 100 percent smoke and drug free facility" states President, Verle Blaha.

Thumper Pond Resort is a year round resort and features Thumper Pond Golf Course, an 18-hole championship golf course and Pro Shop. Our conference center (3,190 square feet) can accommodate up to 300 guests for meetings, and wedding receptions. The Boardroom can be used for small groups up to 50 people for retreats or social functions. "The Red Pine Restaurant", which features a menu for every occasion, is open to hotel guests and the public for breakfast, lunch, and dinner daily. The Eagle View Lounge - with its

breathtaking views of the golf course - will be serving food, cocktails, and refreshments from 11 a.m. until 1 a.m. "Betty's Boutique", the gift shop, features local artist items, unique gifts and apparel and is open daily from 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Opening this fall, will be "Serene Woods Spa", a full-service spa, and "The Northern Hideaway" Indoor Waterpark (12,000 square feet) with a 3-story water slide, lazy river, whirlpool, children's activity pool, and snack bar. Next spring will be an Executive 9-hole golf course and driving range.

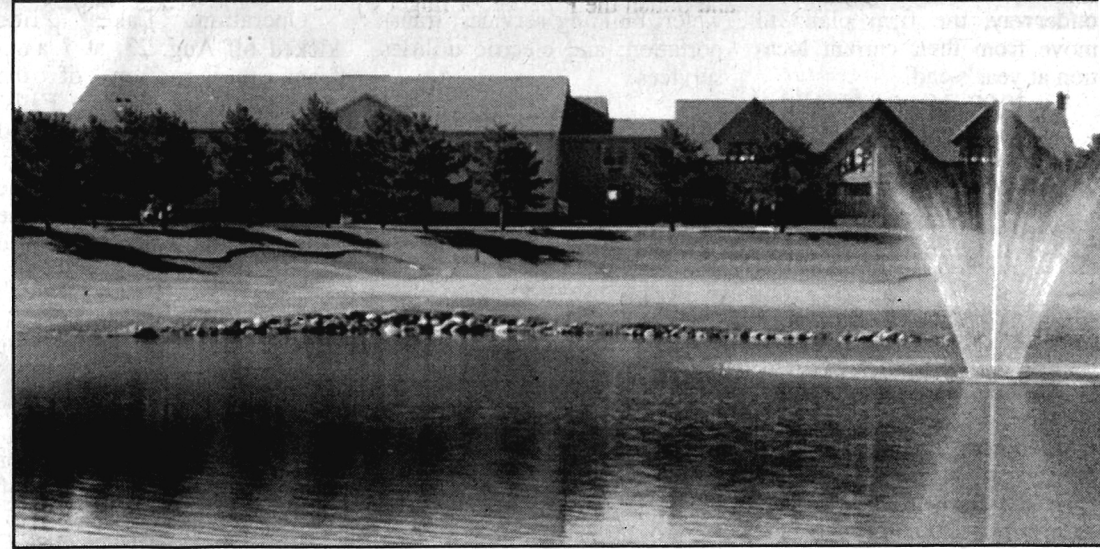
The Comfort Suites Hotel opened its doors on June 3, 2005 comprising of 78 suites. Of those, 15 feature a whirlpool tub and three with a fireplace and whirlpool. All of the suites feature one king or two queen size beds. Guests will enjoy amenities that include a separate seating area with sofa sleeper, 27-inch color TV with cable access, refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker, iron and ironing

board, hairdryer, complimentary high speed wired and wireless internet, voice messaging, data ports on telephones, free local calls, On Command movies and music, as well as fitness center, and arcade. Opening soon will be the business center and guest laundry.

Room rates include a complimentary breakfast in "The Red Pine Restaurant" each morning. Discounts are available when booked in advance on a space-available basis for seniors, American Automobile Association members, business travelers, government and military personnel and groups. Children, ages 18 and under, stay free when accompanied by an adult.

The hotel participates in Choice's Choice Privileges rewards program where guests can earn points toward free stays, airline miles or gifts when staying at U.S. Comfort Inn, Comfort Suites, Quality, Sleep Inn, Clarion and MainStay Suites hotels.

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Thumper's Red Pine Restaurant now open

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For further information call (218) 367-2000.

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