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Read All About It!

Hot off the press is a new book celebrating the history of Breezy Point Resort and its flamboyant founder, Wilford Hamilton "Captain Billy" Fawcett. Entitled Breezy Point, the book contains a rich history of the Resort and the many characters that have made it a north woods legend.

Author Pete Richie grew up memorizing jokes from Captain Billy's Whiz Bang. His previous book, Images of America: Robbinsdale, showcased Whiz Bang's hometown. This volume draws on the photographic collection of Captain Billy's historic Breezy Point Resort, the City of Breezy Point, and the Crow Wing County Historical Society.

The following is an excerpt from the introduction of the

"At the age of 16, Wilford Hamilton Fawcett, better known as Captain Billy, ran away from home, joined the army, and shipped out to the Philippines. Fawcett served as a private during the Philippine Insurrection. After the kris blade of a

tribesman tore through his leg, army doctors recommended an amputation. Fawcett rejected the operation, returned home, and found a backwoods Doctor who had a reputation for saving doomed limbs.

When he was back up on his feet, Fawcett married Viva Claire Meyers. In 1906 the couple settled in Minnesota where Fawcett took a job as a railway clerk. Soon his wife gave birth to twins and Fawcett took a second job as a police reporter for a Minneapolis newspaper.

At the outbreak of World War I he returned to the army where he worked on the military newspaper, Stars and Stripes.

Fawcett rose to the rank of captain and adopted his famous nickname, "Captain

When he returned from the war Fawcett opened a bar called the Army Navy Club. Unfortunately, prohibition became the law of the land in 1919. The bar closed and Fawcett was left scrambling to support his growing fam-

During his army days Fawcett collected saucy stories he didn't dare print in Star and Stripes. Inspired by a North Dakota periodical called Jim Jam Jems, Fawcett decided to risk \$500.00 and print a humor magazine for veterans. Named after himself and the sound of an incoming artillery shell, the first issue of Captain Billy's Whiz Bang sold out in less than a week. By the time the



Mid-thirty's photo of Captain Billy on the trapshooting range.

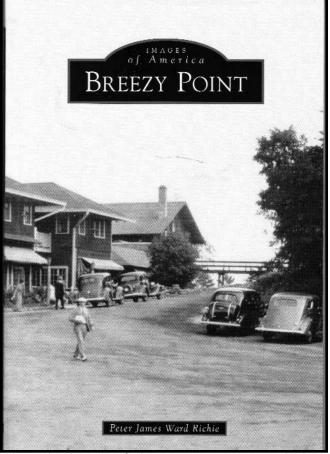
fourth issue hit the newsstands, the little magazine had sold over 500,000 copies.

Fawcett became rich and famous almost overnight. In 1920, Captain Billy and his brothers Harvey and Roscoe Fawcett formed Fawcett Publications. The men set up shop in the upper floors of the Security State Bank building in Robbinsdale, Minnesota and went to work creating Jazz-Age America's bestloved periodicals."

Richie scoured the photo archives at Breezy Point Resort, City of Breezy Point, Crow Wing County Historical Society, Hennepin County Library and the Robbinsdale Historical Society.

He expertly describes the successes and setbacks at the Resort over the past 95 years. The accompanying photos provide a glimpse into the Resort's celebrity guests and accommoda-

This book is certain to be a favorite for anyone interest-



ed in the history of this area. It would be a perfect gift for families who've spent their memorable times at the Resort.

Breezy Point is available at the Resort's Gift Shop or by calling 218-562-7152 for a

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Wilford H. "Captain Billy Fawcett, founder of Breezy Point Resort

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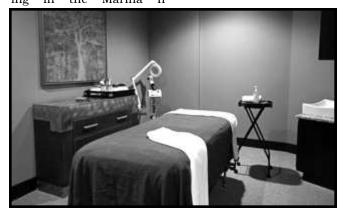


ucts for skincare, makeup,

Breezy Point Resort offers a Serenity Spa Package which includes 2 nights lodging in the Breezy Inn, \$100 spa services at the new Serenity Spa, breakfast each mornin the Marina

Restaurant and dinner one night, choice of the menu, at Antlers Restaurant.

For more information and appointments at Serenity Spa, call 218-562-7158. You will be glad that you



The Little Known **History of Coffee Shops**

Long before Starbucks coffee shops dotted the landscape across the U.S., a former president and his family created the prototype for today's specialty coffee shops.

Writer Jancee Dunn, in an article for Smithsonian Magazine, describes how Theodore Roosevelt and his children in 1919 opened the Brazilian Coffee House in New York City. Their timing was great because two months later Prohibition became the law of the land. When the bars were shuttered. many customers found their way to the Roosevelt's establishment.

Two years later, they were forced to change the name because the rights to Brazilian Coffee House were owned by another New York party. The new name was the Double R Coffee House.

Their concept was simple. Serve high quality coffee and pastries, provide comfortable surroundings, educate the customers on the finer points of coffee and encourage the customers to stay.

Small tables and chairs were grouped around the room. Each table was furnished with ink, envelopes and paper. Dictionaries and encyclopedias were available. "What we desire to do," Philip Roosevelt told a reporter, "is to provide a place for people to come, where they can talk, write letters, eat sandwiches and cake, and above all, drink real coffee."



Theodore Roosevelt

The Roosevelts expanded the business to four location in New York and investigated opening coffee houses in other cities.

Breezy Point Resort has created a similar destination in the form of the Coffee House with all of the attributes of the Double R Coffee House. The dictionaries and encyclopedias have been replaced with Wifi but the experience is the same.

Appraisals are where you get together with your team leader and agree what an outstanding member of the team you are, how much your contribution has been valued, what massive potential you have and, in recognition of all this, would you mind having your salary halved. -Teddy Roosevelt

Queen Summer Resort of the Northern Pines of Minnesota" Whiz Bang Bill Announces The Opening of the Queen Summer Resort of the Northern Pines of Minnesota The new summer home of Pedro, Marigold, Gus the hired man, and Ye Editor has been established among the big pines of northern Minnesota, on the sandy shore of Eig Pelican Lake, and invites the summer vacationists to come and enjoy life in the open. Twenty new log cabins completely furnished for housekeeping, electric lights, running water, large cabin club house, bathing, canoeing, motor boating, fishing, trap shooting, wild game hunting in season, dancing, tennis and aerial sports. Breezy Point Aeroplane makes regular passenger flights from the Twin Cities to this oasis in the northern forest. Located 160 miles north of Minneapolis over the Jefferson Highway and the Minnesota Scenic Highway. The new summer home of Pedro, Marigold, Gus the hired man, For further information write to W. H. FAWCETT, Owner Pequot or Robbinsdale, Minn. An ad announcing the opening of Breezy Point Lodge, published in

the August 1921 issue of Captain Billy's Whiz Bang.

Hockey Camps at Breezy Point Hockey Center

Camps are focused on providing players with a balanced hockey education that helps them improve their skills and understanding of the game while providing a fun social hockey experience. Players receive some of the best coaching and training at one of the most complete hockey training facilities in the country.

Players receive three to four hours of ice time each day, focusing on the performance of various skills and improvement of their

The Breezy Point Hockey receive off-ice training which includes skating treadmill instruction. Off the ice players are taught plyometric exercises that they can perform at home to improve their strength, endurance and speed.

> Players also receive dryland stick-handling & shooting training to promote the proper form and technique for stick-handling, wrist shots, backhand shots, snap shots, and slap shots.

While the primary focus is the quality of their hockey techniques. Players also education on the ice, they

also experience a fun and exciting social hockey camp experience that they will remember for the rest of their lives.

The 2016 Summer Hockey Camps are open to boys and girls ages 8-16. The cost of the camps includes all lodging, meals, ice time, instruction, off ice training and 24 hour supervision of athletes.

For more information, call 218 562-5672 or visit the website: www.breezypointsports.com

Skate Dance Dream

Skating Camp, June 19-24, at the Breezy Point Ice Arena is offering an exciting program.

From the dance floor to the ice surface, the dance to ice movement kicks off with former figure skater and top 8 dance finalist from Fox's "So You Think You Can Dance" Sara VonGillern. Joining her in teaching the dance-and performance focused-curriculum, will be U.S. National Top 10 Men's finisher, Sean Rabbitt, former U.S. National Champion Junior Champion, Parker Pennington, and The week's festivities will

The Point of Perfection National Synchronized Skating Competitor, Marissa Diaz.

> Participants will also get to put their own creativity front and center in the Ice Factor Challenge and get tips from these pros! And, they will get to perform alongside them in the final showcase group performance for their family and friends!

> You won't want to miss this amazing opportunity to skate with, learn from, and perform with this fun, upbeat, charismatic team!

also include focus in areas such as: pole harness, jump and spin techniques to help round out the full skating experience.

Minnesota-based faculty Barb Yackel, Peter Biver and Rosie Hanson bring a wide range of experience to the event from performing in Ice Follies and Holiday On Ice to formerly competing at the Sectional and National level in singles and pairs. The knowledge they impart will undoubtedly leave you wanting more!

For more information, call 651 283-4467.

Int'l Staff arrives in May

welcome 56 college students from Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and Hungary. The first will arrive in late May and stay until mid-September.

their 2nd or 3rd year of college. Their professional plans include gaining an understanding American cultural.

Europeans customarilyknow at least 3 different languages. English is taught in their grade The students' compensaschools.

Breezy Point Resort will housekeepers, grounds keepers for the golf courses and resort grounds and in Resort kitchens.

These students all have the dream of coming to the United States so this All of the students are in is an opportunity of a lifetime. For most, they are the first in their family to travel to the U.S. Families that have members who have traveled to the U.S. are regarded in their communities as important people.

tion is the same as that of U.S. employees. They will They will be employed as be staying in the Resort's

dormitory.

Each student's U.S. visa allows a stay not to exceed 4 months. Generally, the students work for 3 months and then spend 1 month traveling throughout the U.S. before returning home.

Breezy Point Resort is proud to host these students, not only for their great work ethic and dependability, but also because they become goodwill ambassadors for the Resort and the people of the U.S. when they return to their home countries.

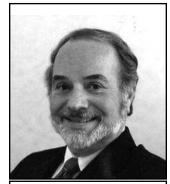
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managing your swing on the course. A lot of guys can go out and hit a golf ball, but they have no idea how to manage what they do with the ball. I've won as many golf tournaments hitting the ball badly as I have = Jack Nicklaus hitting the ball well.

A big part of managing a golf course is

From the Desk of **Bob Spizzo**



Bob Spizzo Whitebirch CEO

long bucket list included a visit to Cuba.

My timing was right as I achieved this goal before Starbucks, McDonald's, President Obama and the Rolling Stones arrived!

I joined a study group from Central Lakes College in Brainerd, MN, so I could explore the hospitality industry potential, along with the culture of a country that has been communist controlled for over fifty years.

Located only 90 miles from the United States,

the weather was fantastic Hungary. during my entire stay. The food was fresh and delicious but the really big surprise was the Cuban people. They were healthy, happy and, even after 50 years of embargo imposed by the United States in its attempt to rid Cuba of the Castro brothers and their communist connections. were delighted to see and welcome Americans.

The warm welcome I received from the Cubans reminds my team at Breezy Point Resort and me how important it is to welcome the international students that we employ each year.

This past year we had North Stars hockey players from Japan and Sweden. We also had 55 college students from China and 12 students from Peru.

This summer we will be welcoming about 50 students from Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and

The students arrive with preconceived concepts of Americans - both good and bad. We trust that they will return to their home countries as ambassadors for the United States.

I encourage local families to welcome and meet these great students and possibly invite them to dinner or a shopping trip to the mall. You will be delighted to learn about their country and culture.

I have personally visited former student employees and their families in South Africa and Paris. The rewards are mutual and long lasting, just as was my trip to Cuba. I already have a young Cuban pen pal who wants to know more about the United States and other countries.

And yes..... I did buy Cuban cigars and Rum - it is legal now.

We Welcome Our Neighbors to the North



Breezy Point Resort is truly an international des-

Our Canadian neighbors discovered the Resort many years ago.

Some are timeshare owners and others are attracted by the combination of the Resort's reasonable rates, attractive packages, and great golf. These factors have made it their Resort of Choice.

Golf groups from Thunder Bay, Dryden, Winnipeg and Calgary have discovered the advantages of vacationing at the Resort.

The common refrain is, "The all-inclusive golf packages can't be beat. We only wish we had more time to spend here."

Take a look at the terrific deals and see why Breezy Point Resort is every golfers first choice.

Pelican Lake Levels Fluctuated

The 1930s were extreme- Lake, later renamed Lake ly dry years, lowering the level of Pelican Lake to 7 feet below normal.

James Henderson's book. LOST IN THE WOODS, The Legacy of CCC Camp Pelican, dispels the story "Captain Billy' Fawcett's clandestine efforts to dig a channel.

In 1933 resort owners on the lake, most likely including Fawcett, began complaining to the Minnesota Dept. of Conservation, demanding that something be done to restore the lake level.

Working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, a plan was devised to divert water from Pelican Brook to Pelican Lake. The plan was then revised

Ossawinnamakee.

The Works Progress Administration (WPA), a part of FDR's New Deal program was selected to do the work. Final plans were approved in August of 1937 and work began.

The channel and dam were opened in April of 1938, bringing the much needed water to Pelican Lake. By August of that year, Pelican had been raised 3 feet.

The original dam had removable logs which enabled local residents to arbitrarily adjust the water flow between the lakes. This led to complaints on both lakes.

Anyone could easily to divert water from Long remove the logs to permit

navigation between the two lakes and many fishermen did just that. Trying to achieve a consistent flow of water was difficult and necessitated hiring Edgar Welch as a local "dam watcher" to prevent the removal of the stop logs by the public.

Ownership of the dam transferred to the City of Breezy Point in 1961 and in 1979 was turned over to the State of Minnesota.

It wasn't until 1995, during reconstruction of highway 11 that the log dam was replaced with the present concrete dam.

Since 1979, during periods of high water in Pelican, water flows from Pelican into Ossawinnamakee.

Things to Do

Mountain Biking

Get your heart pumping with the tight turns and scenic vistas of this highly anticipated, singletrack trail system! Enjoy over 25 miles of riding spread across 800 acres in Cuyuna Country State Recreation Area. Cycle Path and Paddle, Crosby at (218) 545-4545

offers mountain bike rentals.

Zip Lines

Brand new to the heart of cabin country is Brainerd Zip Line Tour! Enjoy 15mile views of the Brainerd Lakes Area while zipping along the cables at the peak of Mount Ski Gull in Nisswa. Call (952) 8733900 for information.

Horseback Riding

What better place to ride than a peaceful 280 acre, family owned stable. Pine River Riding Stables has well-trained horses and ponies for everyone.

Call 218-587-5807 for

Mushlin to Manage Breezy Point Ice Arena

named General Manager of the Breezy Point Ice Arena.

Mushlin comes to Breezy Point from New York where he most recently was assistant manager of the Barclays Center, the home of the New York Islanders NHL team.

Rory Mushlin has been all aspects of the ice arena Arena was built in 1998 operations.

> David Spizzo, Whitebirch, Inc. vice president, said, "We welcome Rory to the Ice Arena and our community. He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge that will facilitate the continued growth of the arena's business."

He will be responsible for The Breezy Point Ice

by Whitebirch, Inc. and is one of only a few privately owned ice arenas in Minnesota.

It is home to the Pequot Lakes school hockey programs, Breezy Point North Stars, Northern Lakes Youth Hockey Association and the Breezy Point Figure Skating club.

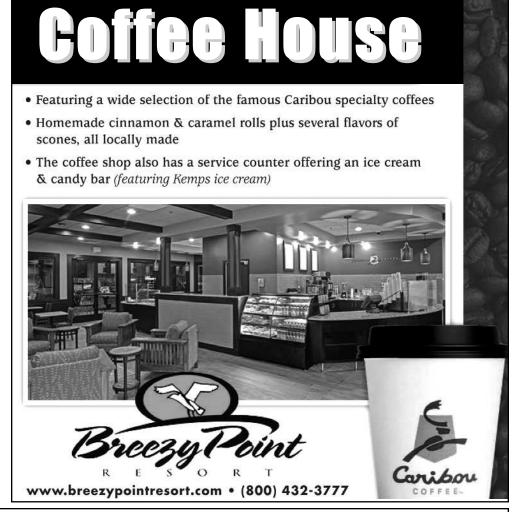
Breezy Belle Honored

received top honors from MN Meetings+Events magazine. The award was in the Best Boats/Cruises/Charters category. Runners-up were Al and Alma's Supper Club and Charter Cruises, Paradise Charter Cruises and Minneapolis Queen.

The Breezy Belle recently The magazine said "The planners be at the top of annual Best of Awards are designed to honor the cream of the crop in the regional meetings and events industry. The awards are a celebration of the hard work and above-and-beyond service of suppliers who help cruise operators."

their game."

David Spizzo, Breezy Belle Cruises, Inc. president, said, "It's gratifying to receive this award in view of being selected out of a field of such prestigious



The Breezy Belle Continues to Make Memories



The bride and groom exchange their vows on the Breezy Belle.

2015 saw another season of growth for the Breezy Belle. This 100-passenger genuine paddle wheeler hosted over 4000 passengers on her scheduled and chartered sailings.

The relaxing cruises give her guests a close-up look at the beauty of Pelican Lake. If you have sharp eyes, you just may see the goat herd that make its summer home on uninhabited Gooseberry Island. It has been reported that some passengers have also seen the elusive "bigfoot".

The diesel powered Belle was built in 2003 to U.S. Coast Guard specifications and is piloted by a licensed captain whose chief responsibility is the

safety and comfort of his passengers.

Creature comforts aboard the Belle include a full bar and restroom and ample room to move around.

Guests have their choice of main deck seating surrounded by oversized windows that provide excellent viewing or seating on the covered upper deck for an open-air experience.

In addition to the 2-hour scheduled public cruises, the Belle hosts chartered cruises for wedding parties, groom's dinners, family reunions, bachelor and bachelorette parties, class reunions, company picnics, golf groups, birthday parties and conference attendees.

The Resort's sales staff can expertly customize a cruise to specifically meet your group's requirements. Onboard food preparation equipment, including a grill for steak frys and picnics, is available for onboard dining.

The Belle departs the dock at Dockside Lounge for its scheduled public and charter cruises.

Admission is \$20 for adults, \$14 for children 10 and under and children under 4 are free. For more information on the Breezy Belle cruise schedule and the many charter possibilities, call 800 432-

return.

Our Guests Say the **Nicest Things**

•We stayed at one of lodge area. A little incon-Deacon's "cabins". It was a 6 bedroom 4 bathroom house. Everything was clean and the beds/pillows were very comfortable! With 23 people staying at the house, we did not feel crowded. Plenty of room. We played pool at the pool table and cards at the card table and the shuttle service promptly took us to the pool and back. Very fun! We will

•We stayed in the winter, mainly to visit friends in the area and to be able to spend time in the swimming pools with our son. It was very relaxing.

If you snowmobile, this is a great home base as the trails are right through and near the resort.

We were in the Eagle's Nest section of the resort. which was a drive from the pools and the main besides the pools and we

venient, but there is a shuttle available for free. It was quieter and more private than the main lodge rooms.

•I had an amazing time! There are a ton of things to do and the staff is super friendly. This is exactly what I needed! Thank you so much for the great memories! I will definitely be coming back and recommending this place to all of my friends and family!

Nothing would have made it more comfortable. It was great! We enjoyed the fireplace, whirlpool tub, and gas grill. Everything was very, very nice.

We are a family of four with children 7 & 5. We really enjoyed our stay. It was October so not a lot was open to do in the area

did a little hiking. We came for a nice, relaxing mini vacation and that's exactly what we had. Our accommodations were wonderful!

•We had a very wonderful stay. We brought another couple with us and they enjoyed the facility as much as we did. We were there at a slow time for the resort and just as the weather was beginning to get nice. It was great. We had a wonderful time! Thank you.

•I had no reservation for my room for this conference but the staff worked to find a cancellation as you were full and put me into a nice room - it all worked out well - I would like to come back.

•Everything was great. We really enjoyed our stay. It was a good introduction to Breezy Point. We'll be

Minnesota Trivia

Minnesota has provided more Olympic and professional hockey players than any other state.

Minnesota's own Phillip's liquor company was the first to emphasize drinking in moderation through a media campaign.

Eighty percent of the wood harvested in Minnesota becomes paper and paper products.

Bloomington and Minneapolis are the two farthest north cities to host a World Series game.

The Minnesota Legislature was the first to ratify the amendment to the U.S. Constitution lowering the voting age to 18.

Temperance leader John Ireland established the first total abstinence society in Minnesota.

Minnesota's longest school bus route is along the 120 miles of the Gunflint Trail.

From where it starts in Lake Itasca to the Gulf of Mexico, the Mississippi River stretches over 2500 miles.

In 1919, a Minneapolis factory produced the nation's first armored

Pizza's Been Around For a Long Time

The Ancient Greeks had a their Italian American their rations, were conflat bread called plakous which was flavored with toppings like herbs, onion and garlic.

Pizza is now a type of bread and tomato dish, often served with cheese. However, until the late nineteenth or early twentieth century, the dish was sweet, not savory, and earlier versions which were savory more resembled the flat breads now known as focaccia.

Pizza first made its appearance in the United States with the arrival of Italian immigrants in the late 19th century.

In the late 19th century, pizza was introduced by peddlers who walked up and down the streets with a metal washtub of pizzas on their heads, selling grants and their descentheir pizzas at two cents a dants. The international began offering pizzas to occupying Italy, weary of

communities.

The first printed reference

to "pizza" served in the US is a 1904 article in the Boston Journal. Giovanni and Gennaro Bruno came to America from Naples, Italy in 1903 to introduce Neapoli-tan Pizza.Vincent (Jimmy) Bruno (Giovanni's son) went on to open the first Pizzeria in The Loop in Chicago.

The price for a pizza was five cents, but since many people could not afford the cost of a whole pie, they would instead say how much they could pay and they were given a slice corresponding to the amount offered.

Before the 1940s, pizza consumption was limited mostly to Italian immistantly on the lookout for good food. They discovered the pizzeria and local bakers were hard-pressed to satisfy the demand from the soldiers. The American troops involved in the Italian campaign took their appreciation for the dish back home, touted by "veterans ranging from the lowliest private to Dwight D. Eisenhower".

Chain restaurants sprang up with pizza's rising popularity. Leading early pizza chains Shakey's Pizza, founded in 1954. Pizza Hut, founded in 1958.

You don't have to go to New York or Chicago to get a great pizza.

Simply stop in at Dockside Lounge for the best in pizza and beverages. If you prefer, call slice. It was not long until breakthrough came after Dockside at 218-562small cafes and groceries World War II. Allied troops 7170 for pizza delivery to

Townhomes at Breezy



Don't miss out on visiting the new Whitebirch Village townhomes being built at Breezy Point. The homes are open for your inspection, just west of Antlers Restaurant, overlooking the beautiful Whitebirch Golf Course. Call Mike Fish at 218-232-7079 or Jim Flech at 218-252-1373 for your personalized tour.

Capt. Billy Made the News

Some eighty Brainerd people enjoyed the hospitality of Breezy Point Lodge, through the courtesy of its owner, Capt. Wm. H. Fawcett, on Saturday evening, being guests at a special dinner and dance opening the official summer season.

-Brainerd Dispatch, May 23, 1923 Captain and Mrs. W. H. Fawcett of Breezy Point Lodge are enjoying a brief visit at Havana, Cuba. In their tours about America they never fail to have some reference made to the Brainerd lakes region. -Brainerd Dispatch, Feb 22, 1927

Why Golf Will Always be the Ultimate Business Success Tool!

Business golf is not just surviving; it's thriving! For the sake of your business or career, here are 10 reasons you'd better get in on the action!

Face Time

There is simply no other sport with the amount of quiet time between shots that allows for wide-ranging conversations and mutual interests to be discovered.

Serene Surroundings

You can plan a client meeting in an office surrounded by water, nature and sand instead of four white walls. This instantly creates a more relaxed and friendly environment in which to do business without the normal distractions

Business Intelligence

You can learn more about a person in four hours golfing than in a lifetime of meetings. Not just by what they say but by how they handle themselves on the course.

Friendships Forged

An interest in golf alone can be enough to move your friendships several notches up the corporate

Open Doors on the Road

When you travel, golf is a great way to open doors by letting prospects or business contacts know you are in the area and up for a game.

Perfect Gifting

When someone is a golfer it's easy to give a small gift golf book or logoed hat or towel from Breezy Point Resort can inexpensively en-hance a relationship.

Game for Life

It's a sport that suits all ages, backgrounds and abilities. Thanks to the handicap system, people of widely different abilities can play together and still compete.

Advantage Women

If you are a businesswoman, playing golf is an even greater advantage. Adrienne Wax, co-author of Even Par: How Golf helps Women Gain the Upper Hand In Business, says. "Outside the office. you can communicate differently with your higherlevel peers and get to

that makes an impact. A know one another in a way that the office can't provide. Being able to talk golf in the office gives you a chance to bond with the bigwigs. If you can talk about golf, suddenly you have reasons to talk with the CEO."

Networking

One of the great things about golf is you can just show up at a club and get a game. Depending on your business, you could be looking at three prospects each and every time you tee it up!

The 19th Hole

After your round, the 19th holes provides the perfect setting to take your newly enhanced relationship to the next level or, indeed, ask for the order!

Timeshare Caution

Timeshare owners continue to be called with amazing offers to sell their timeshares. In all cases, the owner is being told that they must pay upfront fees as high as \$5000 for services, closing costs or other fees. Once the money is received these companies often

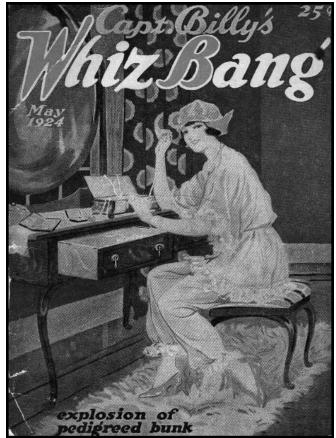
The following are tips to protect yourself:

- If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is!

- Be wary of up-front fees. - Don't agree to anything before researching the company.

Demand everything in writing.

If you have questions regarding companies that have solicited your timeshare ownership, you are urged to contact the Resort at 218-562-4204.



Breezy Point Resort is always on the lookout for copies of Captain Billy's Whiz Bang magazine and any other pictures, stories, postcards and memorabilia from the Resort's past. Take a stroll in Dockside Lounge and see the enlarged covers and cartoons from the original 8 Captain Billy's Whiz Bang magazines. If you have a copy or two that we could add to our library, please contact 9/06 Charlie's Scramble (3-person, us at 218 562-4204

Antlers is 20!



years restaurant called Antlers opened its doors and immediately set the standard for fine dining in the Brainerd Lakes Area.

This unique post and beam building, designed by architect J.D. MacRae, A.I.A. of JKM Designs, was constructed with white pine from Canada. Complimenting the rustic interior are two-300 pound, six foot tall, antler chandeliers created by Jim Feil, a local craftsman using shed mule deer antlers from Wyoming.

Antlers' tradition of excellence continues today. Menus include seafood, premium Sterling Silver Steaks and Prime Rib.

Weather permitting, the dining experience on Antlers patio, overlooking Antlers Garden and Whitebirch Golf Course, is second-to-none. call 218-562-7162 for information.

We live in a society in which spurious realities are manufactured by the media, by governments, by big corporations, by religious groups, political groups. I ask, in my writing, 'What is real?' Because unceasingly we are bombarded with pseudo realities manufactured by very sophisticated people using very sophisticated electronic mechanisms. -Philip K. Dirk

How Big Is Your Grocery Cart?

In 2015, Breezy Point Resort served a lot of food. To put that into perspective, the following are the quantities used to support the Resort's 4 restaurants and Conference Center.

> French Fries 18,700 pounds Eggs 120,000 Slices of Bacon 180,000 Gallons of Coffee 11,500 Danish 36,000 18,000 Cookies 8000 pounds Prime Rib Lobster Tails 3,800 5,400 Pork Ribs Chicken Wings 67,000

2016 Resort Golf Tournaments

The following is the 2016 Breezy Point Resort golf tournament schedule. To enter or for more information, call

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218 562-7594 or 800 432-3777.
Tournament
4/30 Bob Mohr/Commander
Scramble
5/14 The Tradition Tournament
5/23 MGA Sr. Tour
6/07 Charlie's Scramble (3-person,
flighted)
6/29 PGA Junior Event
6/29 PGA Beginners/Transition Event
7/05 Charlie's Scramble (3-person,
flighted)
8/02 Charlie's Scramble (3-person,
flighted)
8/13 Swanson's Melanoma Cancer

Scramble (4-person)

flighted)

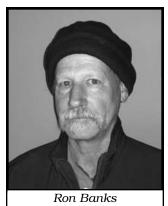
Course Traditional

Traditional Deacon's Whitebirch Whitebirch Traditional Whitebirch Whitebirch

Traditional

Whitebirch

Employee Spotlight



After his 1987 move from Iowa to the Lakes Area, something was strange for Ron Banks. It took awhile but he finally figured it out. He could no longer see the horizon because the trees and hills were in the way!

Ron took advantage of the many opportunities here including taking journalism classes at Central Lakes College, for which he was a reporter for the school paper, as well as jobs in construction, telemarketing for non-profits, landscaping, janitorial and sales.

In 2009, he was hired by Breezy Point Resort as a linen runner. It's a big job that basically ensures that the 4 Resort restaurants and Conference

Center are adequately supplied with freshly laundered tablecloths, table skirts, napkins, kitchen towels and chef/cook uniforms. He removes the guest room linens for laundering, responds to guest's requests for additional towels, etc, and delivers to the guest rooms food ordered from the restaurants.

He was trained by Chem, a college student from Turkey. Out of respect for his elders, Chem wouldn't let Ron carry the heavy bags of linens until Ron explained he had to do it to learn the job.

Ron is interested in history and is a published writer, having contributed articles to Civil War Times Illustrated magazine. He also participates in area colonial America reenactments such as Canoe Days at Crow Wing State

Ron's favorite part of his job is the interaction with people, both guests and employees. Second on his favorite list is the Resort's location on Pelican Lake. His enthusiasm for the area is contagious.

Pizza at its Best!

If you love pizza, you're at the right place! Whether it's eat-in, carry-out or delivery to your room, Dockside's award winning pizza will satisfy the most discriminating diner.

Stop in or call 218-562-7170 for pizza at its best.

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Breezy Point Resort features 250 units in a wide array of sizes and prices to suit your every need and budget. From spacious hotel-style accommodations to deluxe condominiums complete with fireplace, Jacuzzi and full kitchen, it's easy to see why Breezy Point Resort is the preferred resort destination.

Lodging Packages

Families Are Great Together

Become the hero of your family by choosing Breezy Point Resort for your next Minnesota family reunion. Each year families return to savor the Breezy Point Resort reunion experience. Generations share in the memories. We can tailor for you the perfect reunion, from modest to extravagant.

Your choices include:

- rooms to our Unique Retreats with 4 to 11 bedrooms.
- •Custom meal plans.
- •Recreation packages including golf, tennis, boating and of course, the Breezy Belle.
- •Scenic picnic & barbecue areas.
- •Spacious family gathering facilities.
- •Professional reunion planner.

Perfect Reunions - Unique Retreats

Breezy Point's Unique Retreats offer lodging facilities with a special environment. We can accommodate the entire extended family in one home or, if you prefer, provide individual cabins or hotel rooms. Adjoining rooms, multiple room condos and studio apartments are also options.

Whether you're planning for a business group, golf getaway, wedding party, family reunion or just a gathering of friends, there is a Unique Retreat to satisfy your every need!

Midweek Family Holiday – 2016

Four days of fun! Enjoy three nights lodging, \$200 resort credit for use at Dockside Lounge, Recreation Center, Antlers and Marina II restaurants, and for discounted golf at any Breezy golf course. Many lodging styles are available.

Serenity Spa

Package includes 2 nights lodging in the Breezy Inn, \$100 spa services at the new Serenity Spa, breakfast each morning in the Marina II Restaurant and dinner one night, choice of the menu, at Antlers Restaurant.

Capture the Romance

•Wide variety of accommodations and prices from hotel style ALL INCLUSIVE includes lodging for 2 nights in a Breezy Inn Suite, Breakfast in the Marina II Restaurant, Lunch at Dockside Restaurant or on the Dockside deck, Dinner at Antlers Restaurant with wine and cocktails, Dockside appetizers, beverages at Dockside Lounge and the Marina II Restaurant including beer, house wine and mixed drinks and cocktails including most call and premium brands.

Midweek Lakeside Vacation

5 consecutive nights lodging in a 2 bedroom Breezy Center Apartment. Includes a \$400 resort credit for food and beverages at any or all five resort restaurants including the Marina II, Dockside, Antlers, Palmer's Grille and the Coffee House. Green fees at any of the Breezy Point Golf Courses, clothing and gifts at the golf pro shops and resort gift shop.

Halloween Weekend Package 2016

Join us for Halloween weekend Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, October 28th, 29th and 30th for 3 days and 2 nights with lodging, breakfast buffet each morning, a cocktail reception each evening with tap beer, mixed drinks, wine and non-alcoholic beverages from 5 pm to 7 pm at the Dockside Lounge. Enjoy special entertainment Friday and Saturday evenings in the Dockside Lounge with costume judging, prizes and special Halloween drinks.

All Inclusive Social Package

Your package includes: Lodging in the Breezy Inn and Suites, breakfast each morning in the Marina II, lunch each day at the Dockside Lounge, dinner each evening at the Marina II or Dockside Lounge and alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages at Dockside or the Marina II.

2016 MEA Weekend – October 20-23

4 Days & 3 Nights includes lodging, welcome pizza buffet at Dockside Lounge Thursday evening from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Breakfast in the Marina II Restaurant each morning and reception with beer, wine and mixed drinks each evening at

Honeymoon "Breezy Point Style"

Your Three Night/Four Day Honeymoon Package Includes:

- Lodging in a Deluxe Breezy Inn Suite Gourmet dinner each evening in the
- Marina II or Antlers restaurant
- Daily buffet breakfast in the Marina II A bottle of champagne and two
- keepsake Resort champagne glasses

Also included are the use of the indoor pool, Resort beaches and tennis courts and two cocktails of your choice, per person at Dockside Lounge.

Girls Discover How To Have Fun!

The Girlfriend Getaway package includes 2 nights lodging, Buffet Breakfast each morning in the Mania ll restaurant, 2 free drinks at the Dockside lounge, discounts at Breezy Gift Shop, Golf Pro Shops and discounted Green Fees at the Traditional, Whitebirch and Deacons Lodge Golf courses.

Incomparable Weddings

The Best in Destination Weddings

Would you like to have a resort destination wedding but don't want to go all the way to Jamaica? We have everything you need for your family and friends to get away from it all and celebrate your new life in a great resort setting. Plus, it's only a short distance away from the hassle of big city traffic and distractions. Breezy Point Resort has the best in venues and packages for your destination wedding.

For your dinner and dance we offer three spectacular ballrooms from which to choose. We have the experienced reception coordinators who are ready to work with you to customize your special day. If you have something particular in mind, don't hesitate to ask. Call us at 800-432-3777, press 2!

Legendary Golf

Are you looking for an exciting place to spend your Minnesota Golf Vacation? Find the best Brainerd Golf Courses at Breezy Point Resort. We offer three 18-hole golf courses that challenge players of every ability.

Deacon's Lodge was designed by Arnold Palmer, is one of his top 3 favorite courses, and was named after his father "Deacon". This par 72 championship course features 18 holes and impeccably maintained bentgrass greens, tees and fairways that smoothly flow across 500 acres of gorgeous forest, wetlands and lakes.

Whitebirch is a championship golf course with over 6600 yards of lush fairways, multiple tee boxes, and a healthy assortment of sand and water.

The Traditional, a lakes area favorite and known as "the great equalizer," has been challenging golfers since 1924 with its demanding fairways and undulating greens.

Golf Packages

All Inclusive Golf Vacation

Package Includes: Lodging in the Breezy Inn, unlimited golf with cart on the Whitebirch and Traditional Golf Courses, all meals in the Marina II, beverages in the Marina II, Dockside Lounge, and on the course from the beverage cart. Your alcoholic beverages include house wine by the glass, beer, highballs and cocktails, including most call and premium brands. All inclusive guests will be identified by a wristband provided at check in. Your all inclusive package food and beverage privileges will be valid at 5 PM the day your check in, until noon of the day you check out. You are welcome to play golf starting a noon the day of arrival through your day of departure.

Diamond Golf Package

Your Package includes 3-4 days of unlimited golf with power cart on Breezy's Whitebirch and Breezy's Traditional Golf Course. Included is lodging for 2 or 3 nights, and choice of menu dinners at the Marina II Restaurant or Antlers Restaurant and breakfast/brunch each day.

Deacon's Lodge Palmer Package

Includes two nights Lodging, 3 - 18 hole rounds of Golf at Deacons Lodge. Free range balls. Buffet Breakfast each morning and choice of the menu Dinner one evening at the Marina II, Antlers or Palmer's Grille. Menus include Cold Water Lobster Tail, Prime Rib, Dry Aged Steaks and combos like Steak and Lobster. Palmer's Grille offers steaks, walleye and gourmet burgers and sandwiches.

Deacon's Bed, Breakfast & Golf

Includes one night lodging in the Breezy Inn & Suites, Buffet Breakfast, 2 18-hole rounds of Golf at Deacons, Free Range Balls, Free Shuttle to all Resort amenities including Golf courses, Restaurants, Lounges and Boat Marina.

Mini-Holiday Packages

Your golf Package includes: Two nights lodging, unlimited golf on the Whitebirch and Traditional Courses(cart additional), choice of a New York Strip or Walleye dinner on the night of arrival in the Marina II Restaurant and breakfast buffets each morning. 3 Day 2 Night Package

Hump Day Golf Package

Package includes: Two nights lodging in the Breezy Inn &Suites (Check in on Wednesday), two breakfasts in the Marina II Restaurant, two 18-hole rounds at the Whitebirch Golf Course and unlimited golf all with shared cart at the Traditional Course.

Triple Play Package!

18 holes with cart at the Traditional, Whitebirch, and Deacons Lodge. 2 nights lodging in the Breezy Inn or Breezy Center, Breakfast each morning and a New York Strip Sirloin or

Traditional Golf Package

Package includes: 3 days of unlimited golf with cart on Breezy's original golf course. Two nights, lodging in the Inn and Suites, and a buffet breakfast each morning in the Marina II Restaurant.

Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated; it satisfies the soul and frustrates the intellect. It is at the same time rewarding and maddening and it is without a doubt the greatest game mankind has ever invented. -Arnold Palmer

Dockside Lounge Rocks!!

2016 Live Entertainment

TAMI & THE BACHELOR April 29 - June 25, Aug 29 - Oct 1

PASSION

June 27 - July 30

DOUG ALLEN NASH

August 1-27



Doug Allen Presents, "TWO AMERICAN ICONS -ONE MAIN EVENT"

The NAME says it all! This production is a tribute to the "Man In Black" & Neil Diamond! YES! (Two Shows - One Main Event) A multi media theatrical show combined with a larger-than-life projected big screen images, state of the art intelligent lighting, great vocals and A-list musicians captures the authentic sound of Johnny Cash & Neil Diamond. Sundays - July 31, August 7, 14, 21, 28



"MEMORIES OF ELVIS SHOW"

Chris Olson will be back this summer at the **Dockside Lounge** where he has entertained Breezy Point Resort audiences to rave reviews for the past 20 summer seasons. His Saturday night "Memories of Elvis Show" outdoor performances have been the headliner events of the resort's summer music lineup, attracting hundreds of people of all ages to the Resort's docks and decks along Pelican Lake.

Performances begin between 8 and 9PM. Saturday, May 28 Saturdays, June 25-September 3



Kirk Bakken Presents: "TRIBUTE TO SINATRA"

Sundays at 7PM on the decks at Dockside Lounge Sundays - June 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, & Sept. 4,



PASSION

These four personable entertainers provide the most fun and exciting "live" performances you can experience. Performing in Dockside Lounge.

June 27 - July 30



TAMI AND THE BACHELOR

When you see Tami and Phil they will entertain you with songs from: Amy Winehouse, Fleetwood Mac, George Gershwin, Jethro Tull, Patsy Cline, Greenday, Led Zeppelin, Linda Ronstadt, Lady Gaga, Katy Perry and lots more!

April 29 - June 25 & Aug 29 - Oct 1

Timeshare Adds to Economy

A recent study found that, in 2013, the U.S. timeshare industry contributed an estimated \$68.7 billion in consumer and business spending to the national econ-

The study also shows that the timeshare industry offers some 473,000 full- and part-time jobs with \$23.6 billion in salaries and wages.

One of the key aspects of the study is that the economic impact goes beyond resort operations jobs, including the economic impact of sales and marketing offices, corporate operations, the construction of new resorts and the renovation of existing resorts.

Expenditures of vacationers are also highly important. In 2013, spending by owners and guests was estimated at \$10 billion: \$2.1 billion was spent at timeshare resorts, while \$7.9 billion was spent in the communities where the timeshare resorts are located.

The Water's Calling



Wakesetter 20 MXZ



Breezy Point Resort's Boat Marina offers the finest in rental motorized and nonmotorized watercraft.

Included in the 2016 lineup are three 2016 Avalon Catalina luxury pontoon boats. In addition to the Avalons, nine Premier pontoons round out the fleet.

For those wanting a water-ski, wakeboard or tubing experience, the Boat Marina can make it

happen. For the 2016 season they have added a Malibu Wakesetter 20VTX ski boat that is available with an experienced driver. It is "just what the doctor ordered" for those who want excitement Pelican Lake.

For the fishemen, and fisherwomen, the Lund 16.5' fishing boats are perfect. Now you're out there in style.

All motorized boats are

equipped with environmentally friendly fourstroke motors.

Of course, the Boat Marina always has plenty of non-motorized craft to get vou on the water. Try the canoes, standup paddle boards, paddle boats and ocean kayaks for a relaxing time on the water.

Call 218 562-7164 for information and reservations.

RCI FAQs

Q. Can my RCI Points be used for hotel/flights?

A. The RCI Points partner program allows RCI Points members to exchange a portion of their points for discounts on travel products and services, such as hotel stays, airfare, rental any time to purchase a cars, and more.

Q. Do I actually own a week or do I have points? **A.** Yes, you own a specific unit and week and RCI assigns the points allotments for each unit.

Q. Can I request additional furniture in my unit?

A. No, the owners association does not purchase extra furnishings. However, you can request extra tables, chairs, cribs and high chairs.

Q. Do I have to belong to RCI to use my week at Breezy Point Resort?

A. No, you own your week/unit. Membership in RCI is NOT required

Q. If I do not have a membership with RCI, can I purchase one?

A. You may contact RCI at membership as long as you are an owner in good standing at an RCI Resort.

Q. What is a fixed week **A.** Gold Crown status is ownership? What is points ownership?

A. Whitebirch is a fixed week resort. RCI Points is a use program through RCI that allows you to split your week when you travel.

Q. Do I need to make a reservation to use my week at Breezv Point Resort?

A. If you are in RCI Points, you must make a home week reservation in order

to use your week/unit at the resort. If you are not an RCI Points member you may use your week/unit without a reservation providing you have not banked your time with RCI through other RCI programs.

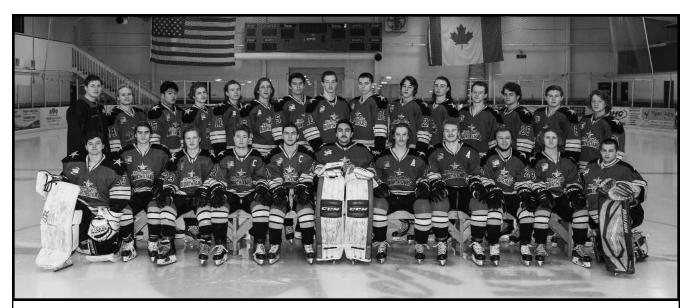
Q. How does a resort obtain a Gold Crown designation with RCI?

achieved by high scores on the comment cards that are sent to RCI exchanges.

Q. As a timeshare owner what resort discounts do I receive?

A. Discounts are printed on the reverse side of your photo ID card. If you need a new card please call the timeshare sales office at 800-247-1350 to make an appointment for a new

2015/2016 Breezy Point North Stars Had a Great Season



Front Row: Christian Sanzottera, Nick Reed, Nik Boyer, C. Ryan Mezera, C. Tyler Larwood, Westly Paupore, A. Jake Tomkowiak, A. Sean Viti, Torin Foundos, Reise Kieffer, Dylan Barnes. Back Row: Head Coach Josh Dallmann, CJ Lenzmeier, Seyia Hayata, Austin Langworthy, Adam Lund, Billy Nichol. Cyril Nagurski, Nick Blanchette, Andrew Heckaman, Gianna Dini, Jarett Green, Alec Hooper, Josh Laven, Patrik Johansson, Kyle Klatt.

The Breezy Point North Stars are a USA Hockeysanctioned Tier III Junior ice hockey team playing in the North American 3 Hockey League (NA3HL).

The League includes 34 teams from Alabama, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

The goals of junior hockey are to promote, develop and administer the domestic USA Hockey program for junior-aged teams, and players, leagues.

The program is available to high school students and graduates who seek a greater or different challenge than that which might be available thru their prep school team, high school varsity or club team or area 18 & under

this development program is to prepare the athletes for career advancement, either in a collegiate program or a professional opportunity. The league regulations purposefully protect the amateur status of all participants.

This year's North Star team roster includes players from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Florida, California, North Dakota, Illinois, Missouri, New York, Arizona, Japan and Sweden.

Established in 2012, the Breezy Point North Stars finished their inaugural season with a 4-43 record. In the 2015/16 season the North Stars finished their regular season with a 22-17-8 record, thus securing third place in the West Division and gaining their first playoff berth against the Twin City Steel. Sanctioned by USA Hockey, the winner of the NA3HL playoffs advance to play for the Tier III The principal purpose of National Championship.

The Breezy Point North Star venture is unique in the League. While most teams in the NA3HL have billet families (host family where a player lives during the season), at Breezy Point the players live in a dorm style atmosphere and each team member has a mentor family from the area. This unique feature nurtures team bonding, helps promote living on their own with the mentor family program and allows the North Stars to have a "family" setting away from home.

The North Stars are also active in the community as volunteers at the area elementary schools to assist students in reading and math. They have been bell ringers for the Salvation Army, helped decorate the "City of Lights" in Nisswa, hung lights in Pequot Lakes for the holiday season, collected food items for the local food shelf, hosted "Teddy Bear Toss", collected items for Christmas for Kids, hosted a Haunted Dorm event, helped with the Learn to Skate program, hosted events to support cancer awareness and supported our armed

The North Stars program is supported by Whitebirch, Inc. thru the hands-on involvement by Bob Spizzo, CEO, Joyce Bzoskie, president, and David Spizzo, vice presi-

Bob Spizzo, Whitebirch Inc. CEO stated, "I am truly excited about this venture. It is a great addition to the hockey scene in the Brainerd Lakes

The Breezy Point North Stars not only generate new jobs and entertainment in our area but, more importantly, have created an environment in which these young players can sharpen their hockey skills while preparing themselves for leadership roles in the future."

Local Skater Wins

Jessica Robeck is 9 years old, has been skating at the Breezy Ice Arena for over 6 years and has been a competitive figure skater for 5 years.

With the support of the Breezy Point figure skating program, she was able to achieve a dream of being in the state figure skating championships. She won her Pre-Preliminary level. There were 36 competitors from across the state ranging in age from 9 to 13.



Breezy Point Resort Gift Card!

The easy-to-use Gift Card can be used for dining, lodging, golf and your favorite selections at the Gift Shop and Pro Shops.



Available in any denomination. To order, or for more information, call 800 432-3777



Breezy Point to Host 2016 Governor's Deer Hunting Opener

Gov. Mark Dayton has Brainerd Lakes Chamber each year. nor's Deer Hunting Opener will be Nov. 3-6, 2016, in Breezy Point and Pequot Lakes.

The event will be headquartered at Breezy Point Resort and coordinated by the Minnesota Deer Hunters Association (MDHA) in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Explore Minnesota and the local

announced that the 14th of Commerce. It showcasannual Minnesota Gover- es Minnesota's tradition of Bob Spizzo, Whitebirch, many families and part of deer hunting and its positive economic impact.

> The Governor's Deer Hunting Opener focuses on educating youth and families about hunting, promoting safe hunting practices and celebrating the long-held tradition of hunting in Minnesota.

The event began in 2003 and is held at a different location around the state

Inc. CEO, said, "We are pleased that Breezy Point Resort has been selected to host the Minnesota Governor's Deer Hunting Opener festivities. We've been honored to host 4 of the Governor's Fishing Openers and look forward to working with all of the cooperating organizations to produce a successful event."

Minnesota has a rich and Wildlife Service.

hunting heritage. It's a favorite fall activity in the culture of many communities.

The economic contribution of all hunting-related expenditures in Minnesota totals \$725 million, and deer hunters alonespend a total of nearly \$260 million each year on hunting trip and equipment expenses, according to a 2011 report published by the U.S. Fish