

# MGCSA Championship Set August 15 At Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

By **JOE WOLLNER**  
*Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge*

The 2011 MGCSA Championship will take place August 15 on the the Lakes Course at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge

Joe Wollner, in his 12th year at Ruttger's, will be the host Superintendent.

The Lakes course opened its original nine holes in 1980. A second nine was added in 1991. Joel Goldstrand designed the course. The Lakes course has a northwoods feel. The holes are cut out of mixed stand of forest. Water comes into play on 10 holes. The Lakes course measures 6,800 yards. Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge is the oldest family-owned resort in Minnesota. The Alec 9, the original nine holes, opened in 1921.

### Major Challenges

Major challenges: Like all superintendents in these tough economical times, giving our guests the quality product that they expect.




*Joe Wollner, already looking like a Superintendent at age three.*

### Superintendent Joe Wollner


I have been married to my wonderful Tracy for seven years and we were blessed



with our daughter Tara Jo six years ago. Having a child this late in life will either keep me young or send me to an early grave. I come from a family of seven of which two of my brothers are golf course superintendents, one in Iowa and the other in Wisconsin.

**I love to golf when given the opportunity** and prefer to play someone else's course since a I have a tendency to critique mine when I should be having fun. My passion other than golf is working with my yellow lab and pheasant hunting either in Iowa or South Dakota. Prior to coming to Ruttger's I was the superintendent at: Pine River CC in Pine River, MN, Foxboro Golf Club in Oregon, WI, Emmetsburg CC in Emmetsburg, IA and Assistant Superintendent at Terrace View Golf in Mankato, MN.



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