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**MAJOR POOL RENOVATION AT EAGLE RIDGE
MARKS CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT**

GALENA, Ill. – April 24, 2007 –Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa has announced the completion of a new \$650,000 aquatics center, including a renovated indoor/outdoor pool. The improved center features a new sauna and steam room, separate men’s and women’s locker rooms with showers, and new lighting. With wall-to-wall windows, the spacious center offers panoramic views of the surrounding hills. Limestone walls and multiple types of porcelain tile surround the pool deck surface.

The aquatics center is the latest major improvement at Eagle Ridge. The 6,800-acre resort has completed upgrades to Stonedrift Spa and the Eagle Ballroom over the past two years. The tennis courts have also been resurfaced. “By expediting the renovation, we were able to complete the project with minimal inconvenience to our guests,” said Ikhlas Ahmed, general manager at Eagle Ridge.

To begin the transformation, the 21-year-old pool had to be completely taken apart, leaving only bare walls and drywall. The original surface and lining of the pool had to be removed as well.

The retractable roof panels, however, did not change. This unique feature allows the pool to be both an indoor and outdoor facility. During construction, the roof panels were cleaned and

a new heating, cooling, and humidity control system was installed to further the comfort of the guests using the pool. Newly purchased furniture includes lounge chairs, side tables, umbrellas, and dining tables.

The renovation was designed by architect Martin H. Johnson, Straka Johnson Architects, Dubuque, Iowa. “We wanted to emphasize the rustic country atmosphere while including state-of-the-art technology to modernize the amenities of the pool,” said Johnson.

Eagle Ridge Resort & Spa, the Midwest’s premiere destination golf resort, offers a great golf experience with 63 holes on four acclaimed courses. Located on 6,800 acres amid the rolling scenery of northwestern Illinois, the full-spectrum resort complex features boating and fishing on the 220-acre Lake Galena, tennis, biking, horseback trails, a state-of-the-art fitness center and hot air balloon rides, along with three first-class restaurants and a general store. Located near Galena, Illinois, the resort is three hours west of Chicago.

For more information about Eagle Ridge Resort and Spa, call 800-892-2269 or visit online at www.eagleridge.com.

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