

News from the Roost

Nestor Falls, Ontario

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BOOKING DISCOUNTS FOR 2009

We are excited to kick off the 2009 season at Shady Roost Lodge; and as we did last year, we are offering an early booking discount. In short, this means that if we receive a groups deposit in our office by December 15th, 2008, that group will pay the 2008 rates for their 2009 trip.

To minimize the burden of cost on our guests in regards to the increases in operational expenses, we have again this year only pushed on a very small amount of this cost onto our guests. The rates for the 2009 season can be found on page 2.

As always, our returning guests have until January 16th, 2009, to reserve their corresponding trip dates from 2008. After that date, any time slot that is not secured with a deposit will be open to any and all guests.

Deposits for 2009 are \$300 per guest. The schedule for refunds of deposits is below.

Notice Prior to Reservation Date	Refund to the Customer	Retained by Shady Roost
5+ Months	\$300 per person	\$ 0 per person
4 Months	\$150 per person	\$150 per person
3 Months	\$100 per person	\$200 per person
2 Months	\$ 0 per person	\$300 per person

Please visit us at shadyroost.com or contact **KELLY** at 612-618-8553

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A REVIEW OF 2008

By: Grant Yeo, Resort Manager

The weather this year set a bit of a different scenario for the spring and fall fishing. Spring got started later than usual, resulting in the warm summer weather lasting much later into the fall. But, nonetheless, **we had a great fishing season at Shady Roost!**

The ice went out later than usual this past spring, on April 29th. With the Walleye opener set for May 17th, the still cool water kept the fish deep for the first few weeks; which made the Walleye easy to target, along with some good Crappie fishing. The Northern Pike fishing was slower than normal as the fish were slow moving into the shallow bays, mostly caused by the cool water. However, after the first week of June, fishing was back up to standard as the Walleyes had moved onto the rock reefs and the Northern Pike were into the shallow bays.

June, July and August provided spectacular reef fishing resulting in the best size and numbers caught that I have seen for many years. There were unbelievable numbers of trophy Walleye released this season of which the pictures in our Party Room will live on to tell the stories. The Northern in Obabikon Lake became active the first week of June, but Northern in Whitefish Bay took another week or so to get going because the deeper, clear water warms slower.

The late start of spring temperatures resulted in a very warm fall; one of the warmest on record. The fall colors were late to show up, but beautiful as usual. The Small Mouth Bass fishing on Crow Lake was phenomenal as expected in the fall, with live leeches being the hot bait. The last two weeks of the Lake Trout season, which ends in September, was as good as it gets on Crow. With the excellent trout fishing, the guides prepared one of their special Trout boils with onions and garlic butter for a few shore lunches this fall.

This year we were able to fish the first week of October. We had great weather, chunky fall Walleyes and many 'slab' Lake of the Woods Crappies you always hear about.

Until next season,

Grant



PASSPORT UPDATE

The following information was gathered from the US State Departments website. The requirements below are the latest updates to the land and sea portion of the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI). Visit the following link to learn more about international travel;

http://travel.state.gov/travel/cbpmc/cbpmc_2223.html

As of June 1, 2009, the U.S. government will implement the full requirements of the land and sea phase of WHTI. The rules require all U.S. citizens entering the United States at sea or land ports of entry to have a passport, passport card, or WHTI-compliant document.

The passport card is a new addition to the United States border requirements and may be used for ground travel into Canada and Mexico and also for sea travel to the Caribbean and Bermuda. The passport card is a cheaper alternative to a book passport, which runs \$100, but the card may not be used for air travel. The cost for the card is \$20 for a renewal if you have owned a passport previously. If you have never applied for a passport, the cost is \$45 for the card. The card is good for 10 years from application date. Rates for children, under the age of 16, are cheaper for both the book passports and the passport card. For the book, children under 16 will pay \$85 and for the card it will be \$35.

According to the U.S. State Department website, the current (as of November 17, 2008) turnaround time on passport applications is three weeks from the date of application. For an additional charge there is an expedited service that processes and returns the passport within 2 weeks. The status of passport applications may be tracked online.

Here are a couple of important websites to look into for more information:

www.canadawelcomesyou.net

www.travel.state.gov/passport/



2009 Rates

ALL-INCLUSIVE PACKAGES

PRICING INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

<i>Accommodations</i>	<i>Professional Guides</i>
<i>Boats & Gas</i>	<i>Shore Lunch</i>
<i>Motors</i>	<i>All Meals</i>
<i>Rods & Reels</i>	<i>Soda & Water</i>
<i>Bait</i>	<i>Beer</i>

GOLD CABINS ALSO INCLUDE:

<i>Queen Size Beds</i>	<i>Poker Table</i>
<i>Phone & Wireless Internet</i>	<i>42in. Plasma TV</i>
	<i>Private Restrooms</i>



PACKAGE PRICING PER PERSON*

Full Fishing Days	2	3	4	5
Silver Cabins (1, 3-5)*	\$740	\$1030	\$1375	\$1720
Gold Cabins (2, 6, 7)*	\$860	\$1220	\$1620	\$2030
Deposit Per Person	\$300	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300

**The price above does not include applicable sales tax, GST, your fishing license, discounts or gratuities.

ADDITIONAL BOAT COSTS

We are equipped to carry three guests per boat/guide. If you request to have less in a boat or additional boats, the cost is **\$350** per additional boat per day.

SEASONAL DISCOUNTS

Shady Roost Lodge offers a 20% discount for trips taken in May of 2009. We also offer additional seasonal rates. Please call or email for additional details!

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EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT:

KELLY NICHOLS

Kelly celebrated her three year anniversary with Shady Roost this August. She started as the accountant and did some marketing also. Since Carol's retirement, Kelly has worked diligently and taken over the bookings for Shady Roost and has proven she is a real asset.



Kelly studied accounting and history at the University of Wisconsin at River Falls. Besides her number crunching passion for accounting, her interests lie in ancient history and archaeology.

Growing up in western Wisconsin, Kelly's love for the outdoors began at a young age. She grew up hiking and camping all over and hopes to get back into it as her children grow up. She also grew up fishing, mainly for pan fish in local lakes and rivers. She now loves going up to Shady Roost every summer to pursue her new favorite fish: The Northern Pike.

Not only is Kelly kept busy at work, but her three young children at home keep her busy outside the office. Kelly has been married seven years to her husband, Andy. Their three kids who keep them very busy are: Ryan who is five; Reese who is two; and their youngest Brody, who is turning one in early December. Kelly devotes all of her time outside of work to her family. She has already started sharing her passion for the outdoors with her children. She loves taking them up to a cabin in northern Minnesota every summer and has the kids hooked on the tradition of 'going to the lake' every year. This past summer, her son Ryan won the 'biggest fish contest' at the lake with a 30-inch Northern caught off the dock!

Kelly loves going up to Shady Roost during the summers as well. She has taken her husband Andy, who was on a personal mission to catch every type of fish while at the camp. Needless to say, he accomplished his goal on the last day of the trip with his first Smallmouth Bass ever! They also had their oldest son Ryan on the trip who was keeping a close count of how many fish he was catching along with Mom and Dad's fish count as well.

Kelly's favorite part of working for Shady Roost is talking with all of the guests who visit the camp throughout the summer and hearing the fish stories from their trips. She loves the diverse crowd from all over the United States that goes to the camp, but she still says the best thing about Shady Roost is her trip up there every summer to fish with her family and spending time with the staff.

2008 PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS!

We would like to thank all of the participants that submitted photos for the raffle this year. The photos have been posted on Shady Roost's website. The three winners, chosen randomly, are as follows:

1st PRIZE: Photo submitted by Tim Brandriet of Fergus Falls, MN. Tim wins a free trip for 3 guests to Shady Roost for two full fishing days.



2nd PRIZE: Tomy Ogren of Woodbury, MN. Tomy's 28 inch Walleye earns him a fishing rod and reel combo along with a Shady Roost prize package.



3rd PRIZE: The Palmgren's of St. Paul, MN. Bob and Lynette have won a Shady Roost prize package.



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Be sure to check out the website periodically for updates and promotions!

GETTING TO SHADY ROOST

****ALL U.S. CITIZENS 16 AND OLDER MUST PRESENT A PASSPORT WHEN ENTERING THE UNITED STATES AS OF JUNE 1, 2009. Turn to page 2 for more information. ****

Our guests come from all over the United States, and beyond. The most common form of transportation is taking a flight into the Minneapolis (MSP) airport and a connecting flight to International Falls (INL). Because of the limited number of flights arriving at INL it is important that anyone flying there **book their flight right away**. We also recommend that our groups secure a rental car early. Coach bus travel (departing from Minneapolis) is also an option. Bus travel is a cheaper alternative and direct way to get to Shady Roost Lodge for your trip. Contact Kelly for information regarding travel options.



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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

IMPORTANT DATES

- Dec. 15:** Early deposit discount for 2009 ends.
- Jan. 16:** Deposits for the 2009 season must be received to hold your booking date
- May 15:** Shady Roost Opens for the season
- May 16:** Walleye Opener
- June 20:** Musky Opener

*Call Kelly to reserve a trip for
the 2009 Season!*

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