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The Abbey Resort Kicks Off Summer with Memorial Day Weekend Celebration on Lake Geneva

Four-day lineup features family-friendly activities, outdoor pool opening and launch of “Burnin’ Down the Docks” live music series

FONTANA, Wis. — The Abbey Resort, the only full-service resort on the shores of Lake Geneva, invites guests to kick off summer with its annual Memorial Day Weekend celebration, taking place Friday, May 22 through Monday, May 25, 2026. The four-day lineup blends family-friendly activities, lakeside entertainment and moments of remembrance, marking the unofficial start of the summer season.

The holiday weekend also signals the opening of the resort’s outdoor pools and the return of lakeside dining and entertainment at Waterfront, including the launch of Burnin’ Down the Docks: Smoke, Songs & Sunshine on the Harbor. Beginning Memorial Day Weekend and continuing every Sunday through Labor Day, guests can enjoy live music, cold drinks and a seasonal food menu on the Waterfront patio from 12 to 3 p.m.

This summer also marks the debut of the newly reimagined Waterfront restaurant, following a comprehensive refresh that enhances both the design and overall guest experience. The updated lakeside destination features an expanded indoor-outdoor layout, upgraded deck with fire tables, and a renewed focus on approachable, elevated dining—further cementing its role as a central hub for live music, social gatherings and harbor views.

Throughout the weekend, The Abbey Resort offers a full schedule of programming designed for guests of all ages. Daily activities include scavenger hunts, lawn games, mini-golf, poolside experiences and interactive family programming, alongside evening entertainment and lakeside traditions.

A centerpiece of the weekend is the resort’s “Honor-A-Veteran” luminary experience, where guests can decorate luminary bags in tribute to service members. Each evening, the luminaries are displayed during a fireside tribute, paired with patriotic bonfires and complimentary s’mores, creating a meaningful opportunity for reflection and community gathering.

Additional highlights throughout the weekend include outdoor courtyard games and activities, family-friendly entertainment such as movie nights and a magic and comedy show, and seasonal experiences like Flick ‘N Float in the indoor pool and a Stars & Stripes sundae bar.

Guests can also take advantage of the resort’s expansive amenities, including indoor and outdoor pools, arcade, spa offerings at the 35,000-square-foot Avani Spa and multiple dining options across the property.

Located just 90 minutes from Chicago, The Abbey Resort offers an easy and scenic escape for families and travelers looking to start the summer season with a blend of relaxation, entertainment and lakeside charm.

Memorial Day Weekend Highlights Include:

- Outdoor pool opening for the season on May 22
- Launch of Burnin’ Down the Docks live music series at Waterfront – Memorial Day through Labor Day
- Nightly patriotic bonfires with s’mores
- Daily Honor-A-Veteran luminary tribute experience
- Daily family activities, lawn games and scavenger hunts
- Mini-golf, movies and live entertainment
- Sunday lakeside live music series (12–3 p.m.)

Weekend schedules and activities are subject to change. Click [HERE](#) for the full schedule of events.

About The Abbey Resort & Avani Spa

Located on the shores of Geneva Lake in Fontana, Wisconsin, The Abbey Resort & Avani Spa is the area’s only full-service lakeside resort. The property features modern accommodations, destination dining including Waterfront and 240 West, the 35,000-square-foot Avani Spa, and a year-round calendar of events and family-friendly programming. With its combination of lakeside charm and full-service amenities, The Abbey Resort offers an ideal getaway for every season.

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