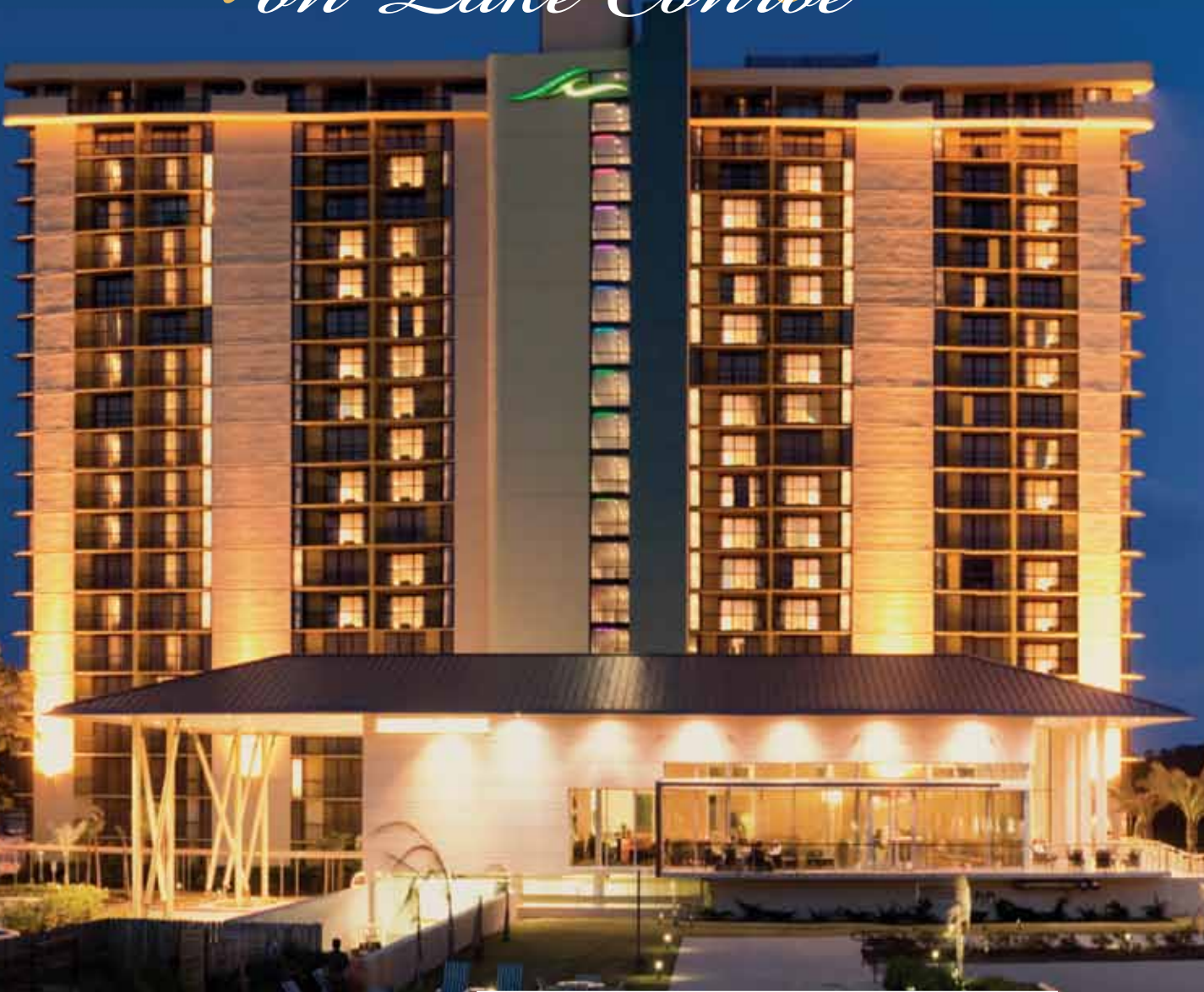


Waterfront Family Fun on Lake Conroe



Families can enjoy La Torretta's relaxed pace along the water



La Torretta is on Lake Conroe, a 22,000-acre lake with some of Houston's best fishing



Katy Families & Water Enthusiasts Beat the Heat at La Torretta Lake Resort

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Katy is known for many terrific things, but being a water recreation headquarters is not one of them. So where can Katy families go to indulge in water recreation and beat the Texas heat? *Katy Magazine* discovered a family-friendly resort a little over an hour away in Montgomery that's ideal for families looking for a vacation spot near water. Overlooking Lake Conroe sits beautiful La Torretta Lake Resort and Spa. Families can rent watercraft for jet skiing, fishing, waterskiing, or kayaking. Guided fishing tours can also be arranged. The resort also has a pristine 3.5-acre waterpark with five pools, waterslides, and splash zones that kids and parents can't wait to explore. There's an 18-hole golf course for dad and a full-service spa with all the luxuries for mom. The resort also has a miniature golf course, tennis courts, fitness center, fishing, and numerous family-friendly activities scheduled all summer long.

Camp for the Kids

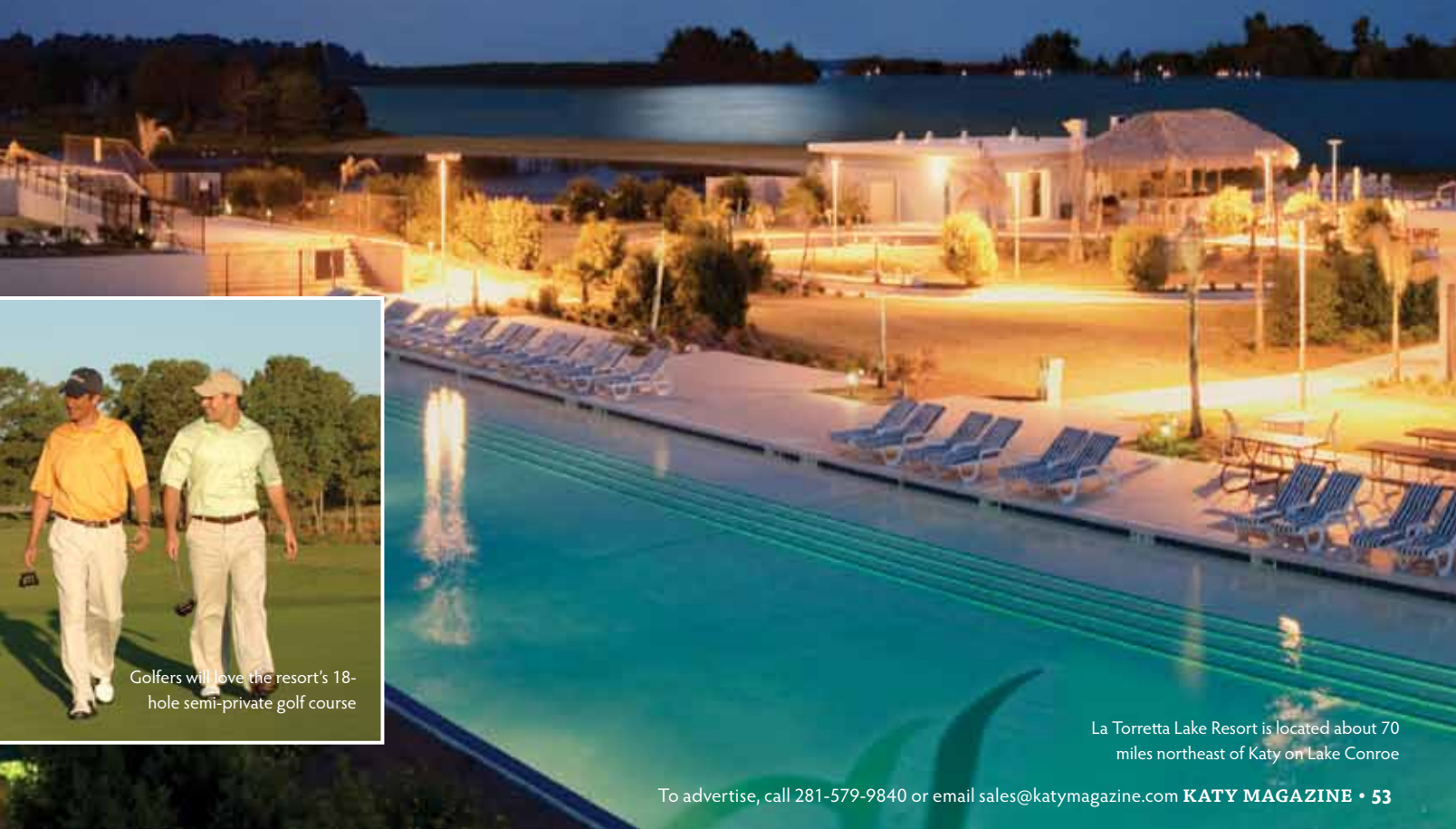
All vacationing parents need time alone to rekindle the romance and reconnect and that's why La Torretta has an on-site day camp for kids ages 5 to 11 called Adventure Point. The camp runs all summer long and has festivities and fun specially designed to keep the little ones entertained. Teens also have their own place to hang out called The Edge, with foosball, video games, and age-appropriate fun.

Ultimate Spa Retreat

With 20 treatment rooms and a full list of unique services, SpaTerre is where guests seem to find a slice of summer paradise. So much more than a massage or facial, their pre-treatment and post-treatment offer extraordinary surprises galore. Sip a mimosa then sooth yourself in a steamy, eucalyptus-filled Hamam Float Bath. After your treatment, step into a multi-head private shower that feels much like an Amazon waterfall. There is also a 10,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art fitness center with clean, new equipment and various classes each month, including yoga, Pilates, and spinning.

Golf Outings for Dad

Recently redesigned and renovated, La Torretta's 18-hole golf course is a semi-private course attracting men and women from all over Houston. Players enjoy spending time on the greens, navigating the bunkers, lakes, mounds, and hollows, all with beautiful Lake Conroe in sight. Hazards are strategically placed to challenge the more accomplished player while remaining out of reach for the handicap golfer.



Golfers will love the resort's 18-hole semi-private golf course

La Torretta Lake Resort is located about 70 miles northeast of Katy on Lake Conroe

Surrounded by Water

It's easy for families to beat the Texas heat, because La Torretta has water festivities galore. There are five pools, including a sophisticated infinity edge pool that cascades into a stunning Mediterranean pool. There is also a private beach area and a fenced Pollywog pool that's perfect for tots. The marina has rentals for all levels of adventure, from peaceful kayaking to adventurous jet skiing; from fishing on a pontoon boat to higher speed waterskiing. As you cruise on the lake, your eyes are drawn to La Torretta's oversized, spectacular Aqua Park, featuring more than a dozen ways to get drenched. From the Pollywog toddler pool through the adventurous waterslides for older kids and teens, La Torretta's Aqua Park is masterfully designed to have an age-appropriate area for everyone in the family.

The lazy river takes you afloat while you artfully maneuver in or around various water squirts, splashes, and bucket dumps along the way. Just try to stay dry! Next to the lazy river is a gargantuan, colorful splash scape with climbing structures, surprise squirts, and, best of all, an enormous overhead bucket dump every few minutes. In true resort fashion, there are food servers at every station of the Aqua Park making sure your family has all the food, sodas, or adult beverages you need to stay refreshed.



Floating down La Torretta's lazy river on inner tubes is a hit with all ages. The river has some fun water dump and splash surprises intended to keep you cool along the way.



Kids and adults flip for the park's splash scape. In addition to squirting, splashing, and climbing gizmos a plenty, there is a giant bucket that fills up and dumps on visitors for a cool surprise.



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Chex Roux is La Torretta's waterfront restaurant



Many of La Torretta's luxurious hotel suites and villas come with a beautiful view of the resort

Fancy or Family Dining

The resort has eight restaurants, bars, and lounges including renowned Chex Roux, La Torretta's crown jewel restaurant overlooking the lake. As Chef Albert Roux's first-ever American establishment, the elegant eatery offers a contemporary French menu in a sophisticated ambiance overlooking the lake. The resort also boasts a Sushi bar and lounge, a sports bar, poolside dining and cocktails, and of course room service. A nice benefit for families is that kids under 5 eat free all day, every day.

Villas & Suites

Families can choose to stay in a hotel tower suite or in a two- to three-bedroom villa that is more like a condo with plenty of

room for families. The villas are pet-friendly, amazingly clean, beautifully decorated, and sleep four to eight people. The spacious 1,350-square-foot, two-bedroom villas start at about \$275 per night and accommodate up to six people. The tower suites start at about \$179 per night. The Aqua Park is included in the cost of your stay. Check latorrettalakeresort.com for summer packages and specials. KM

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