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The Return of Thursday Night Dinners at The Inn at Langley

Seattle (June 10, 2008)—Each year, from mid-June through Labor Day, The Inn at Langley adds Thursday night dinners to its offerings. Prepared by chef Matt Costello and presented to a single seating of guests, The Inn's six-course menus showcase seasonal Northwest food, much of which is farmed or foraged on Whidbey Island.

Dinners start at 7:00 Thursday-Saturday and at 6:00 on Sunday. Price per person is \$85 excluding tax and gratuity.

"This is a wonderful time of year in the Northwest and many people understandably choose to make long weekends on Whidbey," said Matt Costello, chef and general manager at the Inn at Langley. "That's why we add Thursday dinners during the summer."

A recent early summer menu was as follows:

Appetizer: Weathervane sea scallop with wild arugula and 12 year balsamic

Soup: Sweet onion soup with green garlic and truffle salt

Seafood: Wild Alaskan Chinook salmon with Penn Cove mussels and sautéed fennel

Meat: Anderson Ranch lamb loin with barley and artichoke "risotto"

Cheese: Delice de Bourgogne with marinated strawberries and pepper biscotti

Dessert: Buttermilk panna cotta with roasted rhubarb

The Inn at Langley (www.innatlangley.com) is a 28-room contemporary inn located on Whidbey Island about an hour from Seattle via car and ferry. Matt Costello manages The Inn and serves as chef at The Inn's Restaurant, the heart of the beautiful and peaceful retreat. *Condé Nast Traveler* and *Travel + Leisure* magazines have consistently ranked the Inn among the top

accommodations in the nation (most recently in 2008), and in 2007, *Seattle CitySearch* named The Inn Best Weekend Getaway.

About Matt Costello:

Before becoming chef and general manager at The Inn at Langley, Costello worked as executive chef under Tom Douglas at both Dahlia Lounge and Palace Ballroom. With Costello at the helm, Palace Ballroom was nominated for the James Beard award for Best New Restaurant in the nation. The The Inn's Restaurant has received an extraordinary rating from the Zagat Survey for the past five consecutive years.

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