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Friday Harbor House on San Juan Island Launches \$1.3 Million Expansion

**Addition includes new 1,100-square-foot event and meeting facility and three guest
suites**

FRIDAY HARBOR, Wash. – July 18, 2005 – Friday Harbor House, a premier destination resort on San Juan Island, today announced a \$1.3 million expansion that will add meeting space and three guest suites.

The expansion includes a new two-story building that will house a 1,070-square-foot fully equipped event and meeting facility and three spacious guest suites. The new event and meeting facility has been developed to specifically address a growing demand from businesses and groups looking for new locations to host events and meetings in Friday Harbor.

“This expansion is part of our vision to provide even better service and amenities for our guests in our relaxing island setting,” says Langdon Simons, owner of Friday Harbor House. “We are excited to begin construction later this summer and be ready to accommodate more meetings and groups next season.”

The expansion, designed by local architect David Kinderfather, will complement and blend with the original Friday Harbor House design.

The event and meeting space can host up to 100 guests and is an ideal venue for weddings, social events and meetings. Features include the latest in audio-visual equipment, wireless Internet connections, a plasma-screen display, a kitchen space ideal for social functions and meetings as well as a small outdoor garden.

The three 460-square-foot suites will feature king beds, partial views of the harbor and all the amenities currently offered at Friday Harbor House.

Construction will begin in September and is scheduled to be completed by June 2006.

Currently, Friday Harbor House features 20 well-appointed guest rooms, the award-winning Harbor View Dining Room with Chef Truman Jones and a 300-square-foot meeting suite that accommodates up to 10 guests.

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About Friday Harbor House

Friday Harbor House is a 20-room, contemporary, waterfront inn located on San Juan Island, the second largest island in the 743-island archipelago in the northernmost stretch of Washington's salt waters. Friday Harbor House is owned by Langdon and Anne Simons and is managed by Columbia Hospitality, Inc. Opened in 1994, the inn features spectacular views of the marina, San Juan Channel and Mount Constitution on neighboring Orcas Island. Seasonal San Juan Island specialties are featured in the Harbor View Dining Room on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, and the inn's signature breakfast is served daily.

For more information, please visit www.fridayharborhouse.com.

About Columbia Hospitality

Columbia Hospitality Inc. (CHI), a leading hospitality management and consulting firm, was founded in 1995 by John Oppenheimer. Columbia Hospitality creates incredible experiences for guests and employees while achieving phenomenal results for its property owners. The company manages a portfolio of distinctive properties that includes the following conference centers and event venues: Bell Harbor International Conference Center, World Trade Center Seattle, Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center (catering and events only), Harbor Steps Conference Center, Kitsap Conference Center at Bremerton Harborside, Talaris Conference Center, Pier 30 Event Center and Washington Mutual Leadership Center at Cedarbrook.

The portfolio also includes the following unique inns and resorts: The Resort at Deer Harbor, The Inn at Langley, Friday Harbor House and Lakedale Resort at Three Lakes.

The company also supports an active consulting division, which has worked on more than 40 hospitality development projects in five Western U.S. states and Canada. The company was named to the *Puget Sound Business Journal's* list of the "Fastest Growing Private Companies in Washington State" three times in the past five years.

For more information, please visit www.columbiahospitality.com.