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LOCAL B&B CELEBRATES ANNIVERSARY WITH OPEN HOUSE

Curious local residents were able to get a peek of Willits' newest lodging alternative when Beside Still Waters Farm Bed & Breakfast hosted an open house on April 5 to celebrate one year in business. "We were very pleased with the turnout and were overwhelmed at the enthusiasm people had after seeing the property," commented owner/innkeeper Earl Collins. The weather was beautiful as visitors toured the comfortable but richly appointed cottages, enjoyed appetizers and beverages, and entered a drawing to win a free night in one of the spa cottages. Jack Cunningham was the winner of the free night certificate and Stephanie Chatten was the winner of a cookbook featuring breakfast and dessert recipes. "Arriving at the B&B I imagined quaint & tiny cottages among trees", observed Brenda Orenstein. "Instead I was greeted by large cottages with all of the modern appointments, stylish and comfortable furniture, a place that most people would love to call home."

"Congratulations to the Collins family. We are pleased to have them as members of the chamber and our business community. Simply put, Beside Still Waters Farm Bed & Breakfast is a gorgeous property with gracious hosts. And it is really a great value," noted Lynn Kennelly, Executive Director of the Willits Chamber of Commerce.

"We are pleased to be helping draw tourist dollars to the community," stated Christy Collins, owner/innkeeper. "We've welcomed guests from across the US, Canada and Europe – along with a few local residents from Willits and Ukiah. People seem to be delighted that we are here and many are choosing to save money on gas and stay inland instead of driving all the way to the coast." The inn has received accolades from newspapers around California, including the *San Francisco Chronicle*, *LA Times Magazine*, and *Ventura Star* and will be featured in the fall issue of *Inn Traveler Magazine*.

Beside Still Waters Farm is located on over 21 acres of forest and pasture, just 8 miles from Hwy 101 on Sherwood Road. The guest cottages offer privacy and an abundance of luxury spa amenities - oversized whirlpool tubs, fireplaces, aromatherapy steam-showers, footspas, high-end linens, heated towel-bars and more. The larger guesthouse is perfect for families and is available for weekly vacation rentals, as well as nightly bed and breakfast stays. A full breakfast, snacks, and beverages are included and special occasion packages or massage may be arranged.

For more information on Beside Still Waters Farm, please call Innkeepers Earl or Christy Collins at (877) 230-2171 or visit their website at www.besidestillwatersfarm.com

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