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17th Anniversary of Dickens Christmas Carol at the Inn

For the 17th year in a row, the White Oak Inn in Danville, Ohio will be the setting for an amazing one-man performance of Charles Dickens' "*A Christmas Carol*".

Performances are scheduled for Friday December 10 and Saturday December 11, 2010.

The mood is set with a traditional English afternoon tea served in antique tea sets inherited from the innkeepers' families. Ian and Yvonne draw on their Scottish heritage to create a veritable feast of traditional teatime treats, including tea sandwiches, fruit bread, scones still warm from the oven, lemon curd, shortbread and an assortment of cookies and sweets.

Once the guests have enjoyed their fill of the teatime treats, they move to the inn's common room for the performance. A backdrop of a blazing fire and candles set the scene to transport the audience back to Victorian England. Columbus actor Brent Alan Burington skillfully portrays each of twenty-six different characters in his almost two-hour long performance. Burington is an accomplished actor, currently touring with Cincinnati's Madcap Puppet Theater.

Says innkeeper Ian Martin, "It's an amazing performance. Brent becomes each character, completely changing his voice, his posture and mannerisms depending on which person he's playing. And without any cues except his own memory, he delivers a flawless performance, keeping the audience spellbound. We've seen grown men moved to tears. It's a wonderful rendition of such a classic story."

The overnight package includes overnight stay, the tea, the play, a light supper immediately after the show, and breakfast. Package prices start at \$259 a couple.

The White Oak Inn is a 12-room country inn in Central Ohio, offering personalized service and fine dining. Two log-cabin style cottages provide the ultimate

luxury retreat for romantic getaways. Facilities are also available for business meetings, weddings, family reunions, and other parties. Other events offered at the inn include a Spring nature weekend, wine and cheese weekends, murder mysteries, theater, and cooking classes. The inn is a member of Select Registry, Distinguished Inns of North America.

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