



## **Management Biography: Bob Smith Proprietor and Lighthouse Keeper**

Bob Smith is the proprietor and lighthouse keeper of Sebasco Harbor Resort.

Bob started his career in the hospitality industry in Maine 30 years ago as a night porter at the Holiday Inn by the Bay in Portland, Maine. Bob purchased Sebasco Harbor Resort in May of 1997 and has invested over \$12 million in renovations since that time. He is also the founder and principal of Northeast Hospitality and Kellory Management Corporation.

Bob has served as President of the Southern Midcoast Maine Chamber, Chair of the Maine Tourism Commission, President of New England Inns and Resorts Association and is currently Chairman of the Board of the Maine Innkeepers Association. Bob serves as a member of the American Hotel and Lodging Association (AH & LA) Resort Committee and represents Maine on the AH & LA board. He also serves as a board member of the Maine Tourism Association, is Co-Chair of the Governor's Nature-Based Tourism Initiative Task Force, and is an active committee member of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bath and Brunswick, also serving as a "Big" to his "Little", Bryan.

Bob graduated from the University of Southern Maine with a degree in Business Administration and later received the designation of Certified Hotel Administrator from the American Hotel and Motel Association in 1987. Northeast Hospitality developed and opened the Boothbay Harbor Inn, the White Mountain Hotel and Resort in New Hampshire and the Holiday Inn Express in Saco, Maine. Prior to Northeast Hospitality, Bob was the Director of Sales and Marketing for the Bethel Inn and Country Club, the Eastland Hotel in Portland and Casco Bay Lines.

Bob received the Community Service Award from the Maine Innkeepers Association in 1987 and was named that organization's "Innkeeper of the Year" in 2003. More recently, Bob received the Maine Tourism Award for Accommodations at the 2005 Governor's Conference on Tourism and later that year became the 2005 inductee into the Maine Tourism Association's Hall of Fame.

Bob resides in Portland and Sebasco Estates, Maine, with his wife Lori. Their daughter Kelsey graduated from Georgetown University and lives in New York City. Their daughter Mallory is in her final year at Villanova University. It makes that great school rivalry take on a whole new meaning in the Smith family.