

Glenn's Ten The Way I See It!

By Glenn Arnette, III

It has really been a Cole Porter experience! It's delightful, it's delicious, it is delovely! I am talking about the State of Maine! It is a motion picture, an artist painting, and most of all a living dream. My closest visit to Maine during my travel experiences has been on business to Boston. I wasted all those years by not doing a travel study.

First of all I want to thank Marti Mayne of Maynely Marketing of Yarmouth, Maine for helping make this one of my most exciting adventures. My schedule and selections were the best Maine and Mayne has to offer.

It all started with a flight to Portland, Maine. Then there was a car rental and a short drive into the world of sail boats, lobsters, and some of the friendliest people I have every met while traveling.

This is a collection of stories about those wonderful times with the purpose to send you packing and planning a vacation you will long remember! For the next few weeks I will be giving you valuable information telling you about my favorite places and adventures. Have fun! Here we go! This is one of those WOW trips!

My first stop was Rockland, Maine about an hour and a half from Portland. Now you also can fly into Bangor, Maine and drive South to Rockland. Once in Rockland I became a guest at the LimeRock Inn. Built in 1890 for Congressman Charles E. Littlefield. The cost for the magnificent house in 1890 was around \$4500 and was centrally located to the town on a 34 acre lot valued at \$400. At one time there was

a barn attached to the house by the "ell", a New England term. Later in years the house became known as Dr. Lawry's house and for 50 years, he operated his medical practice in the formal parlor and the grand Manan room. After his death, the house had little or no repairs

and was on the market for a number of years, but rescued in 1994. At that time two New Hampshire couples purchased the house and completely remodeled and saved the house from demolition. It then became the first "bed and breakfast" in Rockland.

Today the Inn is owned by two gentlemen, Frank Isganitis and PJ Walter, who have taken the LimeRock Inn to a new level of sophistication. There are eight sizeable guest rooms. Quoting from their guest information, "Egyptian cotton linens and towels are used exclusively throughout the Inn. Guests will find chocolates and bottled water in their room daily. Privately labeled shampoos, soap and bath beads can be found in each bath. A toiletry pantry for those forgotten necessary items is available. For business travelers, the Inn offers secure wireless

internet access, and an office complete with desktop computer, laser printer, fax machine and scanner." They

turreted Victorian mansion and an exquisite example of Queen Anne architecture. From eclectic décor to whirlpool tubs and "fabulous" breakfasts, this is the place for LOVE, however, I was alone!

For more details and additional pictures, contact Frank and PJ by calling 800 LIMEROCK (546-3762).

My stay was in the Island Room with private entrance and porch overlooking the garden. All decorated in white and blue,

you enjoy the ambiance of being in the Caribbean. Everything is within walking distance including the historical downtown area and the renowned Farnsworth Museum and Wyeth Center. They have a collection of more than 10,000 paintings, sculptures, watercolors, and fine art objects throughout 12 galleries and two historic properties. At the Wyeth Center they provide one of the world's prominent venues for viewing the breadth of work from this incredibly artistic family: N.C. Wyeth, the foremost illustrator of his time, whose work enriched children's classics

such as Treasure Island and Robinson Crusoe. (www.farnsworthmuseum.org). Now that is just the beginning! From Windjammer parades, arts and crafts shows, garden tours, concerts, delicious foods, lighthouses and much more, it is America's most talked about vacation paradise.

Later I will take you on the "Captain's Jack's Lobster Adventure" on a lobster boat

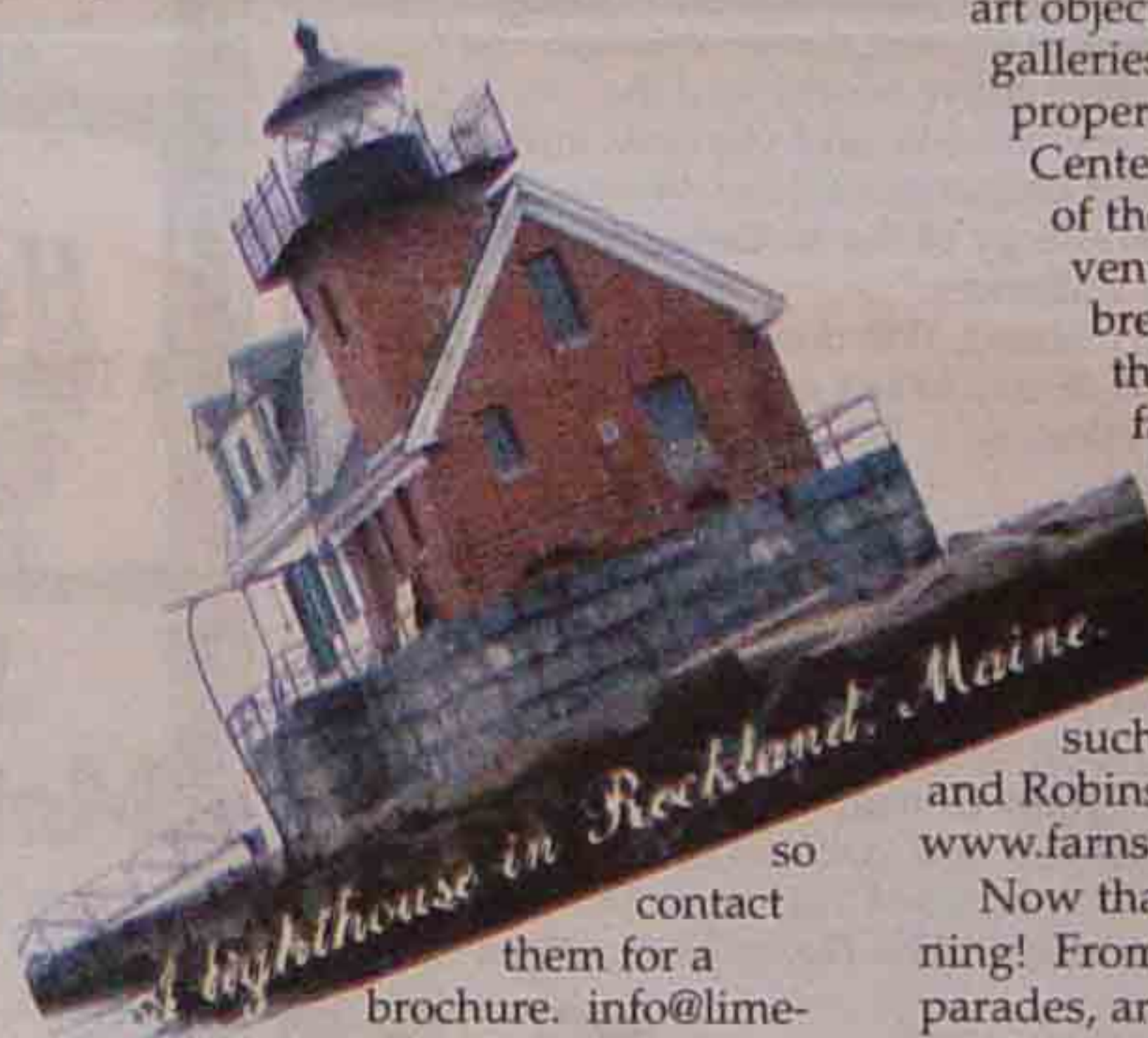
also offer TV upon request. You can dine in the Inn's spacious and sunny dining room to enjoy delicious and creative breakfasts. This is a non smoking Inn and pets are not allowed. There is so much more

so contact them for a brochure. info@lime-rockinn.com.

Now it has been named among the top 25 best undiscovered inns for romance, and what a romance it can be. Listed on the National Historic Registry, the LimeRock Inn is a beautiful



The Island Cottage of the LimeRock Inn.



A lighthouse in Rockland, Maine.

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with Steve Hale and a schooner sail on the "Morning In Maine" with Bob Pratt, and introduce you to the Berry Manor Inn my new friends at the Captain Lindsey House. Then top everything off with a visit to the Owls Head Transportation Museum.

Children will love the excitement of Rockland. There is so much to do and see, but for those that need a break or a real get-a-way, take your partner and give yourself a millionaire's rest in the world of historical Maine.

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The beautiful coast of Maine.



Frank Isganitis and PJ Walter, owners of the LimeRock Inn.



Lobster - the Maine dish.