

**Historic Smithton Inn** 

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**Innkeepers:** Rebecca and Dave Gallagher

## About the Innkeepers

## **Fast Facts:**

- Innkeepers at Historic Smithton Inn since 2009
- Married
- Children, Patrick and Megan (in Texas)

- Mascot: Bella
- Interests: outdoor activities, sports, running, marathon running, sailing
- Passions: wine, food, cooking, traveling

## Narrative:

In 2009, Rebecca and Dave Gallagher capitalized on the opportunity to turn a vision into reality. After living in Texas for 20+ years, both wanted to return to their Northeastern roots and live in a historic home. After over two years searching the internet for the right property, timing and fortuitous circumstances aligned enabling the Gallaghers to purchase the Historic Smithton Inn in Ephrata, Pennsylvania.

The Gallaghers each contribute strong business acumen to the Inn. Dave has more years than he cares to admit running a successful, Internet based sourcing business, Reliability Direct. Rebecca draws upon over 20 years of marketing communication experience in the corporate world when wearing her "business development and promotion hat" for the Historic Smithton Inn.

In addition, Rebecca runs the bed and breakfast along with long-time employee and friend Julia Vaitl. Julia manages food prep and housekeeping duties like a well-oiled machine, while Rebecca has a passion for cooking and running the business. They both prepare the Smithton Inn's own granola, home-baked breads and muffins and a hot breakfast items everyday. "Breakfast is my favorite thing about owning or visiting a B&B," said Rebecca, "I *love* to cook, but I could never cook like this every day for my own family!". Dave helps out sometimes too and is proud of his omelet flipping skills.

Both Dave and Rebecca are active in the local community and industry associations including, the Cocalico Valley Historical Society, the Ephrata Cloister Associates, Mainspring of Ephrata, the Northern Lancaster Chamber of Commerce, Lancaster County Bed and Breakfasts Inn's Association, Discover Lancaster and numerous Masonic Lodges.

Both Rebecca and Dave are passionate about good food, wine, traveling and entertaining. They were avid sailors and used to sail a 38 foot Beneteau. Rebecca enjoys working out or running to stay in shape. She's run ten marathons, including, one in Big Sur in California. Her most recent was the Houston Marathon in January 2019.