



**GRANT DePORTER**

President and Managing Partner

Harry Caray's Restaurant Group

Grant has over 30 years of experience in the restaurant industry. He literally grew up in the hospitality industry. His late father, Don, was a Hyatt regional vice-president based out of Chicago's largest hotel, the Hyatt Regency Chicago. Grant lived and worked in that hotel for much of his early life. He received a BS degree from Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration and an MBA from Duke University. Under Grant's leadership, Harry Caray's Restaurant Group (HCRG) has grown from one restaurant to eight restaurants and an off-premise catering company. HCRG consistently ranks as one of the Top 75

Multiconcept Operators in the Country. Harry Caray's Italian Steakhouse, HCRG's flagship, has been voted "Best Steakhouse in Chicago" by the *Chicago Tribune*, *Citysearch* and *Metromix on CLTV*, designated "an eternal hotspot" by *Chicago Magazine*, and ranked by *Restaurants and Institutions Magazine* among the top 100 independent restaurants in the country year after year.

Through Grant's efforts over the years, Harry Caray's has become one of the most nationally known Chicago restaurants. Grant and the restaurant have been seen on TV shows including the *Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, *Countdown with Keith Olbermann*, *ESPN*, *CBS Evening News*, *NBC Nightly News*, *ABC World News*, *Fox News*, *E!*, *BBC*, *CNBC's Power Lunch*, *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, *The Late Show with David Letterman*, *Larry King Live*, *20/20*, *Nightline*, *The Travel Channel*, *CNN* and *The Food Network*. Harry's has been written about in national magazines such as *Time* and *People*, as well as every major newspaper in the country.

Grant works tirelessly on behalf of many civic and charitable organizations at the local and state level. He has served as Chairman of the Illinois Restaurant Association, Illinois Tourism Alliance, Chicago's Gateway Green Committee and the Magnificent Mile Lights Festival. He continues to serve on these boards along with the Greater North Michigan Avenue Association, Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce, River North Association, and Quantum Learning.

Grant is the author of **Hoodoo: Unraveling the 100 Year Mystery of the Chicago Cubs**, an entertaining account of the events contributing to Cubs unprecedented World Series drought.

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