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MARCH 19th MEETING
Surf City Volunteer Fire Company #1
(Fire Hall)
713 Long Beach Blvd., Surf City, NJ 08008
Please see page 3
(& the NJLHS website)
for details, directions and a map.

Next Meeting: June 25th

LETTER FROM PROGRAM CHAIR

Membership is required to enter our Photo contest on March 19, 2016. Please bring membership card to March meeting.

The December 2015 luncheon was a great success with over eighty members attending. The food was great! The members enjoyed the interaction with friends and the activities. Thanks to all Board members for their help with the activities.

Special Thanks to Mike Boucher for handout about the lightship STONEHORSE and its mast. After the luncheon some members viewed the mast, which is found north on Route 130.

NOTE: December luncheon meeting will again take place at Mastoris, and membership is a requirement.

LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Just a reminder: Daylight Savings
Time starts on March 13th, the Sunday before our meeting. Spring arrives the day after our meeting - March 20th. I don’t know about you, but I can’t wait for spring! I hope to see you at the meeting!

ADDRESS CHANGE
To change your address please go to:
http://www.njlhs.org/join/AddrCng.pdf
download the form and mail to:
NJLHS Membership
631B Yale Way, Monroe Township, NJ 08831
NOTE - PHOTO CONTEST:
RECHECK THE RULES ON THE WEB!
AND make sure you get one form from the
website for each of the photos you are entering
in the contest. Members only may compete or
vote in our photo contest.
Please bring your membership card.

Program Schedule
9:30 AM Setup
10:00 AM Hospitality/Ways & Means
Hand in Pictures for contest
before meeting begins.
11:15 AM Meeting
12:15 PM Bring your own lunch.
VOTING BEGINS AT LUNCH
TIME, not before.
1:00 PM Program-Mike Boucher will
show photos from last years trip
and discuss trips.
2:00 PM Announcement of Finalists in
Photo Contest / Pictures taken of
finalists for the website & BEAM.
3:00PM Departure

WAYS AND MEANS
New apparel is coming to Ways & Means!
At the March meeting, there will be
brand new golf shirts and zipper hoodies
featuring the society’s new logo.
Check them out, and don’t forget your wallet!

Surf City Volunteer Fire Company #1 (Fire Hall)
713 Long Beach Blvd., Surf City, NJ 08008

From GSP Northbound and Southbound:
1 - Take exit 63 and follow Route 72 east for about 7
1/2 miles onto Long Beach Island.
2 - Turn left onto Long Beach Boulevard, towards
Barnegat Lighthouse.
3 - Go about 3/4 mile to North 7th Street.
4 - The firehouse will be on your left just past North
7th Street.

Those coming from the West Jersey, Camden area,
should pick up Route 70, following it east to Route 72.
Follow Route 72, going under the Parkway and follow
the directions above.

Those coming from the West Jersey, Trenton area,
Should pick up Route 195 east to the Parkway, follow
the Parkway south to exit 63 and follow the directions
above.

When parking, please make sure that you follow
parking restriction and do not block access for
emergency vehicles.

Visit the NJLHS website for the map:
www.njlhs.org
A MESSAGE FROM MEMBERSHIP
Carol Naill and Linda Gleason - Membership Co-Chairs

2016 Membership Renewal Nearing Completion: To date, approximately 75% of our members have renewed for 2016. If you’ve been putting off sending dues – please mail your form and renewal check in now. Single Membership is $20, Family Membership (all living at same mailing address) is $25. Unless you’ve renewed for 2016 – this will be the last BEAM you will receive – DON'T LET THAT HAPPEN! The address for renewing is:
NJLHS Membership Renewal 2016 - 631B Yale Way, Monroe Township, NJ 08831

Membership Numbers:
At the deadline for this issue, the 2016 membership numbers are as follows:
Single Memberships: 104
Family Memberships: 127 x 2 = 254
Total Members = 358 Members in good standing for 2016

IMPORTANT PHOTO CONTEST NOTE:
The March meeting will include the very popular NJ Lighthouse Society Photo Contest. Anyone wishing to enter a photo MUST be a paid 2016 member! If possible, please bring your 2016 membership card with you to this meeting!

Gift Memberships:
Not sure what to give that person who has everything? How about a membership to NJLHS? You can find an application on the NJLHS web site and print one out. You can also get one from the Membership Team at the next membership meeting. The membership packet will be mailed to the recipient, with a personal note saying that their membership to the Society is a gift from you. Let’s get our numbers up!

New Members:
The following members have joined our Society since the last issue of THE BEAM in December. Please note that if you become a member after the deadline for THE BEAM, you will be listed in the following issue. If you happen to meet any of these new members at a future meeting, please welcome them!

Dr. John Szczepaski Laurel Springs, NJ
Daniel VanDercuise Jackson, NJ
Sandra Hartzell Linthicum, MD
Brenda Schwaab Linthicum, MD
Joyce Stewart Greensboro, NC
Mary Anne Serafin Seaside Park, NJ
Jerry Powell Georgetown, DE
Harry J. Wess Georgetown, DE
Ken Fishman New York, NY

NATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY - August 7, 2016
Save the Date!
The New Jersey Lighthouse Society is making plans to celebrate this year’s National Lighthouse Day with a special event. Details will be announced at the NJLHS General Meeting on March 19th. Save-the-date of August 7th because we will be asking for your help that day!

NOTE: Most Lighthouses open third Sunday of month, March to November.
SPRING EVENTS

CAPE MAY LIGHTHOUSE
Friday, April 22 - 8pm-10pm
Saturday, May 21 - 8pm-10pm
Lighthouse Full Moon Climb
Let the light of the full moon guide you up the 199 stairs to the starry top. The Lighthouse is located in Cape May Point State Park, Lower Township. Join the Friends of the Lighthouse and get reduced or free admission to this and future events. Non-members: $8 for adults, $3 for children (ages 3-12). Friends: Free.
www.capemaymac.org

ABSECON LIGHTHOUSE
Saturday, March 19 - 7pm to 10pm
Ghost Investigation with Paranormal Equipment
Doors open 6:30pm. $45 per person

Sunday, May 8
Mothers Day – Moms Climb Free

Sunday, June 19th
Fathers Day – Dads Climb Free
http://abseconlighthouse.org

2015 KEEPERs AWARD RECIPIENTS
Cindy Mitzen

Congratulations to Jim Cope and Howie Wright, recipients of the 2015 Keepers Award!

I was honored to chair the Recognition Committee this year, working alongside Doreen Berson and Bob Gleason. It was tough work selecting a candidate with so many dedicated members of the Lighthouse Society that give so much of their time and energy.

As most of you know, Jim has just resigned after 12 years on the board of The New Jersey Lighthouse Society, where he served as the chief financial officer, guiding us each year through the annual budget. Without his explanations many of us would have been lost. It’s also a known fact that at the meetings, if there is a fire or any other emergency, Jim will show you the way out. Jim’s roots go deep -- he is one of those members that goes way back. Both Jim and his wife, Nancy, worked with the Park Service. They gave tours and lectures and were there to lend a helping hand. Jim also is a member of the NJLHS ‘Wickies’, who clean lighthouse lenses. Jim also piqued members' interest in stamp collecting.

As for Howie, he’s the quiet one, except if he wants something for the website. Howie has been around forever; he was there at the beginning of the society’s introduction to the “information superhighway.” He has always been looking for ways to improve and update our website. When I was chairing the photo contest he was the person who put all the thought and effort into getting all of the information posted online. If “Ways and Means” had items for sale, Howie would say “get me a picture and I’ll post it.” Trip information, trivia, history, everything -- before you asked, Howie had it listed on the website. If you tell Howie about your lighthouse vacation, he’ll want the pictures to post. Thanks to Howie, the society has an up to date and well maintained web presence.

I speak for everyone in NJLHS when I say: “Thank you, Jim and Howie. Your devotion and dedication is greatly appreciated.
FIRE ISLAND & HUNTINGTON HARBOR:  
LONG ISLAND DAY TOUR - May 21, 2016  
Mike and Judy Boucher

New Jersey Lighthouse Society is planning a day trip on May 21 to climb the Fire Island and Huntington Harbor lighthouses on Long Island.

The trip will start by boarding a bus at the Vince Lombardi rest stop on I-95 in Ridgefield, NJ. This is the last rest stop on I-95 before the split with I-80 in Northern New Jersey. We will travel to Fire Island and climb the 182 steps to the lantern room of the 1858 lighthouse. While there you will be able visit the Lens Building which houses the 1st order Fresnel lens that was in use from 1858 to 1933. There are interactive exhibits in the restored Keeper’s House. You will also have time to walk the boardwalk to the boathouse and see an authentic Surf Boat and equipment used by the United States Lifesaving Service.

We will then travel north across Long Island to Huntington to board a boat to tour the inside of Huntington Harbor Lighthouse in Lloyd Harbor. This 1912 Venetian Renaissance, Art Deco, and Beaux Arts building replaced the 1857 lighthouse. At the lighthouse we will be given a tour of the building and its history. After this we return back to our cars at the Vince Lombardi Service Area.

The cost for the trip is $75 person for the bus, admission to the lighthouse, and the boat ride out to Huntington Harbor Lighthouse. Lunch is not provided, bring a bag lunch. The bus will leave the rest area at 9:00 AM and return around 4:00 PM.

To sign up for the trip send $75 per person and the above registration form to Mike Boucher, 15 Starrow Dr., Newburgh, NY 12550. Make the check payable to the New Jersey Lighthouse Society.

More info about the trip will be sent once you sign up.
FUTURE TRIPS FOR THE SOCIETY

Mike and Judy Boucher

The New Jersey Lighthouse Society has several trips planned for the future. These are being announced now so you can plan for them.

On May 21 the Society is running a trip to Long Island to visit the Fire Island and Huntington Harbor Lighthouses. The trip cost is $75 per person. More info can be found on this trip at www.njlhs.org.

The big trip for 2016 will be to Prince Edward Island in Canada. The trip will be September 10 through the 17th. The cost of this trip will be $2200 for a couple and $1600 for a single. We will visit 47 lighthouses and will be able to climb a few of them. We’ll also be visiting a wool mill, an ice cream factory, the Canadian Potato Museum, the home of Anne of Green Gables, a fisheries museum and a bottle house. This trip is almost sold out. More info can be found on this trip at www.njlhs.org.

The first trip in 2017 will be sometime late March to the Grand Canyon state to see the lighthouses on the Colorado River and several National Parks. Since the late 1990’s the Lake Havasu Lighthouse Club has built twenty-five 1/2-sized replica lighthouses to replace the pole lights that mark the water ways around Lake Havasu and the Colorado River. Half of these lights can only be seen by boat or long walks in the desert. On the east side of the lake and river, the replica’s represent lighthouses from the east coast of the US, while the California side has west coast lighthouses. Havasu Island lighthouses are from the Great Lakes. Two of the lighthouses are from New Jersey: Barnegat and Sandy Hook. Some of the other highlights of the trip will include flying into Las Vegas, visiting the Hoover Dam and traveling the “Mother Road” Route 66 in Arizona. In Williams, AZ we will hop aboard the Grand Canyon Railroad to visit the Grand Canyon National Park, where the bus will meet us. In Page, AZ we’ll visit Antelope Canyon, a reverse canyon, narrow at the top and wide at the bottom; take a ½ day float trip down the Colorado River and tour the Glen Canyon Dam before heading to Kanab, UT, home to the many western movies and TV shows of the 1950 & 60’s. We then head north to Bryce Canyon National Park before heading to Cedar City, UT to photograph the Providence Lighthouse and then return to Las Vegas. The trip will be 8 days.

Sometime in March 2018, after Mardi Gras, we will be going to New Orleans. The highlight of the trip is a day trip by boat, down the Mississippi River to photograph the 3 lighthouses that mark the entrance to the Mississippi River Delta. Before we do that, we will visit several other lighthouses around the New Orleans and Lake Pontchartrain area. We will do a dinner cruise on the Mississippi River and have some time to spend in the French Quarter and the World War 2 Museum in New Orleans. On the way to the Berwick Lighthouse we will take a swamp boat tour, tour Avery Island, (home of McIlhenny Tabasco sauce) and visit an oil well platform museum. Besides seeing some hard to get to lighthouses, we’ll be eating some of the best food in the country: shrimp, crabs, crawfish, jambalaya, gumbo, pulled pork, hush puppies and some fantastic desserts. This trip will be 6-7 days long.

Info on these trips will be in The Beam and on the website at the proper time.
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MEETING LOCATIONS TO BE ANNOUNCED IN EACH ISSUE OF THE BEAM AND ON THE WEBSITE www.njlhs.org

DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE BEAM IS MAY 15

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RECIPE CORNER
Marty Hudspeth

Shrimp, Rice & Broccoli
By Yvonne Miller Thies

- 2 sheets foil (12x18-in.)
- 8 ice cubes
- ½ lb. raw & peeled shrimp
- ½ cup water
- 1 cup rice, instant (white or brown)
- Lemon juice to taste
- 2 tsp. seafood seasoning
- 2 cloves garlic, minced & divided
- 2 cups broccoli florets cut in pieces
- 2 Tablespoons Brummell & Brown butter substitute or margarine

Set oven at 450 degrees. Spray foil with Pam. Center half of the shrimp on each piece of foil. Arrange uncooked rice around the shrimp. Sprinkle with half of the seafood seasoning on top of each packet of shrimp & rice and ¼ of the garlic. Put broccoli over shrimp. Sprinkle ¼ of garlic top with 1/2 butter on each packet add 4 ice cubes on each packet. Bring up foil sides. Double fold top and one end seal. Pour ½ of water in each packet. Double fold remaining end to seal. Place in oven for 15 to 18 minutes. Add lemon & serve. TIP: Any vegetable (fresh) can be substituted; asparagus, green beans, etc.