BARNEGAT EXHIBIT OPENS

Article by Tom Laverty, Photos by Rosemary Dixon

On Friday September 24, 2004 State Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Bradley M. Campbell welcomed a small crowd of visitors and department employees to the new Barnegat Lighthouse State Park Interpretive Center. The recently converted bathhouse, long abandoned for that purpose, is now to be used as the Park office and exhibit center that will welcome 100,000 visitors annually.

Barnegat Lighthouse has stood guard along the New Jersey coastline since July 20, 1835. The first 40 foot high lighthouse marked shoals off Long Beach Island that were noted by Dutch Captain Cornelius May in 1614. It was Captain May who named the shoals "barende-gat" or breakers inlet after observing the sea breaking over them. The early lighthouse however was constructed poorly. It was reported that the walls bulged, mortar quickly deteriorated, and bricks fell off the tower. The beacon at the top of the tower was not much better. Captain E. R. Smith of the ship the Tropic complained that Barnegat Light was hard to tell from Tucker's Island Light 18 miles to the south. Often Smith said he would steer for Barnegat Light passing it without seeing it.

Other mariners complained about the inferior lighthouse as well.

"Barnegat Light is an indifferent one; is frequently mistaken for a vessel's light; in hazy weather cannot be seen more than seven miles. Vessels bound to New York ... generally run for this light, and it is of great importance that it should be a first-order light,..."


Concerned about the condition of Barnegat the Lighthouse Board dispatched Lieutenant George C. Meade, of the U.S. Army Bureau of Topographical Engineers, to survey the Light's condition. The Topographical Engineers provided engineering, design, and construction services to the new Lighthouse Board. Meade wrote in a September 20, 1855 letter to the Board:

"The light at Barnegat is emphatically a seacoast light, and should be of the first class..."

"Its real purpose is to make known their positions to mariners from over the seas, who may first make the land in its vicinity."

(Pictured l to r) Bradley M. Campbell, Commissioner DEP
Robert Auermuller, Superintendent of Barnegat State Park
Tom Laverty, Curator of Twin Lights Historical Site, President NILHS
Diane Hewlett-Lowrie, Resource Interpretive Specialist DEP
Shore Region Office
Jose Fernandez, Director, Division of Parks and Forestry, NJ State Park Service

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From the Editor's desk. . . . .

As we go to press and get back to our routines after the Presidential Election and prepare for the Holiday Season, we might want to take a moment to be thankful for those things we have, say a prayer for those in harms way and pray for our country's leaders.

The next issue deadline will January 22, 2004, seven weeks prior to the following meeting of March 12, 2004. Carol and I would like to wish you a Healthy Holiday Season and Prosperous New Year.

Joe and Carol Guchek, Editors

President's Corner

As we head into our yearly elections, I look forward to having some familiar faces step up to new responsibilities with the Society, and new faces replace others. The fact that we are able to find members willing to participate in the management of the organization without much arm-twisting is a testament to how great lighthouse folks are. I will, however, miss several faces from our line up.

After 7 years of chairing the publicity committee Elinor and Rich Veit will be stepping down. Have you ever wondered how it is people find out about the New Jersey Lighthouse Society, our meetings, activities and programs? An important way is through publicity. Elinor and Rich have worked hard to publicize our organization and have succeeded. Articles are regularly printed in local and national publications based on the press releases they have sent out. In the months leading up to the 2004 Lighthouse Challenge 1 and other NLJHS members talked to several newspapers, were interviewed on cable Channel 12, and did radio interviews. All of these interviews were the result of press releases written and mailed out by the Veits. In addition to publicity, we will miss Elinor as a member of the Board of Directors, and Rich who chaired our Preservation Raffle Committee. That Raffle Committee raised over $25,000 in the four years he has been at the helm. No small feat for an organization our size. As they step down from that role this year, I want to recognize their contributions to the Society. When you see them at our meetings, or other activities, please tell them thank you for a job well done.

Another member whose wise counsel will be missed on the Board's executive committee, is 2nd VP Bill Volpe. Bill has taken on many responsibilities in the last several years, one of the most time consuming was that of Chair of the Finance Committee. Fortunately Bill will stay on the Board as a Director, but I know I will miss those calming discussions that helped keep us focused on our tasks at budget meetings when we all got a little passionate about what we were doing.

Finally, Harry Megenigal sent a wonderful note thanking everyone for voting him an Honorary Member at our June meeting. Harry wrote:

"Dear Officers, Directors and Friends, I thank you very much for your notes and cards, plus voting for my life time membership. I’d like to give everyone a hug and kiss. NO, NOT THE GUYS! I will miss you, love, Harry"

I know all of those who come to the general membership meetings miss Harry’s smiling face at the raffle table.

See everyone at Sea Girt.

Tom
On the glorious, sunny morning of April 17, 2004 our group, under the direction of Mike Boucher, began the tour at the Fort Wadsworth visitor center. We first viewed a short documentary film about the park. Then we made our purchases at the gift shop and looked at the exhibits. A model of the handsome Fort Tompkins Lighthouse, with its gingerbread dwelling and light tower was on display. (Photo at right)

Next we met a lovely lady park ranger (pictured at left) who led us out to the Fort and there gave an informational speech. What a gorgeous sight, the sun on the water, the Verrazano Narrows Bridge, the Fort Wadsworth Lighthouse, and budding trees. We climbed down to the foot of the gun battery, then up the stairs for another beautiful view to photograph.

We then piled into two mini-buses for our day-long trip. Our first stop was to see Robbins Reef Lighthouse. It is 45 ft high, but quite far out in the water. Even with the telephoto lens, it appears tiny. Nearby, the morning sun on our Lady of Liberty was inspirational.

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Congress appropriated $60,000 for the project — $45,000 for construction of a new tower and $15,000 for a first-order Fresnel Lens. The new tower was lit January 1, 1859, and stood 165 feet above high water. During construction, the older 1835 Lighthouse tower fell into the water justifying the urgency for replacing it. For 68 years Barnegat’s beam swept 22 miles out over the horizon night after night warning mariners to be cautious of the shoals. Finally in 1927, it was decided a Lightship would be more effective, and one was positioned just off the Inlet in the Atlantic Ocean. Thus ended “Old Barney’s” faithful service to mariners.

Barnegat Lighthouse and surrounding land were transferred to the State of New Jersey and the lighthouse was decommissioned. The U.S. Lighthouse Service reserved the right to maintain a light for navigation. During World War II, the lighthouse was used as a lookout tower for enemy ships by the U.S. Coast Guard. In January 1944, it was taken out of service. The site was returned to New Jersey in 1946 and five years later it was designated a state park.

The new displays will commemorate that history as well as educate visitors about the natural features of the Park. The new interpretive center was made possible by the elimination of the bathing beach and need for a bathhouse. State Park crews worked hard to convert the structure into an office and interpretive complex. Other Parks and Forestry employees within the State Department of Environmental Protection, did research, collected graphics, and wrote text for the project. The State provided $50,000 in funding to hire an exhibit designer and fabricator to build the new displays while additional funding in the amount of $50,000 came from the New Jersey Lighthouse Society. Our contribution paid for parts of the interior displays and will fund the exterior welcome panel to be located just outside the Interpretive Center entrance.

Commissioner Campbell thanked the New Jersey Lighthouse Society for its contribution to the project. In addition to Commissioner Campbell, Jose Fernandez, Director of the Division of Parks and Forestry, and Rob Auermuller, Superintendent of Barnegat Lighthouse State Park spoke at the ceremony. All at the ceremony was Diane Hewitt-Lowery, Resource Interpretive Specialist for the Shore Region of Parks and Forestry who was team leader for the project and several NJLHS members.

In addition to the lighthouse, the panoramic views and public recreational access along the inlet, Barnegat Lighthouse State Park contains one of the last remnants of maritime forest in New Jersey. The forest, which is dominated by black cherry, eastern red cedar and American holly, is an important resting and feeding area for migratory birds on their long journey to and from their breeding sites. A short self-guided trail leads visitors through the forest.

The Interpretive Center and exhibits will be open on weekends through the end of October, and will reopen again in the spring 2005. Daily visiting hours at the lighthouse are Memorial Day through Labor Day from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The spring and fall hours for the lighthouse are 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
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A Message from Membership

(Mary Beth Doherty, Membership Chair; email address: NJLHSMember1@aol.com)

Believe it or not, it’s that time of year again!!! A day or so after the December meeting, you’ll be receiving a GREEN renewal form in the mail. Please review the information on the form, and return it promptly so that your membership status doesn’t lapse into the “non-renewal” category!!

A few things to keep in mind:

- If you joined the Society after October 1, 2004, your membership is good thru 2005. You will be notified if that is your status.
- If you want membership cards for each member of your family please write those names on your renewal.
- If you’ve moved, changed email addresses, phone numbers, your name or membership status, please indicate that change clearly on the form.

Meeting Attendees:

There were 89 members and guests that signed-in at our September meeting in Lewes, DE. Reminder: Please sign the book. We like to keep track of how many people are coming to the meetings to ensure a facility large enough and plenty of chairs.

Membership Numbers:

At the deadline for this issue, the membership numbers are as follows:

Single Memberships = 363
Family Memberships = 308 x 2 = 616
Total Members = 979

Reminders:

Please direct all membership questions to me. I have all the information and will be able to answer you immediately. Please feel free to email or call.

Society Nametags: Stop by the Membership Table to order the nametags. They are $4.00 each, paid for when ordering, and will be mailed to you. (Orders will be taken at meetings only.)

Changes: If you’re moving, changing your membership status, phone number, or email address, please let me know so I can have your most current information. I like to keep the database up to date!

Gift Membership: A membership to the New Jersey Lighthouse Society would be the perfect gift for that person who has everything! Please allow enough time for me to process the application!

New Members:

Since the deadline of the September issue of The Beam, the following members have joined our Society. (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 them at a future meeting, please welcome them!

Combs, Teresa L. Frazer, PA
Hummell, Ginny Fairless Hills, PA
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Lambert, Ronald Ocean Gate, NJ
MacArthur, Joseph A. Westhampton, NJ
Mace, Nanci Hastings-on-Hudson, NY
Naused, Lillian R. S. Amboy, NJ
Parks, Alvin P. Salisbury, MD
Stand, Skip New York, NY
Vena, Joseph Monroe Twp., NJ
VOLUNTEERS

51 Sandy Hook volunteers just completed the National Park Service fiscal year with outstanding results!

Tour guides gave 787 tours and 5630 people made the trek to the top of the lighthouse for the (usually) great views. Greeters and tour guides added an additional 3645 ‘interactions’ for a total of 9275 visitors to the site.

The volunteers complied 2805 hours of service this year in 80 dates between September 2003 and October 2004.

Lois Mumin, once again, compiled the most hours with 344. The other Top Ten volunteers, in order, are Al Smith, Susan Mazza, Ken Schumacher, Betty Smith, Grace Schumacher, Bob Gasecki, Cliff Smith, Susan Smith and Pat Hospador. The Top Ten volunteers accounted for 1423 of the total hours donated. Thanks to ALL the volunteers but especially the Top Ten for all the work that you have put in this past year.

The Sandy Hook volunteer dinner will be held on December 11, 2004 at the ‘new’ firehouse. Please let us know if you plan to attend.

Lou Venuto, Chief of Interpretation, informed me that there is now sufficient water pressure in the fort area to install the sprinkler system in the Keeper’s House and Education Buildings. He stated that as soon as final approval is received on this system they will begin work on the interior of the house. He believes it will be ready in 2005. Let’s keep our fingers crossed!

We finally gained permission from the Coast Guard to clean the Fresnel lens! Tom Wade and I accomplished this on Thursday, Oct. 14 after Jim and Nancy Cope and I cleaned the inside of the tower the day before. Jim and Nancy have done this in the past and I thank them and Tom Wade for their help. Hopefully we can do this more often in the future and keep the lighthouse looking good, at least, on the inside.

We have several new volunteers this year; Phil Weiler, Johnnie Walker, Faith Giambii, Tom Wade, Pat and Ron Bandoek and Pam McArthur and they have worked out well. I welcome them once again and hope they enjoyed their time with us this year.

Unfortunately, the losses just about equaled the gains for the year.

Some have moved, some are busy with other Society ‘chores’, and some may have just lost ‘the fire’.

So, if YOU are looking for an interesting way to spend some weekend time, we would be happy to have you join our ‘family’. I think if you ask any of the new volunteers, or the ‘veterans’, they will tell you we have a pretty good group and have a good time together. Most importantly, we are keeping a National Treasure available to the public. You can reach me at 856 546 7810 or cmagsmith@juno.com.

Of course, if you don’t want to travel that far, other lighthouses in the area, including Absecon and East Point, are always looking for volunteers. Find out how you can HELP.

Al Smith
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The next stop, New Dorp Light is a designated city landmark. It is maintained as a private residence hidden among many trees. We walked this way and that in order to get photos. A few of us went all the way around the block to see the back of the house, where the pictures would have been better, except for the intrusion of a huge family deck.

The Staten Island Light was the prettiest of all we saw that day. Picture perfect with flowering pear trees along a black iron fence, yellow forsythia and blue sky. How I wish our Society could afford to print some color pictures in the Beam! Hopefully in the near future this will be possible. (Pictured Below)

New Dorp Light photo taken by Ted Smith from WWW.Lighthouse.com site

A stop for lunch at a local diner was excellent. There was a pre-set menu, with four choices, so the service was very efficient. Mike was so nice to request a veggie burger for me, which was served with plenty of lettuce, tomato & onion. Delicious!

After lunch we visited a park along the shore to view the Great Beds Light. There is a very nice pavilion, which would be perfect for a meeting place. Then we had a nice walk along the pebbled shore, with many photo-ops. Fallen logs, rotted pilings in formation, a passing freighter and other boats resulted in interesting photos.

Then to Prince’s Bay Light, located at Mount Loretto, Hylan Blvd. There is a nice rubble stone keeper’s house, with the tower attached via a walkway. Pretty daffodils made a nice contrast, however, a vehicle parked in front detracted from the pictures. Pictured Left.

Photo: Jim Crowley from www.lhdigest.com site

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Lastly, we arrived at the Elm Tree Lighthouse, (Below) a 65 ft. concrete tower. Together with The New Dorp Light, the Elm Tree Light formed a pair of range lights for Swash Channel. Mariners would line these up for safe passage through the channel, then they would aim for the Conover Beacon and Chapel Hill range lights in New Jersey.

After a stop at a chocolate shoppe and a fancy bakery, we finally arrived back at Fort Wadsworth, with bags of goodies in hand, very tired after a wonderful day.

Thank you Mike!

Photo Contest 2005

Now that summer has ended, it's time for one to sit back and review those beautiful pictures we have all been taking. The categories for 2005 will be:

1) New Jersey Lighthouses any size
2) National/International Lighthouses
3) Lighthouses with Flowers
4) New Jersey Lighthouse collage
5) Winner's Circle

If you are in the Winner's Circle, you may submit 2 photographs of any lighthouse anywhere. Those of you in the Winner's Circle will receive a post card by January reminding you that you are in the Winner's Circle.

The remainder of us may submit up to 3 photographs total in any category or combination of categories.

As a reminder this is an amateurs' contest. I'd like to hear from any of the pros out there if we need to set up a category for them.

Al Smith always had a wonderful group of volunteers that came forward each year to help. I'm hoping these experts will help guide me through my first attempt as photo contest host. If anyone is interested in helping out whether you have in the past or not, please see my husband Michael or me at the meeting.

Cindy Mitzen

COOK BOOK TITLE

Needed, an appropriate title for our cookbook. Any and all suggestions are welcome. We have the recipes and we will be submitting the book in January, so please give it a thought.

Contact Bob or Marion Hudspeth at (609) 877-1393
Program Signals:

FALL MEETING RECAP.

October 2nd Meeting, Lewes, Delaware

By Renard Petronzio

90 members and guests attended this meeting held at the Lewes Presbyterian Church. The meeting was established as a weekend get together to take advantage of the many activities occurring in and around Lewes on Saturday and Sunday. Almost all of the people attending the meeting spent the weekend.

Bob Trapani, president of the Delaware River and Bay Lighthouse Foundation was gracious enough to step in as guest speaker. Bob explained his organization's goals and objectives and presented a slide show explaining the history of the lighthouses for which the DRBLHF has assumed responsibility. Also, we welcomed the appearance of representatives of the Lightship Overfalls who told us a great deal about their organization and future plans for vessel.

After the meeting, 28 members went on a 3-hour lighthouse cruise around Delaware Bay viewing the East End, Harbor of Refuge, Brandywine and Fourteen Foot light. Following the boat trip, many members moved on to the Lighthouse Inn where they took advantage of the very generous discount offered NJLHS members for Breakfast, Lunch or Dinner with proof of membership. Members toured the Lightship Overfalls and attended the various "Boast the Coast" activities including the lighted boat parade on Saturday evening. Some members visited the Indian River Life-saving Station and the Fenwick Island Lighthouse. On Sunday members attended the very popular Univ. of Delaware's 28th Annual Coast Day celebration, an educational festival for Delaware's rich marine resources.

WINTER MEETING/HOLIDAY SOCIAL

By Yvonne Miller

DECEMBER 4, 2004

The meeting will be held at St. Rose High School Cafeteria, Belmar, New Jersey.

The itinerary will be:

10:30AM Hospitality
11:00AM Meeting Call to Order, Business & Elections
12:30PM Break for Lunch (Bring your own lunch)
1:00PM Surprise Presentation by Nancy & Jim Cope

There will be Christmas Sales items at the Ways & Means Table, and other items available.

The Holiday Social will be held at 2PM to 4PM at the Sea Girt Lighthouse at Beacon and Ocean Avenue in Sea Girt, NJ. Plan to be festive. The Lighthouse organization has their own decorations and will already be decorated. However, if you would like to bring a Lighthouse Ornament to donate to them, feel free to do so for the future.

Spring Meeting/Photo Contest: March 13, 2005 presently planned at the North Wildwood Fire House, Hereford Inlet Lighthouse will be open for our members.

Summer Meeting/Picnic and Annual Preservation Raffle: June 25, 2005, Kingland Park, Sleepy Hollow, NY. Tarrytown Lighthouse will be open to our members.

Fall Meeting: September 25, 2005 at Tinicum Lighthouse, Paulsboro, NJ. Come celebrate 125 years with the members of the Tinicum Rear Range Lighthouse.

I would like to express my thanks to all of the members who helped at the meetings over the past year. I especially want to express my appreciation (Continued on page 11)
and thanks to Joe & Carol Guchek and Renard & Marie Petronzio for all of the help in researching and arranging of the various sites for the meeting at Lewes, DE. The Gucheks arranged for use of the Church Hall and approached the proprietors of the Lighthouse Inn for the discounts for our members and compiled the directions for the activities and sites to visit. The Petronzio’s visited the area last spring and arranged for the boat trip checked out accommodations, etc. Thank you also to Carol & Joe Guchek and Ann & Bill Volpe for handling Hospitality and to all the members who pitched in for the clean up after the meeting. This meeting would not have happened without any of them. And finally, best wishes to all from Fred and I for a Merry Christmas and Happy 2005

Directions to December 4th

Meeting and Social

From West New Jersey
Take New Jersey Turnpike to exit 7A. After toll onto rte I-195 east toward shore points. About 35 Miles rte I-195 turns into NJ rte 138 east, about 3 miles rte I-138 east ends at NJ rte 35. Merge onto rte 35 North towards Belmar/Asbury Park, Rte 35 north for 1/2 mile and turn right onto 16th street/county road 18. On 16th street 1/2 mile turn left onto Main Street. Take Main Street 1/4 mile make right onto 11th Ave. Then left onto D Street. School at 11th and D street Belmar NJ

From north New Jersey
Garden State Parkway to exit 98 onto rte 138 east then follow directions above

From south New Jersey
Garden State Parkway to exit 98 onto rte 138 east then follow directions above

From St Rose High School to Seagirt Lighthouse
From D street towards 11th Ave. Turn left onto 16th Ave Four blocks turn right onto Ocean Ave. 2.34 miles into Seagirt turn right onto Brown Ave then turn left onto 1st Ave then turn left onto Beacon Blvd. Lighthouse at end of Beacon Blvd at beach.

Outreach 2004

Outreach is growing leaps and bounds. The Society has received several invitations to participate in festivals, educational exhibits, etc. This year was very successful thanks to the many volunteers who manned the exhibits through the year.

In January, Winter Lights of Calvert Museum, Solomons, MD found BJ and Al Smith and Bob and Marion Hudspeth traveling to spread the word of NJLHS and our Lighthouse Challenge and sell our merchandise.

May 1st, Mike Boucher, Judy McCann, Renard and Marie Petronzio were out at Cedar Point Long Island to the Suffolk County Lighthouse Day Festival. On the following weekend the Hudspeth's went back down south to Piney Point, MD. Bob and Marty exhibited our diorama and NJLHS merchandise before the winds and rain cut their stay short.

In June we were again invited to the the Barnegat Bay Festival at Berkeley Island County Park, Ocean County where the Bob & Marion Hudspeth, Pat Hospador, Anthony Albence and Dixie Amento manned our exhibit for the 8th Annual Barnegat Bay National Estuary Program.

In August, the Annual East Point Open house saw Anthony Albence, Jim Gale handing out lighthouse materials and Challenge brochures while Bob & Marion were doing what they do best. Selling our NJLHS merchandise. This was a very successful day!

September 24th and 25th, at the Tuckerton Baymen's Decoy Show, our Ways and Means Chairpersons Bob & Marion again went to work selling our goodies and Mary Catherine Kennedy, Catherine Klix, Dixie Amento and Johnnie Walker covered the two day exhibit. Another very successful event.

On October 9th, the Society was invited by the New Jersey Maritime Consortium to set up our diorama at Coast Day. This was a non sales exhibit for us so Dixie Amento and I spent the afternoon at the Viking Village, Barnegat Light, LBI. We again handed out Challenge brochures, membership brochures and answered questions about lighthouses in general. Many people saw our exhibit and remarked the we were the "Challenge" people.

This year we were invited to the Cape May County Historical Museum Clandebeke, Down Barnegat Bay Symposium and the Coast Day Exhibit in Cape May. We just couldn't get to these sites because of short notice but hope to do so next year. With the help of the very faithful volunteers mentioned and hopefully some new volunteers we can handle all of these exhibits next year. The Outreach Program gives us the opportunity of spreading the word about all lighthouses, our Society and Challenge and gives us an outlet for selling our society merchandise besides just at the meeting. Bob and Marion have done an outstanding job in select merchandise for Ways and Means and have made it possible to get to more of these exhibits than I would normally be able to do. My sincere thanks to them and all of the volunteers, there were many who repeated volunteering for several events. I hope that you all had as much fun as I have had in planning for these events. Hope to see you next year. Happy Holidays and keep the lights shining!

Yvonne Miller, Outreach Chairperson
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