

N.J. CHAPTER - U.S. LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY
MINUTES, 3-26-94 MEMBERSHIP MEETING
BARNEGAT LIGHT, N.J.

The meeting was called to order by President Jack Granger at the Barnegat Firehouse at 11:15 am.

In accordance with our new format, the introductions of the Officers, Board of Directors and new Chairpersons were made. New members were asked to stand for acknowledgment.

Program Chairman Yvonne Miller introduced the guest speaker, John Bailey Lloyd. Mr. Lloyd presented an excellent program regarding Tucker's Island and the old Little Egg Harbor Light.

The business meeting reconvened at 12:25 pm. and Margaret Ridolfi presented the Treasurer's report for January/February/March, 1994. The report was approved as presented with a 12/31/93 balance of \$5,003.95, income of \$3,007.50, and expenses of \$1,667.96, and a 3/26/94 balance of \$6,343.49

Joan Walton presented the Membership Report. She asked for members responding to the mailing sent to the U.S.L.H.S. to stand. Aaron Novak from the U.S.L.H.S. was acknowledged. Members were told that the bulletin is free to affiliates of the N.J. Chapter, so spread the word. To date, there are approximately 180 members, today's new memberships bring that figure to approximately 190.

Jack Granger commented that Yvonne Miller, who has been Program Director for the past couple of months, has been doing a great job. The June 4th Inner Harbor cruise, will cost \$30.00 and will leave at 9:00 am. Seven or eight lights will be seen. There are still about 15 seats left. The fall cruise is being planned for the 15th or 22nd of October. Some thoughts for the this cruise include Stamford, Ct., Norwalk Ct., Bridgeport, New Haven or Newport. 15 - 18 lights will be seen. This trip should be finalized by the June meeting.

Jack said that some members are interested in taking short trips. One idea is Newport RI, another idea is "Bug" Light, Long Island. The travel and accommodation arrangements would have to be made by individual members. If you are interested, let Joan Walton know.

Tom Laverty, Chairman of the Preservation committee introduced committee members. The committee is in the process of writing letters to all the Lighthouse organizations in the state to inform them of the this committee's mission and to extend an offer of assistance in their preservation concerns. He also mentioned the February sinking of WLV-189, and thanked Kathy Hackney and George Freirer for obtaining information regarding the WLV-189.

Jack Thomson, with the help of other members, set up a booth at the NJ Boat Show. As a result of the show, the Society had the chance to welcome a few new members. Approximately \$500.00 was made in sales at the show.

Jack read highlights of a letter from A.G. Smith of the Maurice River Historical Society in which our society was thanked for a donation of \$600.00 last year that we made to help them in their restoration efforts. He also spoke of the upcoming revision of the By-Laws. If you would like to make any suggestions, please contact Joan Walton who is setting up the committee.

The pros & cons of a Ways and Means Committee was discussed. It was decided, at the last Board meeting, that such a committee would be formed. Jack Thomson will put it together.

Jack Granger informed members about a cruise that the Va. Chapter will be having on July 30 & 31 departing from Reedsville, Va. A total of 18 lights will be observed during the two days of the trip. The cost is \$80.00 per person, dinners and accomodations not included. If interested Jack will put you in contact with the President of the Va. Chapter, Herb Entistle.

Bob Lewis won \$87.50 from the 50/50

Harry McGonigal won a mug from the memorabilia drawing.

Jack Granger thanked Jack DeStefano for the donation of pictures at each meeting.

Katie Moser read the minutes of the December meeting. Carl Nelson noted that there are five directors, when the by-laws call for only four. Jack stated that this discrepancy would be addressed and the resolution would be reported at the June meeting.

An Arts & Crafts show will be held on June 25 at Beach Haven at the Veterans Bicentennial park between 10 & 4. See Jean Haddock for specifics.

Jack asked for comments from Officers and Directors, there were none. A move was made and seconded from the floor to accept the minutes.

A membership list of the society, for distribution to society was discussed. The majority of the members opposed such a list.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:15.

Next meeting will be June 25 at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Pennsville.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Hackney
Secretary

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