NELL Members If you have not yet paid your dues please read below...

2020 NELL Membership Dues are past due.  
Your membership dues payment must be received by March 31, 2020.  
Send your check, $20.00 for single membership or $30.00 for a dual membership to:  
NELL, c/o Kathy Santucci, 38 Lime Kiln Road, Tuckahoe, NY 10707.  
If you are registering for the spring trip to New Hampshire your dues must be paid prior to the trip.  

All unpaid members will be removed from the membership list at the end of March.  
If you would like to pay your NELL dues by PayPal click on the link below and follow the instructions. 
You do not need to be a PayPal member you can pay by credit card.

http://www.newenglandlighthouselovers.org/membership-form/

2020 LHHCY Cookie Contest Winners

Left - Right  Ron Foster (first), (tie for second) Sharon Mills, Linda Sherlock.  
With guest speaker, Elinor DeWire, photo bomber.
Plans for our spring 2020 event and membership meeting are well underway for the weekend of May 30-31 in the Lake Sunapee area of New Hampshire.

**Saturday, May 30th**  
**MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND BOAT CRUISE**  
9:30 AM - Membership meeting at the Sunapee Lake Lodge, 1403 Route 103, Newbury, NH

12:30 PM - Meet at the town dock in Sunapee Harbor, 1 Lake Avenue, Sunapee, NH, to board the M/V KEARSARGE. Departing promptly at 1:00 PM, this two-hour cruise will take us to view the three (3) lighthouses on the lake: Burkehaven Lighthouse, Loon Island Lighthouse, and Herrick Cove Lighthouse. The lighthouses are owned by the State of New Hampshire and are maintained by the Lake Sunapee Protective Association (LSPA). A member of the LSPA will be on board to narrate. U.S. Lighthouse Society Passport Stamps will be available on the cruise. A buffet lunch (included) will be served and a cash bar is also available. The boat entrance and the on-board restroom are wheelchair accessible.

**Sunday, May 31st**  
**BREAKFAST WITH ALLAN WOOD, PHOTOGRAPHER AND LIGHTHOUSE ENTHUSIAST**  
8:30 AM - Buffet breakfast at the Sunapee Lake Lodge, 1403 Route 103, Newbury, NH

9:30 AM - Our guest speaker, author and photographer, Allan Wood, completed a self-imposed goal to photograph all of the lighthouses in New England. He published two lighthouse tourism books and created a website, www.nellights.com, which contains a wealth of information, including directions and other area attractions. In addition, he published another book entitled, “New England Lighthouses: Famous Shipwrecks, Rescues and Other Tales”.

“The book provides an excellent accounting of some amazing slices of interesting lighthouse history, such as the famous lighthouse rescue dogs, maritime disasters, and, for the ghost lovers, a selection on haunted lighthouses. My personal favorite chapter is about former lighthouse keepers Paul and Helen Baptiste, who are two of the nicest true life lighthouse people that you can ever meet.” --Tim Harrison - Lighthouse Digest

There are many lodging options in the Lake Sunapee area. However, the Sunapee Lake Lodge and the Mountain Edge Resort & Spa have offered a discount of 15% to our members. The code to use when booking is "nell20" by calling and booking directly. Or, if you chose to book online, there is a space for the code to be entered on the reservation page. In either case, you need to use the code "nell20" in order to receive the 15% discount.

**SunapeeLakeLodge**  
1403 Route 103, Newbury, NH  
http://www.sunapeelakelodge.com/  
(603) 763-2010  
(800) 606-5253  
(Singleroomsandsuites)

**MountainEdgeResort&Spa**  
1380 Route 103, Newbury, NH  
http://www.mountainedgeresort.com/  
(603) 763-4600  
(877) 468-3343  
(Oneandtwo-bedroomsuites)

The cost for the weekend's events is $90.00 per person. Please inform me of your plans to attend and mail your check to:

Kathy Santucci
NELL  
38 Lime Kiln Road  
Tuckahoe, NY 10707

Further details, including NELL merchandise, fundraising and other areas of interest will be forthcoming!

Linda Sherlock, Secretary  
lms12356@gmail.com  
(617) 697-3325
### 2020 Lighthouse Challenge and Festival Dates

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Not all the noted websites have been updated yet to reflect the 2020 information. They are provided so that you will have the event date and website location information together.
TRAVEL CITY, MICH. -- The annual Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival will have an extra reason to celebrate this year, as it coincides with a big anniversary for an iconic Northern Michigan light.

The 2020 festival will not only commemorate the rich history of this region’s lighthouses, but also mark the 150th anniversary of Mission Point Lighthouse, located at the tip of Old Mission Peninsula in Traverse City.

This year’s festival will be held August 7 and 8.

The schedule includes both free and priced events, including a ticketed kick-off program, with a dinner, cash bar, and entertainment.

There will also be a free “Lighthouse MarketPlace” featuring authors, artists, photographers, and crafters, and the lighthouse will be open for self-guided tours. Festival details and ticket information can be found online here.

Mission Point Lighthouse began operating in September 1870 and was decommissioned in 1933. The lighthouse is now largely run by volunteers, and is home to a museum and gift shop, as well as a historic log cabin and miles of trails in the surrounding Lighthouse Park. The lighthouse is open May through October, and on weekends in November.

More information on Mission Point Lighthouse is online here.
Whitehead Light Station 2020 Programs

Exotic Chili Pepper Cuisine and Beer Pairing with Charlie Papazian  July 5-8, 2020
Farm to Fork Culinary Weekend  July 10-13, 2020
Wide Open Writing Men's Writing Retreat  July 23-28, 2020
Knitting with Mim Bird  Aug 14-19, 2020
September Knitters Retreat  Sept 10-15, 2020
Intermediate Blues Guitar  Sept 17-22, 2020

For more information:  https://www.whiteheadlightstation.org/programs.html

Happy Birthday to:
Bonnie Benford  3/09  MaryAnn Scroope  3/10  Lee Hall  3/22
Arlene Winkleman  4/07  Daniel Drogowski  4/14  Linda Shay  4/14

Anniversary Wishes to:
Jim & Irma Streeter  3/7
Walt & Laurel Mills  4/1
Please Note:

We are looking for **volunteers** who are interested in serving on committees, those who have good ideas for lighthouse preservation, fund raising, suggestions on improving the operations of the club, or just getting more involved. Please contact Henry Winkleman (617) 731-5181 or via e-mail: **wink8@mindspring.com**

**The Lighthouse Digest** – For each subscription, please use the form on the NELL website. Mail with check to Lighthouse Digest, ATTN: Kathleen Finnegan, P.O. Box 250, East Machias, ME 04630. Be sure to write NELL in the memo section of your check and NELL will receive $10.00 per subscription to go toward restoration and preservation of lighthouses.

If you know of a member that needs **some cheer, get well wishes, condolences or congratulations**, please let Cynthia Bosse - Sunshine Chair know at: **bossnjc@comcast.net** or call 1(860) 688-7347.

If you have any **knowledge of an upcoming event or news to share**, please send it to me: **chapterchatter@outlook.com**

All articles and information must be received by the 25th of the month prior to make the publication.

Please let me know your **birthday** (month & day only) and **anniversary** so I will be able to recognize you on your special day in our monthly Best Wishes section.