



NELL NEWS

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



TO NELL MEMBERS:

****** We thank Hilari Seery for the great job she did as Editor of Chapter Chatter and then Nell News. It was always very informative with interesting news articles from here and abroad. As she steps down, we wish her well in any new endeavors.

****** We thank Lee Hall for all he did as Vice President. He'll be missed.

****** Another thank you goes to the NELL members who took the time to present Zoom meetings of past trips they've taken. In June BOB TAYLOR showed his photos of a trip to South Africa. In July TOM PREGMAN presented an overview of a trip he & other NELL members from Connecticut took to California, Oregon & Washington, and in August JOHN DONOVAN showed a NELL Photo Album of trips taken from 2015 through 2020. Be looking for an announcement in September for a Zoom program of a trip to Greece by Bob Taylor and in October when Ron Foster will put on a Zoom program featuring the lighthouses of Hawaii taken on a USLHS tour. If you miss any of these presentations, they can be seen on NELL's Webpage shortly after they are given. Also - if anyone else has a 1-hour presentation they would like to share via ZOOM let President Henry at wink8@mindspring.com know and he will set it up.

****** We also thank Ellen Granoth & Hilari Seery who found and donated some of the lighthouse materials to Linda Sherlock who we also give a special thank you to for her time and talent to buy material, cut, make & sew the beautiful lighthouse masks used for the NELL fundraising project. There are only **15** masks still available for purchase - all monies collected go directly to LH Preservation. Let's sell out again. Check out the Website. www.newenglandlighthouseovers.org



What did you do on National Lighthouse Day?

That was the question asked of NELL members and here are the answers received.

Norm & Cyne Bosse shared history photos of their journeys to Wales/Isle of Man (impressive), the Maine coastline (WOW), Split Rock (amazing), New London Ledge (a ghost?), Block Island SW Light (great fund raiser), and Boston Harbor (awesome). They could add more but will save for another time..... interesting 2020 Lighthouse Day.

Roger & Colette Long were visiting Rockport, Mass for the week because their Connecticut house had no power. They could see Thacher Island from a 3rd floor deck and enjoyed a beautiful sunrise. Thacher is dear to their heart since a mother in law is descended from Anthony Thacher.



Chris Cardaci was missing her husband Tommy who has been gone one year as of 8-3. She also was finishing up an article for the NELL Beacon including photos that would be sent out later in the week.

Henry & Arlene Winkleman looked at their lighthouse playing cards and discovered they had seen 40 of the lights from the 52 cards.



Bob & Sharon Mills took a short drive up the coast of Maine and visited Pemaquid Point lighthouse/museum, took distant photos of Cuckolds Light where Sequin and Pond lights could be seen at a distance, stopped to see Hendrick's Head lighthouse and visited a cemetery around the corner where a former keeper was buried with a lighthouse shaped stone, went to Bailey's Island where Halfway Rock light could be seen at a distance, stopped to photograph the "bug" light and Spring Point Ledge light in So. Portland and ended at Two Lights park in Cape Elizabeth.



As the new editor, I thought it would be nice to get to know some of the NELL members better and have started with the Board of Directors. So, I asked our President Henry Winkleman some questions about his life and lighthouse history. This is what I found out. Henry has been retired for 7 years, but was Vice President, in-house legal counsel, and corporate tax manager and Corporate secretary for a small American Stock Exchange company before he retired. His interest in lighthouses started in the late 1990's when he bought his first Harbour Light -



Thomas Point Shoal as a Chanukah gift for his wife while he was in Solvang, California where he was visiting his son at the University of So. California for a football game. He knew when he saw the replica that it was something he & his wife could be interested in collecting together. He was a collector at heart and Arlene and he loved to visit the coastlines and take photographic images. What a better way than to visit lighthouses. Although behind in his official count, Henry guesses they have seen over 400 lights from Canada, England, Spain, Israel and many US states including Alaska & Hawaii and the West coast.

He is one of the Charter members of NELL. I asked what his favorite lighthouse was and was told he loved the red lighthouse "Big Red" in Holland, Michigan.



He & Arlene visited Holland the year Harbour Lights went to Mackinaw Island. Unfortunately the lighthouse was about 30 yards away and 40 miles to get to touch it. They were on one side of the channel and the lighthouse was on the other.

When asked if there was anything else he'd like to share he said: "I am happy to keep the lighthouse traditions of NELL alive and well. We do need to grow this

organization if it is going to survive. Please promote our programs on any media in your city or town. Post our programs on your Facebook page, Instagram, or whatever you use. Send out announcements to local online newspapers. Offer to teach a class on Lighthouses to your local high school, adult education classes or community group. Any thoughts you have on how we can reach more people would greatly be appreciated."

OTHER LIGHTHOUSE NEWS

Maine Open Lighthouse day which was to take place on September 12 of 2020 is on HOLD this year and will be held Saturday, September 11, 2021.

Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival - CANCELED

Annual Apostle Island Lighthouse Celebration- CANCELED but daily Apostle Island Cruises are taking place.

Door County Fall Lighthouse Festival - still on Oct 3-4 see www.dcm.org

New Jersey Lighthouse Challenge - still on Oct 17-18 see

<http://www.njlhs.org/other/otherevents.html>

Some of these change as time goes on - so check with websites frequently.

Many of you already belong to the USLHS (United States Lighthouse Society) and receive their podcasts (authored by Jeremy D'Entremont) and see their Zoom meetings of past tours, belong to the lighthouse Passport Club etc. but if you aren't familiar with them and especially the website which provides an abundance of lighthouse news, I encourage you to check them out at www.uslhs.org.



We send GET WELL wishes to Ron Foster who underwent shoulder replacement surgery on August 12. He returned home the next day and is recuperating.

We also hope Ellen Granoth will recover quickly from a knee replacement.

We welcome new members that have joined after July :

Adam Winkleman of Washington, DC & Sara Winkleman Greene of Florida

We send CONGRATULATIONS to David & Jessica Schulman who became grandparents to Elias Schulman on July 7. Isn't he adorable?





HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Dot Black	9/02	Tim Harrison	9/03	Tom Kenworthy	9/06
Ann Solaequ	9/13	Marcia DeClerk	9/16	Lee Benford	9/18
Bob Scroope	9/22				
Christine Cardaci	10/06	Anthony Savino	10/12	Jessica Schulman	10/17
Tom Pregman	10/22	Frank Carbone	10/30		



wishes to:

Rabbi Avi & Sara Greene	9/01	Bob & Lynne Kerber	9/02	Herb & Tracie Carpenter	10/07
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We send a VERY SPECIAL belated 50th Anniversary wish to CHRIS & MARIA ALEX who celebrated this Big day on July 11th. We hope you will have many more happy years together.

Please Note:

The position of Vice President is now open. This BOD position also oversees NELL trips. Please consider stepping up to help. We are also 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 at smills8839@aol.com. All articles and information must be received by the 20th of the prior month 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.

Final words from your Editor:

As you can see, as in the past when the Editor of the NELL NEWS changed hands, the personality of the newsletter also changed. I will do my best to bring current news to the membership and keep the newsletter interesting but I am a bit technically challenged so I hope you will understand as I learn to navigate. I have a couple of ideas for new regular segments and hope anyone will feel free to offer suggestions or corrections or send articles to be included in the newsletter. My position may be Editor, but the NELL NEWS is your (the members) newsletter.

Sincerely,
Sharon Mills

HAPPY LABOR DAY!



HAPPY AUTUMN!!