





NELL NEWS 2023 SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER



NELL FALL EVENT – SEPTEMBER 8-10 HUDSON RIVER, NY



August 2023

This is just a reminder to those who wish to sign up for the NELL Fall Event, which is taking place on the Hudson River in New York. The final headcount is needed by August 31st (next week). If you haven't already done so, please contact me if you wish to attend.

On Saturday morning, September 9th, we're taking a boat trip from the Hudson River Maritime Museum in Kingston to view and climb Rondout Lighthouse. In the afternoon, we will be taking another boat trip from Hudson to view and climb Hudson-Athens Lighthouse.

Our membership meeting will be held on Sunday morning, September 10th, in New Paltz. Along with regular business, elections for Board positions will take place at the meeting. Mr. & Ms. NELL for 2023-24 will also be announced at the meeting.

Several members have graciously volunteered to be nominated to serve for open positions as follows:

Arlene Winkleman - President
Sherri Roberts - Vice President
Linda Sherlock - Secretary (agreed to serve another term)
Kathy Santucci - Treasurer (agreed to serve another term)
Director at Large - Anthony Savino
Bob Mills has volunteered to serve on the Preservation Committee.

Please reach me or Henry Winkleman if you wish to be nominated for an opening on the Board, or would like to volunteer for a committee position. Nominations will also be welcomed during the meeting. YOU DO NOT need to attend to run or be nominated for a position.

Ellen and Bob Granoth are having custom printed, long-sleeve T-shirts made for this event. Please see the photos below. The Fresnel logo and NELL will be printed on the left side chest. Three (3) colors are available; Carolina Blue, Sport Gray, and Red. If you'd like to order a specific color and/or size, please reach Ellen directly at (203) 437-1663, or ellenlg@sbcglobal.net. Some T-shirts will be available for purchase at the meeting but, to be sure you get the color and size you'd prefer, please place your order with Ellen as soon as possible.

Stay tuned for information regarding an exciting fundraising project that is being spearheaded by Ellen Granoth. Some big-ticket items, including boat tours, overnight or weekend stays at lighthouses, accommodations, and more will be available to bid on, beginning at this fall event and running through to the spring. You will be very surprised when you see the items going up for bid!

If you have any items you wish to donate to a silent auction at the meeting, please bring them with you, along with a note naming the item(s) and starting bid(s). Sandy Peterson and Debbie Brew thank you in advance.

A more detailed schedule with times of the boat trips and GPS addresses will be forthcoming for those who are attending.

See you soon!

Linda Sherlock Secretary New England Lighthouse Lovers, Inc. (NELL) (617) 697-3325



















Remember NELL Membership needs to be renewed by the end of December to attend this event.

Other NELL Members have also been visiting other lighthouses.

Sherry Roberts, Jim Malone and Bob Lilly visited Baker Island on a rainy and foggy TUESDAY, JUNE 27 – Bar Harbor Whale Watch's first trip to the island this year.













Bob & Sharon Mills took a trip to Baker Island on Thursday, August 10. It turned out the be a perfect day with the weather and the Park Ranger who was the tour guide was none other than Maribeth, who had led the NELL trip. See a few different photos below:







Left side of the Keeper's House

Also visited while in Maine were Grindle Point Lighthouse on Islesboro Island across from Lincolnville



A visit to Swan Island to see & tour tower at Burnt Coat Harbor Lighthouse



Visit to Dyce Head Lighthouse in Castine







Another photo on inside of oil house A trip to Fort Point Lighthouse



View of Prostpect Harbor Lighthouse



View of Pumpkin Island Lighthouse from Little Deer Island



The USLHS sponsored a special event for National Lighthouse Day, August 7 that was held all over the United States at various lighthouses. A contest was held where people were to record themselves or others dancing to a specially written song by Joe Rivers called "Meet Me at the Lighthouse" and send the recording to USLHS for cash prizes. I was privileged to join a group of girls who are learning how to do Irish dancing at McDonough-Grimes Irish Dance in Dover, NH along with some of the Board of Portsmouth Harbor Lighthouses for this event that took place at the Portsmouth Harbor Lighthouse on Saturday, August 5. Here are a few photos from this event.









The winning entries from the event along with all the videos are available on USLHS News – click below to see the creative dances some of the lighthouse groups created. The girls in the first 3 photos won a special Youth award for their dancing.

National Lighthouse Day Dance Contest Winners – U.S. Lighthouse Society News



Gary Zunda Ann Solaequi	9/02 9/13	Dot Black	9/02	Tom Kenworthy Bob Scroope	9/06 9/22
Tony Allen	10/06	Christine Cardaci Tom Pregman	10/06	Anthony Savino	10/12
Jessica Schulman	10/17		10/22	Frank Carbone	10/30



Rabbi Avi & Sara Green	e 9/01	Bob & Denise Seifel	9/08
Jean & Gary Zunda	10/01 Larry & Anne Rhine	Herb & Tracie Carpenter 10/18	10/07



HEALING AND SPEEDY RECOVERY

For any NELL members who are having continuing health issues, or a cold, flu, covid, etc. during the end of summer and fall season we hope you will feel better soon.

NELL Membership in particular and the LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY in general have had a difficult couple of months with the number of "special" people who's fight in this life was ended.





NELL MEMBERSHIP sends our thoughts & prayers with Sympathy to:

Darlene and family of Past NELL Member who is well known in the LH community, TOM CHISHOLM, who died on June 30th after returning home from a LH trip to Iceland.

Hilary and family of long-time member of NELL, JIM SEERY, who died July 2.

Kathy and the family of long-time member of NELL, leader in the lighthouse community, past owner of Lighthouse Depot, Editor of Lighthouse Digest, Creator and past President of ALF (American Lighthouse Foundation), author of many books concerning lighthouse history and friend to many, TIM HARRISON, who died on August 19.

It has also come to our attention that past lighthouse keeper with the Coast Guard, writer of book "Lighthouse Keeping", painter of all the lighthouses in Maine after his retirement, who was also a "special guest" when NELL visited and climbed Monhegan Island on June 9 of 2007, ERNIE DeRAPS, died on July 4.

Click on link for his Obit:

Obituary: Ernest Gregory DeRaps

NE.L.L. Labeled Merchandise



When NELL incorporated a few years ago our logo changed a bit and I think it's time for us to start to transfer over to it by offering a new selection of items embroidered with this new logo. Many of us have been wearing the same things for several years and they are probably starting to show their age.





We'll be doing things a bit differently this time around. Instead of ordering a selection of products and sizes for Ellen to schlep around each time we meet each item will now be special ordered. Generally, it takes approx two weeks to process an order. I will have to charge for shipping because, well because. You know how it is.

There is an online catalog – it can also be downloaded; easier to read that way - so you can see what's available. Pricing is a bit up in the air since, like all good wholesalers, prices are not listed in the catalog. NELL will tack on a \$10 premium since we are using this as a way to raise funds for preservation. Shipping, if needed, as well. Payments made through PayPal would require a PayPal fee added to the total also.

To avoid PayPal fees check payments can be mailed directly to me.



So please check it out. The first few pages let you know where the particular item you are looking for can be located; sweatshirts, tees, etc.

Any questions – email me at **nellmembership@mail.com** or you can call my home at **401 433-2506.**

Be sure to leave a message and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.

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Exciting New NELL Fundraiser

Your own personalized NELL Tumbler

Through her efforts, Sandy Peterson, our co-fundraising chair, has found someone who can make personalized NELL Tumblers in 7 different colors. (See below). Each Tumbler will have the NELL logo on one side and a name of your choice on the opposite side. Whether you buy them for yourself or family and friends as a gift, Sandy says these Tumblers are great for keeping your beverages hot or cold for long time. Sandy loves hers and so will you. While NELL does not make much money on this venture, we wanted to offer a unique item of value to you, while still raising funds for Preservation.

These Tumblers are customized one at a time. As such it takes 30 days to cure the Tumbler's colors, logo and name. All this is being done by one person.

We will deliver the Tumblers free of charge to the Hot Chocolate, Lighthouse and you trip in January, wherever that may be. The rest will be mailed to you through the USPS at an additional charge.

The Tumblers are \$32.00 each. If you decide to use PayPal on the website, the cost is \$33.50 each. If you choose to have the Tumbler mailed, the cost will be an additional \$9.00 per Tumbler. If the cost to mail more than one Tumbler is much less, we will refund you the difference. Deliveries should begin in late September or October other than those made for the NY trip.

At the bottom of the PayPal order on our webpage, there will be a choice of delivery or pickup. If pickup is selected, a code will be revealed that the user will type into the coupon code box and hit apply. That will delete the shipping charge regardless of how many Tumblers are ordered. Do not worry, if you do this incorrectly, we will refund any payments that were made by mistake. Just send me an email or call 781-820-9977.

Make your checks payable to New England Lighthouse Lovers, Inc. and mail them to

Henry Winkleman 99 Marion St. Apt 1 Brookline, MA. 02446

Please email your order to wink8@mindspring.com if you are paying with a check.



HERE are your choices of colors. But first is Sandy's off white Tumbler

OTHER COLORS AVAILABLE

Red Light Blue Dark Blue Black Gray Green



Membership News

A big NELL welcome to Karen LaPLante, our newest member from Rochester MA.



Souvenir opportunity from past trip to Ladies Delight LH in Maine

For any members that were not able to get a Lake Cobboseecontee (Ladies' Delight LH) souvenir last year when we visited and climbed the light in Maine, this might interest you.

Bob Lilly let me know he finally got his Lake Cobbosseecontee souvenir. They are available through the

Winthrop Maine Historical Society PO Box 33

Winthrop, ME 04364

Contact is Mary Richards winthropmainehistorical@gmail.com
They sell for around \$15 plus mailing cost.
Best to contact Mary for exact cost.



The Cobbosseecontee Lake Association also has their on line store up and is loaded with tees, hoodies and jackets. Find their clothes under the shop tab.

VARIOUS LIGHTHOUSE NEWS

As editor I try to keep up to date on TOURS and OPEN LIGHTHOUSES ETC., BUT I CAN USE **YOUR** HELP. If you know of an upcoming event or OPEN LIGHTHOUSE, please e-mail me at SMills8839@aol.com or Henry at Hwink29@gmail.com so the rest of our members can be informed.

Here is a listing of some upcoming Lighthouse Events. Unfortunately a couple of them are taking place the same weekend as our NELL FALL TRIP.

Maine Open Lighthouse Day

September 9 Maine Open Lighthouse Day – American Lighthouse Foundation

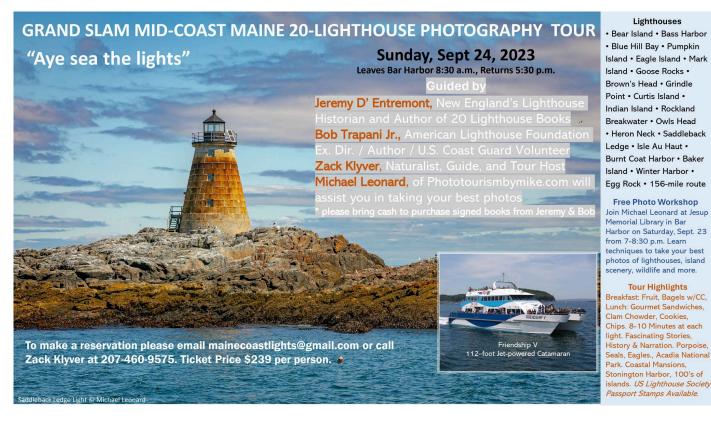
Toledo Lighthouse Waterfront Festival
September 9-10 Toledo Harbor Lighthouse Society | Oregon, OH 43616

Lighthouse Challenge of New Jersey

October 21–22 <u>Lighthouse Challenge of New Jersey – Chesapeake Chapter U.S.L.H.S.</u>

The **Marshall Point Lighthouse** in Maine went dark when it was struck by lightning last month (July) fortunately the light has been restored and is again shining.

Popular Maine lighthouse shines again after being damaged by lightning strike | WPFO



A special dedication service was held at the Nubble Lighthouse in Cape Neddick, Maine which was attended by Family & friends of the late Barbara Finnemore – who was the last child to be born at the lighthouse. A Bench has been placed facing the lighthouse, dedicated in her honor, so those who sit there will be looking at the room upstairs that she occupied during her time there.







Several Board positions are open. 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: Again I wish to thank anyone who has given me permission to use photos they took, members who have sent articles and information about lighthouse events, and others who have helped make this YOUR Newsletter. Articles and suggestions are always welcome. Sharon Mills





