



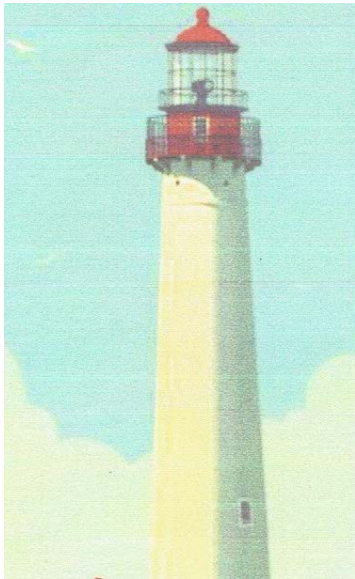
# NELL NEWS

**MEMORIAL DAY & FLAG DAY**

**MAY/JUNE 2022**

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING at least 43, who are signed up for the FUN in



## CAPE MAY, New Jersey

**MAY 13th – 15th 2022**

Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> 8:00 P.M. Meeting at Days Inn Suites  
located at the corner of Ocean & Andrew's Avenues  
4610 Ocean Avenue, Wildwood, New Jersey 08260

Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M. for the  
**Grand Lighthouse Cruise**

On board Cape May Whale Watcher

The address is : 1218 Wilson Drive, Cape May, NJ 08204

**Plan to arrive no later than 9:30am as boat leaves promptly at 10am**

A narrated history of each of NINE (9) Lighthouses to include Brandywine Shoal, Fourteen Foot Shoal, Miah Maul Shoal, Cross ledge Shoal, Elbow of Cross ledge, Ship John Shoal, Inner Breakwater in Delaware, Outer Breakwater in Delaware, and Cape May

Cash bar for sodas, bottled water, hot coffee, cocoa, ice cream, wine, draft beer and cocktails.

Included Breakfast buffet consisting of Danish, Fresh Fruit, Donuts, Toasted Bagels, Coffee/Juice.

Included Captain's Lunch Buffet including Shrimp Cocktail, Fried Chicken, Finger Sandwiches, Wraps, Potato Salad, Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salad, Cheese and Pepperoni with Spreads and Crackers, Fresh Fruit and Dip, Fresh Vegetables and Dip, and a Signature Chocolate and Vanilla Lighthouse Cake.

**If you did not sign up for the trip, but still want to go THERE IS STILL SPACE  
Get in touch with Ellen Granoth ASAP at 203-437-1663 or [ellenlg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ellenlg@sbcglobal.net)**

You should have already received an e-mail from Henry about this LH hunt on Staten Island. It takes place Sunday May 15 (all day) the day after the NELL Cape May cruise: This would be on your own not NELL sponsored.

[Great Staten Island Lighthouse Hunt - National Lighthouse Museum](#)



**NELL  
AUGUST  
EVENT  
AUGUST  
26-28, 2022**



**BAR HARBOR AND WINTHROP, MAINE**

I am well into planning our next NELL event for **August 26-28, 2022**, in **Bar Harbor, Maine**, along with a trip to **Ladies Delight Lighthouse in Winthrop, Maine**. A preliminary agenda follows.

I have spent hours researching accommodations with reasonable rates that will block rooms. The three (3) suggestions (see pdf link below) are near activities on our agenda and are all in the same area on Eden Street. The **Island Explorer, a free shuttle, makes stops every ½ hour (early morning) and every ¼ hour (remainder of the day) at these places**. I recommend that you take the shuttle to Bar Harbor Whale Watch on Saturday morning, or whenever going downtown, as parking can be difficult. The shuttle is wheelchair accessible.

Please explore these or other places for accommodations that suit your needs. No matter where you choose to stay, I advise you to reserve as soon as possible and be mindful of cancellation policies. Bar Harbor is a prime vacation spot and lodging sells out quickly

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<http://www.acadiasunrisemotel.com/>

**PRELIMINARY AGENDA**

**REMEMBER: Times, dates and events may be subject to change, as usual.**

**Friday – August 26<sup>th</sup>**

Acadian Boat Tours – Sunset Cruise to view four lighthouses

**Saturday – August 27<sup>th</sup>**

Bar Harbor Whale Watch – Cruise to Baker Island to view (and possibly climb) Lighthouse  
Annul membership meeting at the Atlantic Oceanside Hotel and Event Center

**Sunday – August 28<sup>th</sup>**

View and climb Ladies Delight Lighthouse, outside of Augusta

The cost of the weekend's events is not finalized, but I estimate it to be \$150.00 +/- per person. I will provide a detailed agenda and the coast as soon as possible. Further instructions will follow.

Be reminded that YOU are responsible for your own accommodations. I urge you to make reservations sooner rather than later.

**Hope to see you in Cape May, New Jersey in a couple weeks!**

Linda Sherlock

Secretary

[Lms12356@gmail.com](mailto:Lms12356@gmail.com)

(617) 697-3325



Adam Winkleman	5/26			MaryAnn Clark	5/27
Amy Winner	6/06	Frank DePasquale	6/10	Irma Streeter	6/16
Walt Mills	6/24			Ellen Granoth	6/28



Bill & Odette Kent	5/01			Tony & Linda Allen	5/06
Bob & Sharon Mills	5/09			Bob & MaryAnn Scroope	5/28
Tom & Arlene Pregman	6/21			Henry & Arlene Winkleman	6/29



We send well wishes to Tim Harrison, recovering from surgery and ongoing health issues.

We remember Graham Meddings as he deals with a health problem.

If any other members are having health issues, cold, flu, covid, etc. we also hope you will be better soon.



Dear NELL Member,

You may be aware that NELL has a Project HOPE, whereby NELL members volunteer to perform physical labor as a group at a particular lighthouse in need of help. HOPE stands for Hands On Preservation Efforts. In the past NELL has performed work on Pemaquid Lighthouse in Bristol, ME; New London Ledge Lighthouse and Avery Point Lighthouse in Groton, CT; Rockland Breakwater Lighthouse in Rockland, ME; and Long Point Lighthouse in Provincetown, MA, to name a few. Below you will find several photos of the Long Point Project HOPE that took place in 2006 and also photos from Pemaquid Point project HOPE in Maine that took place June 23-30 of 2002.

It has been awhile since NELL did a Project HOPE, due in part to the recent pandemic, but there is a possibility that we will soon start up again.

We want to build a list of NELL members who may be interested in joining one of these expeditions. Sort of a pool of members to contact should the need arise.

On the next page after the photos is a form with questions that need to be filled out. If interested please fill out the form and save it. Email your completed form to Ron Foster at: [ronfosterphoto@gmail.com](mailto:ronfosterphoto@gmail.com) This way you will be contacted as soon as the opportunity to be part of a NELL HOPE group arises. It will be up to you at that time to decide if you are available to help at that particular time and place.

Keeping the Flame Alive,  
Ron



**Alan Els & Bob Kerber painting the railings black**



**Alan Els at top of LH**

**Lighthouse in need of paint**



**Nice paint job so far**



**Alan Els paints front door**



**Lynne Kerber finishes around base**



**Bob Kerber scrapes peeling paint from oil house & Linda Speece (in red) works on side**



**Bob uses a roller to paint parapet black**



**Lynne paints NELL 2006**



**Jim walker cooks lunch for the crew.**



**A completed tower stands proud with a new paint job.**



**Holding the NELL Banner (L to R): Kneeling Jim Walker and Hilari Seery; Standing Tom Kenworthy, Bob Kerber, Lynne Kerber, Reg Kitching, Linda Speece, Ron Foster, Alan Els, Bob Trapani (not in picture is Mo Kitching who did the cooking back at Race Point Lighthouse where we stayed).**



The following photos were shared by Tom Pregman from the Project Hope taken at Pemaquid Point Lighthouse in Bristol, Maine. Participants were Tom & Arlene Pregman and Ron Foster and was one of the first projects NELL did. They stayed overnight at Hotel Pemaquid and worked during the day. This was an ALF project that NELL people worked on. Joe Leberz (VP of ALF) set the workers up with ladders, paint, lumber, etc. They painted the exterior of the tower and built a nice wooden wall in the entryway of the tower. Tom says "Late access to a site you are working on allows for images you would not otherwise get to see !!" (refers to last photo of light being reflected in water after dark)



Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

City/Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Email address to contact you \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any restrictions that may limit you from physical work? YES or NO

Are you able to paint with a brush/roller (i.e. walls, trim, ceiling, etc.)? YES or NO

Do you have any skills such as carpentry, plumbing, electrical, other? Please list.

Are you willing to cook/make meals for a small crew of volunteers? YES or NO

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for a NELL Project HOPE, please, copy, paste and fill in the requested information into an email and send it to Ron Foster:

[ronfosterphoto@gmail.com](mailto:ronfosterphoto@gmail.com)

Or send it vis USPS to Ron Foster, 555 Shennecossett Rd., Groton, CT 06340

## REMEMBER TO KEEP HELPING NELL FUNDRAISE WHILE SHOPPING

Keep supporting the fundraising efforts of New England Lighthouse Lovers when shopping on Amazon.

It's easy!

1. Sign into your Amazon account using the website: smile.amazon.com
2. Select New England Lighthouse Lovers as your charitable organization
3. Shop as you usually do!

Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible Smile.Amazon.com purchases to the charitable organization you chose.

Smile.Amazon.com is the same as Amazon.com – Same products, same prices, same service. But to generate donations you must shop at smile.amazon.com.

Spread the word to your family and friends to help support NELL. Shop at smile.amazon.com whenever you shop online. Thank you for your support!

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## Various Lighthouse News

### Lighthouse tours return for season

**MATTAPOISETT — Tours of Ned's Point Lighthouse, 50 Neds Point Road, will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. alternate Saturdays, from May 7 to Oct. 15.**

The tours are run by United States Coast Guard Flotilla 63 of Marion.

Flags are placed at Ned's Point Lighthouse in advance of seasonal tours. Photo by: Sandy Quadros Bowles



**Scituate Lighthouse in Massachusetts set to have town vote about repairs/restoration:**



[Scituate Lighthouse: Will Town Meeting act to restore this icon?](#)

**Click below to read about staying at Rose Island LH in Rhode Island**

[Have An Adventure When You Stay At This Lighthouse In Rhode Island](#)





If you want to see Pomham Rocks lighthouse with the inside restored and the Fresnel lens on display sign up for a tour here:

[Pomham Rocks Lighthouse Tour | Friends of Pomham Rocks Lighthouse](#)



**Warwick, RI Conimicut lighthouse getting grant.** (photo provided by Jeremy D'Entremont)

[Warwick Wins \\$775K Grant for Conimicut Lighthouse - WarwickPost.com](#)



Work on the Harbor of Refuge lighthouse that we will see on the Cape May tour is set to have a work party the Day we'll be passing it.

[Foundation sets first lighthouse restoration work party May 14 | Cape Gazette](#)

Here is an article about Vermont lights and owners Rob Clark & his Mom, Claire, of Windmill Point and Isle au Mott lights that NELL visited a couple years ago:



<https://suncommunitynews.com/news/96636/keepers-of-the-lights-mother-son-maintain-lighthouses-on-lake-champlain-conclusion/>



**Door County Spring Lighthouse Festival – June 10-12**

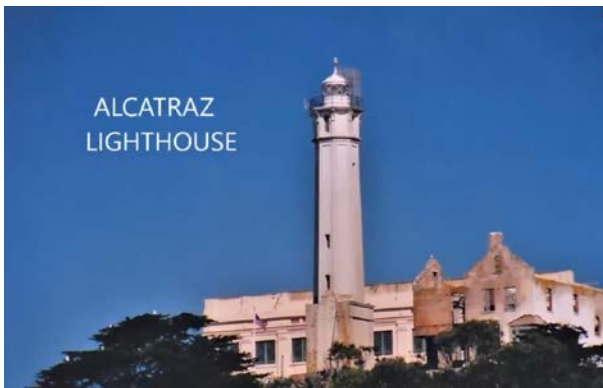
[Spring 2022 Door County Lighthouse Festival - Door County Maritime Museum](#)

[Door County Tickets | 2022 Spring Lighthouse Festival](#)

Do any other NELL members who have attended NELL trips keep the button/pins that are created by Bob Taylor and depict one or more lights that we visit? Has anyone come up with a unique way to display them? If so, please let the Editor of this publication (Sharon Mills) know so the ideas can be shared with the membership. Recently I decided to do something other than keep mine in a box, so I had my husband Bob drill a hole in the middle top of them and used them as tree ornaments on a small Christmas tree with only lighthouse ornaments on it.



The NELL Board member who is being highlighted this month is Ron Bando. He is the Chairman of the Nominating committee. He worked for an engineering company as a Design Supervisor for 36 years. Ron's wife, Pat, & he became interested in lighthouses in early 1994 while taking a trip out on the west coast from San Francisco, California to Vancouver, Canada. While visiting Alcatraz, Pat found & bought a book in the gift shop called "Sentinels of Solitude" which started their lighthouse hunting. They saw most of the lighthouses on the East Coast and West Coast along with the Michigan and Alaska lighthouses.



Pat passed away in 2015 after they had been on 12 USLHS tours. Combined with that Ron has been on 25 USLHS tours and has seen 3500 + lighthouses. In recent years Ron has roomed with NELL member Bob Taylor on many international trips. He has been to Canada, England, Puerto Rico, Iceland, Bahamas, Norway, Finland, Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Germany, France, New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Scotland, Greece, Croatia, Italy, Netherlands, Wales, Portugal, Corsica, Chile, and Antarctica.

Ron & Pat joined NELL in February of 2001 and Ron was VP for three years. Ron belongs to seven lighthouse groups along with NELL. His favorite lighthouse is Sandy Hook in New Jersey since he gave tours there for about 5 years.



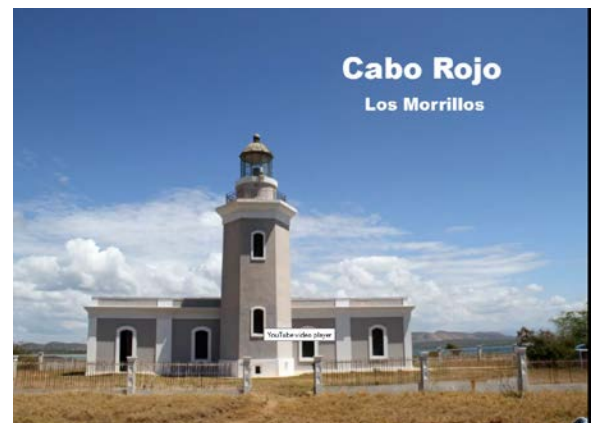


Included below are photographs taken by Bob Taylor of various lighthouses on some of the international USLHS tours.

**This first group of photos were taken in 2018 on a trip to South Africa. Listed in the order the photos are placed: Green Point Lighthouse, In courtyard at prison where Nelson Mandella was kept, Cape Columbine Lighthouse, and finally on a boat in front of Roman Rock Lighthouse.**

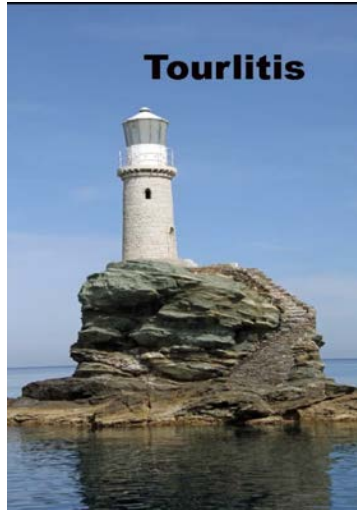


**This next group of photos were taken in March of 2013 on a trip to Puerto Rico. Again in order they are: El Morro Lighthouse, Punta Figuras Lighthouse and Cobo Rojo Lighthouse.**





The photos below are from a trip to Greece from May 21-June 6 in 2019. They have the name of the lighthouses on the photos.



The last photo above and the following are of lights in Croatia from June 6-19 in 2019 and the last photo is a lighthouse in Italy from this same trip. The photo above is of Sveti Andrija Lighthouse and the first photo below is of Grebeni Lighthouse. On the third photo below you can see Ron outside the lantern room of Sestrice Lighthouse.



## Membership News

There are no new members to report this time - not especially odd for this time of year but with the new and different tours we have planned for 2022 this would be a good time to go try again to recruit someone new. If you know of some former members go and ask them if they would like to return.

Since our reincorporating as a stand-alone entity NELL has been working very hard coming up with new and different trips, Ellen Granoth has been working on new and different (and relevant) merchandise, and Me? I'm standing on my head trying to encourage renewals and newbies. It's not a becoming position, believe me!

If each of us could come up with **J**ust **O**ne new member our numbers could return to what they were in the past. Imagine the events we could plan knowing there would be enough participants to bring down the cost for all of us!

I know I can count on you, right? Jean Zunda, Membership



**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_ MM/DD Anniversary \_\_\_\_ MM/DD  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_  
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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell phone(S):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Type** check one

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Junior Members** (ages 6 through 17)..... **\$10.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Individual** (one adult age 18+)..... **\$20.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Dual** (2 adults living in same household, age 18+)..... **\$30.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Family** (1 or 2 adults age 18+ and children through age 17)..... **\$40.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Life Individual** (one adult age 18+)..... **\$500.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Life Dual** (2 adults living in same household, age 18+)..... **\$800.00**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Business, Corporation, Organization Membership Dues**..... **\$50.00**

Make checks payable to NELL  
and send to:

**NELL**  
**1 Princeton Ave**  
**Riverside RI 02915-2632**

Payment made also be made through PayPal at [newenglandlighthouse lovers.org](http://newenglandlighthouse lovers.org)  
 PayPal account not necessary to complete the transaction.



**Please Note:**

The position of Vice President is still 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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:** 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

**ON MEMORIAL DAY**

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL

