



we're so glad you're here!

Light News with NELL



NELL WINTER TRIP

Unfortunately, our winter trip was cancelled due to weather. So, here is what we missed! (photos courtesy of Sherri Roberts)

Highland Light, Truro, MA

The Highland Light is an active lighthouse on the Cape Cod National Seashore in North Truro, Massachusetts. The current tower was erected in 1857, replacing two earlier towers that had been built in 1797 and 1831. It is the oldest and tallest lighthouse on Cape Cod

NAUSET LIGHT. EASTAM, MA



IN 1838, THREE BRICK LIGHTHOUSES SERVED AS AIDS TO NAVIGATION OFF THE NAUSET BEACH SHORES IN EASTHAM ON CAPE COD; THESE LIGHTS WERE REPLACED BY THREE WOODEN TOWERS IN 1892. THE FORTY-EIGHT-FOOT-TALL, BRICK-LINED, CAST-IRON CHATHAM TOWER, ORIGINALLY BUILT IN 1877, WAS DISMANTLED, HAULED UP THE CAPE, AND REBUILT ATOP A CEMENT FOUNDATION 200 FEET FROM THE CLIFF'S EDGE AT NAUSET BEACH. TO PROVIDE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR THE KEEPERS OF THE RELOCATED CAST-IRON TOWER, THE 1876 DWELLING BUILT FOR THE THREE SISTERS WAS RELOCATED FARTHER AWAY FROM THE EDGE OF THE BLUFF. THE CLIFF CONTINUED TO FALL INTO THE SEA OVER TIME AND THE LIGHTHOUSE AND DWELLING WERE MOVED AGAIN IN THE 1990S.

THREE SISTERS, EASTAM, MA



AN 1836 PETITION BY EASTHAM RESIDENTS CONCERNED ABOUT LOVED ONES AT SEA CAUSED THE BOSTON MARINE SOCIETY TO RECOMMEND TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NAUSET LIGHTS. CONGRESS GRANTED \$10,000, AND THE CONTRACT WAS AWARDED TO WINSLOW LEWIS, THE LOWEST BIDDER AT \$6549.

THREE 15-FOOT HIGH MASONRY TOWERS WERE BUILT. THE LIGHTS SOON GAINED THE NICKNAME "THE THREE SISTERS" BECAUSE FROM SEA THEY LOOKED LIKE WOMEN IN WHITE DRESSES WITH BLACK HATS.

**Don't despair, NELL already has a spring trip in the works!
Save The DATE! May 10 - 11 (update from Sherri)**

Here's the PLAN (so far)

Saturday, May 10- Portland Head will be at 10am. Followed by Portland Breakwater and Spring Point at 1pm.

Meeting afterwards at [Best Western Mery Manor, 700 Main Street, South Portland](#)

Sunday, May 11: Cape Elizabeth East Light at 9am, followed by West Light at 10am. The lights will be open for climbing.

This event will be priced as a Saturday, or a Sunday, or both days combined. You may sign up for either day or both days. It will not be priced separately within a day.

ROOM INFORMATION:

[Pride Motel and Cottages 677 US I Scarborough, ME 04074](#)

Call 207-883-4816, mention NELL rooms reserved. \$90-110 depending on Room. 5 rooms reserved

[Quality Inn & Suites 738 Main Street South Portland, ME 04106](#)

Call front desk,
207-774-5891

mention The NELL Meeting, \$119 10 rooms reserved

[Best western Merry Manor, 700 Main St South Portland, ME](#)

Call front desk, mention NELL 207-774-6151
\$119, 10 rooms reserved (4 rooms with 2 Queens and 6 rooms with 1 king)

Light News Around New England

[HTTPS://WBZNEWSRADIO.IHEART.COM/CONTENT/A-LIGHTHOUSE-HISTORY-AT-THE-CUSTOM-HOUSE-MARITIME-MUSEUM-IN-NEWBURYPORT](https://wbznewsradio.iheart.com/content/a-lighthouse-history-at-the-custom-house-maritime-museum-in-newburyport)

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[HTTPS://WWW.GOLOCALPROV.COM/NEWS/HISTORIC-LIGHTHOUSE-GOES-ON-THE-MARKET-FOR-1.1-MILLION](https://www.golocalprov.com/news/historic-lighthouse-goes-on-the-market-for-1.1-million)

NELL SHOUTOUTS

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO ALL THOSE WHO CELEBRATED
ANOTHER YEAR AROUND THE SUN DURING JANUARY,
FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2025**

**SPEEDY RECOVERY TO ALL WHO HAVE BEEN SICK DURING
THESE WINTER MONTHS! SPRING IS ON THE WAY!**

**DID YOU CELEBRATE A SPECIAL DAY OR ANNIVERSARY?
CONGRATULATIONS FROM ALL OF US AT NELL!**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE PERSONALLY RECOGNIZED IN OUR
NEXT NEWSLETTER (JUNE, 2025) PLEASE DROP ME AN EMAIL
AT EWATSON820@GMAIL.COM**

DON'T FORGET - GET OUTSIDE AND TAKE A LIGHTHOUSE TRIP!

Here's a great way to see offshore lights by Land! (courtesy of Sherri Roberts)

Maine Off Shore lights seen from Shore

by Sherri Roberts

1. Petit Manan- Maine Coastal Islands Refuge, Hollingsworth Trail, 1.5 miles
2. Little River- Western Head Preserve Trailhead about 3 miles
3. Moose Island- Great Wass Island Conservancy 4.5 round trip hike
4. Libby Island- Rogue Bluffs State Park and Jasper Beach
5. Boon- Nubble Lighthouse parking lot
6. Halfway Rock- Baileys Island at Lands End Gift Shop
7. Nash- Cape Split (private Property) Cape Circle Dr. It was foggy the day I was there, so not confirmed.
8. Narraguagus – possible private property on Great Wass Island. Talked to owner he said yes, but it was foggy that day and he did not invite us in or back.
9. Baker- Acadia, top of Cadillac Mountain.
10. Winter Harbor- top of Cadillac Mountain and Schoodic Loop Rd.
11. Egg Rock- view from top of Cadillac Mountain and Schooner Head Overlook.
12. Great Duck Island- Bass Head Harbor Light. Platform at stairs leading to rocks.
Also from Swans island, Atlantic Rd to East Point Rd
13. Blue Hill Bay- Naskeag Point Rd
14. Deer Island Thorofare- Sand Beach Rd.
15. Eagle Island- Sylvester Cove Boat dock and Points along Dunham Point Rd
(Private properties)
16. Pumpkin Island- Eggemoggin Rd before it turns to Lighthouse Lane.
17. Grindle- Lincolnville Beach Parking
18. Indian Island- Sea Wall Megunticook. Ask at front desk
19. Two Bush- Racliff Island, Island Ave. best when trees don't have leaves
20. Franklin Lighthouse- from Marshal Point Lighthouse, maybe Pemaquid
Lighthouse or maybe along Rt 32 in New Harbor near Rachael Carson preserve
21. Cockolds- Newagon Town Landing. Maybe Reid State Park
22. Curtis Island- Bayview St to "Curtis Lighthouse Overlook" sign
23. Pond Island- Fort Popham, Honeywell Beach and Popham Beach State Park
24. Sequin- Popham Beach State Park
25. Ram Island Ledge- Portland Head Lighthouse
26. Wood Island Lighthouse- East Point Audobon Sanctuary
27. Goat Island- Cape Pier Chowder House
28. Monhegan- Pemaquid Lighthouse Tower
29. Ram Island- Shore Rd
30. Burnt Island- Grandview Ave., and from Boothbar Harbor Foot Bridge
31. Hendricks Head- Reid State Park and Five Island
32. Whaleback- Fort McCary and Fort Foster

These are my own personal experiences. Some of these need very clear days to see. What is highlighted in yellow I plan to visit summer of 2025 to confirm
Happy Lighthouse Hunting