

**NJ Lighthouse Society, Inc.
Minutes of September 28, 1996
Twin Lights**

President Tom Laverty opened meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Steve Martorano moved that the minutes from the June meeting in Havre de Grace, MD, be approved. Motion carried.

Debby Megonigal gave the treasurer's report. There is a balance of \$4,737.99; the savings account balance is \$4,220.86. Motion made and carried to approve the report.

Tom gave the President's report. He received correspondence from Mark Lewis, England, who wishes to correspond with people; Tom will ask Kim Ruth to put this in the Beam.

Yvonne Miller, Programs, gave a report. The next meeting is December 7 in Tuckerton. The March meeting will possibly be in Barnegat Light; program to be decided. Ideas for future are Liberty State Park in NJ, and Delaware.

Joan Walton reported there are approximately 600 members, including families. Joan gave the Correspondence Secretary's report. We sent \$150 to Friends of Concord Point Light. The raffle for Saugerties Light stay sold over \$1,600 of tickets. Joan stated Ray Fisk will screen any slides that people want to send to him for use in the New Jersey Lighthouse Calendar.

In the absence of Carole DiNapoli, Tom Laverty gave the activities report. There are still seats available on the October 19 boat trip from Kingston, NY.

Bill Gately, Ways and Means, reported our Society had tables at three festivals. We sold about \$593 of merchandise at the Clearwater and Heritage Festivals, and about \$269 at Fort Mott. Net profit was about 40 percent of those amounts. Bill stated they need members for the ways and means committee.

Rich Veit, Publicity, stated he has tried to contact the Lighthouse Digest; he is trying to meet with Tim Harrison on November 15. On July 26 he and Elinor met with IPPA, Atlantic City.

Tom Laverty reported we are the official tour guides for Sandy Hook Light. Beginning October 27, our Society is running tours. He passed around a sign-up sheet for future tour guides.

Carl Nelson presented the awards for the annual March photo contest:

Nomination of officers for 1997-98 was reported by Jim Cope:

President	Tom Laverty
First Vice President	Yvonne Miller
Second Vice President	Steve Martorano
Secretary	Judy Swiencki
Treasurer	Debby Megonigal
Directors	Annette Colt
	Bill Gately

No nominations were received from the floor. Motion was made that the nominations be closed. Motion seconded and carried.

Under New Business, Jack Granger stated he is proposing a 10-day tour to Scotland to see about 10 lights, cost approximately \$1,000 plus air fare to Edinburgh, Scotland. Forty people are needed.

Steve Martorano displayed an antique lighthouse pinball machine which he will sell for \$2,000. He will donate part of the sale to the NJLHS.

Annette Colt, Ways and Means, reported she needs to know if anyone's interested in Christmas tree ornaments of Barnegat and Sandy Hook; they will sell for approximately \$8-10.

Yvonne Miller reported that Mrs. Miah Maull, a school teacher, had her class make items out of lighthouse photos. The students then visited lighthouses over the summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

The winner of the 50/50 received \$114.

The winner of the non-commercial t-shirt contest was Judy Swiencki. There were three entrants.

The winner of the commercial t-shirt contest was Roberta Salierno.

The winner of the children's category was Shandon Willey.

The winners of the Saugerties Lighthouse Bed and Breakfast raffle were:

Third prize (two sweatshirts): M. B. Doherty

Second prize (boat trip for two): Sandy Adrion

First prize (overnight at Saugerties Lighthouse): Ray Vliet

Members then toured the new exhibits at Twin Lights and went up in the towers.


Nancy Matthews
Secretary