

New Jersey Lighthouse Society
General Membership Meeting – June 16, 2018
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Riverview Beach Park
5 North Broadway
Pennsville, New Jersey 08817

President’s Call to Order & Welcome

President Brett Franks convened the meeting at 11:33 AM. Brett led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance and noted that since we were outside in a beautiful park, an emergency exits safety briefing would not be necessary.

Minutes from Prior General Meeting

Brett presented the minutes for the March 24, 2018 meeting at Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 3117 in Edison, NJ. Carol Winkie pointed out a needed correction to the name of the meeting location. Bob Gleason stated he would modify the minutes. A motion to approve the minutes, with the correction, was made, seconded and accepted unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report:

Faith provided the Treasurer’s Report as follows:

	as of Dec 31, 2017	as of May 31, 2018
Operating Fund	7,360.16	10,732.99
Memorial Fund	2,065.77	2,065.77
Preservation Fund	17,307.48	17,432.48
Operating Account Total	\$26,733.41	\$30,231.24
Trip Account Balance	8,061.52	6,665.15
Society Balance	\$34,794.93	\$36,896.39

Faith noted that the decrease in the Trip Account balance was a result of refunding deposits associated with the cancelled 2018 Washington State Trip. The Treasurer’s Report was approved unanimously.

First Vice President & Programs – Carol Winkie

Photo Contest Calendar Winners

- January – David Rodgers, Marshall Point Lighthouse in Port Clyde, ME
- February – Faith Giamboi, Charlotte-Genesee Lighthouse in Rochester, NY
- March – James Cope, Thomas Point Shoal Lighthouse in Annapolis, MD
- April – William McKelvey, Coquille River Lighthouse in Bandon, OR
- May – Winnie McKelvey, Leards Range Lighthouse on Prince Edward Island, Canada
- June – Michael Boucher, Indian Island Lighthouse in Rockport, ME
- July – Allison Rodgers, Presque Isle Lighthouse in Erie, PA
- August – Michael Boucher, Castle Point Lighthouse on North Island, New Zealand
- September – Howard Wright, Barnegat Lighthouse in Barnegat Light, NJ
- October – Robert Rodgers, East Point Lighthouse in Heislerville, NJ
- November - William McKelvey, Point Iroquois Lighthouse, Brimley, MI
- December – Michael McGowan, St. Simons Island Lighthouse, St. Simons, GA

Carol introduced and displayed the new 2019 NJLHS Calendar. The information on the back page of the calendar was read to the membership. June 20, 2020 will be the celebration of the start of NJLHS' 30th year.

Carol worked with Mike Boucher to complete the printing of 5,000 new brochures which include detailed information and directions for use during the NJ Lighthouse Challenge and information on the New Jersey Lighthouse Society – including its mission and goals. The brochures are to be distributed no sooner than National Lighthouse Day.

December meeting will be at Mastoris Restaurant for qualified 2018 members. Cost to attend will be \$15 per person or \$25 per couple.

Carol handed out 2017 NJ Lighthouse Challenge, Finns Point pins for those who participated in the Challenge but reached Finns Point after the supply of pins had been exhausted.

THE BEAM – For anyone making a vacation trip involving Lighthouses, PLEASE consider writing an article describing your trip/experience for publication in the newsletter. Bob Rodgers just authored a marvelous article for the June BEAM.

Second Vice President & Financial Chairman – Gene Goch

Gene could not attend the meeting this month.

Corresponding Secretary & Community Outreach – Kathy Lanzim

Kathy reviewed the remaining 2018 Outreach events and asked for volunteers. The remaining events are all inside or under a tent so no more rain-outs! The remaining events are: 1) The Antiques and Collectables Fair in Toms River on Saturday, September 1st, 2) The Beach Plum Festival in Island Beach State Park on Sunday, September 9th, and 3) The Tuckerton Decoy and Baymen Festival, weekend of September 29-30th.

Kathy contacted NJ Department of Tourism regarding error in new brochure. However, the brochure will not be reprinted for about eight years.

Recording Secretary, Hospitality & Membership – Bob Gleason

The attendance at the June 16th meeting was 45 members including one new member. Membership stands at 96 Individual memberships and 122 Family memberships for a paid 2018 membership of 340.

Board Director and Ways & Means Chair – Ann Solaequi

Ann emphasized values at the \$5 table and the availability of the new 2019 NJLHS Calendars.

Board Director – Loretta Wilkins

Nothing to Report.

Board Director – Apryl Roach

Apryl could not attend the meeting this month.

Board Director and Educational Outreach – Bob Rodgers

Educational Outreach – Four presentations thus far in 2018. Four more scheduled for 2018 with more possibly on the way. Word of mouth from impressed attendees is leading to more bookings for our presenter teams, Alan Jacobson & Marilyn Dunning and Cindy Mitzen. The presentations are very well received by the audiences and generous donations have been the result!

Photo Contest – Bob shared thoughts on 2019 Photo Contest Categories for next year’s contest. After careful analysis there will be five categories sorted by first letter of the lighthouse name, A-C, D-H, I-O, P-R, S-Z. The five categories represent an approximately equal distribution of US lighthouse names. Interestingly, A-C and P-R look small but there are a LOT of Cape--- and Point --- lighthouses!

Board Director – Kathleen Eustace

Preservation New Jersey designated Barnegat Lightship as one of the Top Ten - Most Endangered Historic Landmarks in New Jersey. The announcement was made on May 17th in Trenton.

Trips - Kathleen suggested the New London Lighthouse Cruise as a good idea for a short NJLHS trip. It is reachable by car or by Amtrak but summertime traffic would be an issue. An announcement will be placed in THE BEAM to contact Faith or Kathleen with any ideas for short lighthouse trips.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

The Business Meeting was adjourned at 12:33 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Bob Gleason, Recording Secretary, NJLHS