

CRISP POINT LIGHT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter#4 February, 1997

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Work Updates

Catch up on the latest work being done at the lighthouse.

Inmates at Crisp Point

Find out why there were inmates at Crisp Point.

Plan for the Future

Find out what's in store for Crisp Point in the future.

Also, Dee Smith & Bonnie Singleton Parker helped fill sand bags.

Later on came strength in numbers from inmates at Camp Koehler, Kinross, Michigan. Their hard work inspired us to keep trying.

For all those who joined & contributed money, bought T-shirts, etc., The money went for materials & supplies.

What You Can Do

We can still save the lighthouse!!!
Write to: Governor John Engler State Capital Bldg. Lansing, Michigan 48918-1800 Phone - (517)373-3400 Fax# (517)335-6863. Senator Walter North - P.O. Box 30036 Room 320 Lansing, Michigan 48909-7536 Fax# - (517)373-5144. His aide in Lansing, Michigan is Martin VanValkenburg. Aide to Sen. Walter North from the UP is Don Weeks - 1037 S.State St. Apt.3 St.Ignace, MI 49781 Phone & Fax# (906)643-7269. Pat Gagliardi, State Rep. Michigan State Capital Lansing, MI 48909. Coastal Zone Management - Lansing James G. Ribbens, chief, Stevens T. Mason Bldg. P.O. Box 30458, Lansing, MI 48909-7958 - email address is: ribbens j@deq.state.mi.us

Hello Again!

It's us again! We've been so busy and have so much to share with all of you. New members, please forgive the lateness of acknowledging your desire to join C.P.L.H.S. Letters to our friends & members & requests are also behind. All of our efforts have been geared to saving the lighthouse this fall until the snow kept us away.

Special Thank-You's

There has been a lot of work done at Crisp Point. We assembled wire gabion baskets, filled sand bags, then filled each gabion with over 60 sand bags. We tried using straw bales as well, closer to the low bluff. We would like to thank everyone who helped us.

Tom Gardiner and two helpers, Thao & Tog Vain from Gardiner's Landscaping in Sterling Hts., Michigan camped out in September and the 3rd week of October helping us with much labor.

Thank you

Entrance Bldg. Lost

We hoped to get large stone barged in before winter set in. Without the stone, in November we lost the entrance building attached to the tower. Two storms just two weeks apart took the last of the bank. The high water levels of Lake Superior caused too much erosion too quickly. Without the stone at the waters edge and beyond, all efforts failed.

New Plan to Save Lighthouse

We now have a plan & a contractor ready to bring in stone over land while the ground is frozen. We will need to raise \$42,000 now or we need the work & materials furnished with government help. We need the Governor, John Engler of the state of Michigan to find the monies/special funds, We are also working with Jim Ribbens, Coastal Zone Mgmt.

C.P. Saved From the Auction Block!

Crisp Point will not be going to the auction block! Thank You for all of your prayers, interest, & encouragement as we struggled to keep her. All of the articles in the newspapers, magazines, & TV coverage helped. The Luce County Bd. of Commissioners & the EDC have stepped in at the last minute to keep the lighthouse from going to private ownership. We need to make our needs known in Lansing, Michigan now just as persistently.

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Welcome all new members of Crisp Point Light Historical Society:

Tom Gardiner	Sterling Heights, Michigan
Joanne McBride	Springfield, Virginia
Jay L. Sorenson	Shorewood, Wisconsin
Wednesday Moore	Eckerman, Michigan
Jean Gertz	Appleton, Wisconsin
Jane Gertz	Appleton, Wisconsin
Sonny Rae Knife	West Milton, Ohio
Gus & Stella Shisler Family	Paradise, Michigan
Len & Rita Lemanek Family	Little Lake, Michigan
Harold & Janet Siron Family	Wakeman, Ohio
Chuck & Patricia Eckenstahler Family	Long Beach, Indiana
Tom & Ella Brown Jr. Family	Paradise, Michigan
John & Betty Lou Stanley Family	Bucyrus, Ohio
Roger & Pat Norton Family	Barbeau, Michigan
Pat Limes Family	Grand Rapids, Ohio
Gloria Papke	Wyandotte, Michigan
Maybelle Haynes	Bethlehem, New Hampshire
Prudence Taylor	Newberry, Michigan
Bill & Susan Kayl Family	Hazel Park, Michigan
Jerry & Sally Fitzgerald Family	Terrace Park, Ohio
Tim Ford	Davison, Michigan
Bryan & Gwen Johnson Family	Jackson, Wisconsin
Darryl Meredith	East Lansing, Michigan
Julie Moulds	Christmas, Michigan

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HOW CAN YOU HELP SAVE CRISP POINT LIGHTHOUSE?

1. Become a member

2. Make a donation

3. Purchase a Crisp Point T-Shirt

(please detach & mail to address above)

Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Are you currently a C.P.L.H.S. member? _____

Check all that apply:

ANYONE INTERESTED IN GIVING A
NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE TAX
DEDUCTIBLE DONATION PLEASE CALL
US AT 906-492-3206

_____ I would like to become a member (enclosed are my membership fees).

_____ 1 year single - \$20.00 _____ 2 year single - \$35.00

_____ 1 year family - \$30.00 _____ 2 year family - \$ 50.00

_____ I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$_____ (enclosed).

_____ I would like to purchase a Crisp Point T-Shirt

Please circle size & color (Please add \$2.00 each for shipping)

Qty. _____ Adult S - M - L - XL \$15.00 - gray - white - navy - red

Qty. _____ Adult XXL \$ 17.50 - gray - white - navy red

Qty. _____ Adult XXXL \$ 19.50 - gray - white - navy - red

_____ I would like to purchase a long sleeve shirt with embroidered lettering

Please circle size & color (please add \$2.00 each for shipping)

Qty. _____ Adult S-M-L-XL \$29.00 - tan w/gold - gray w/silver

Qty. _____ Adult XXL \$ 32.50 -tan w/gold - grayw/silver

Qty. _____ Adult XXXL \$ 34.50 - tan w/gold - gray w/silver

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TELL US IN WHAT WAYS YOU'D LIKE TO HELP OR BE
INVOLVED AT CRISP POINT.

Check the areas in which you would like to be involved:

- heavy equipment
- CPA or lawyer
- answer some Crisp Point mail
- grant writing
- government influence "friends in high places"
- carpentry
- masonry
- well drilling
- planting
- labor of any kind
- Yes, I'd be interested in an annual summer conference - "large working picnic"
- Yes, I will be coming to Crisp Point in 1997. I plan to be there in _____
_____.

Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

Please send back to address above. Thank You.