

Crisp Point Light Historical Society



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2009 Summer Conference

The 13th Annual Crisp Point Conference is coming soon! This year it will take place on Saturday, July 18. It begins at the Whitefish Township School in Paradise at 10:00 a.m. Coffee is ready at 9:00 a.m. for those who want to come early and visit. Coffee, juice, baked goods, etc... will be provided for breakfast. We will be updating everyone on what has been happening, and what will be happening at Crisp Point. Lunch is provided, to be eaten at the school, or taken out to the Light. Later, the conference moves out to Crisp Point, where we enjoy a relaxing afternoon, and a dinner of hot dogs and much more. The cost is only \$10 per person, children 12 and under are free. All are welcome. Call (906) 492-3496 if you have any questions. Sign up using the back page of this newsletter, or pay at the door. Or visit the web site and print out a form: www.crisppointlighthouse.org.

Hope to see you there!



NEW VISITOR CENTER

We are excited to announce that construction on the new building near the lighthouse has begun. This building is designed to look like the old fog signal building, and is about 22' x 40'. The inside will be one large room. On the back, two bathrooms will be accessed from the outside. The foundation is poured, the drain field is buried, and the block walls will be done soon.



Preparing the forms for the foundation.



Pouring the concrete foundation.

As work progresses on this building, the costs are adding up faster than expected. We are in need of some financial assistance to finish this project. If you are able to spare a little, or a lot, please consider making a donation to the Crisp Point Lighthouse Fund. See page 6 for details.

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Lighthouse Keepers Program 2009

If you are an active CLPHS member and would like to act as a keeper during this season, please contact Dee Smith at (906) 492-3496.

You will have a key to the lighthouse and will be able to keep it open during the day, and greet visitors as they arrive.

We ask that only one family or couple at a time participate in the program, so that you can spend the evenings alone. You can set up a camper or a tent, or stay in a motel and drive out each day.

Please remember that due to liability issues, only members in good standing are eligible to participate. The member who takes possession of the key must remain in possession of the key until it is returned to Dee.

Sponsor the Porta Potty



Until the new building is finished, we still need to rent two portable toilets. They were delivered the last week of May. Rental and maintenance cost about \$400 monthly. If you would like to sponsor one or more month's rental, please call Margaret Warren for more information at 734-421-7512.

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The Web Site for Crisp Point Light

Now, you can view past issues of this newsletter on the web site. Newsletters 1-9 and 18-23 are already available to view. The remaining issues will be coming soon.

The web site has current photos of the construction at the visitor center, along with historical pictures, and photos taken by visitors to the Lighthouse. Also on the site, you can view photos of Crisp Point merchandise, and print out an order form.

Looking for a place to stay in or around Paradise? Information about hotels, cottages and cabins is also available on the Crisp Point web site. Just click on the button that says "Lodging Information".

Some of these establishments include a link to their own web site, so you can view pictures and get more details. Also, Crisp Point Lighthouse Historical Society members may receive a discount just for being a member. Currently, the following businesses offer a discount:

Mile Creek Cabins, Saunders Sunrise Cabins, Great Lakes Shipwreck Historical Society at Whitefish Point, Del-Les Resort, Freighters View, Comfort Inn Newberry

Please see the web site for locations, discounts and restrictions.

Want to know the history of Crisp Point Light?

Concerned about erosion along the shore?

Would you like to find out more about other area events? Need a brochure, or driving directions to the Light? All of this and more can be found

on our web site, which is full of useful information. You can also learn about restaurants in the area, get a recipe for

whitewash, and learn what you can do to help Crisp Point. If you would like to comment, there is an on-line log where visitors can let us know what they're thinking. If you have not visited the web site lately, make sure you check it out, new information is being added all the time.

ATTENTION ORV RIDERS

Please do not ride on the beach or the dunes when visiting the lighthouse.

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Construction began on the visitor center on May 15, with the arrival of the concrete crew, the plumbers and the delivery of the first load of block. The weather has not always cooperated. Though some days have been beautiful, the workers have seen strong winds, big waves, rain, and snow, but fortunately, no flies. Once the block wall is up, it will be finished with brick to match the service building.



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New Membership List: We cannot thank all of you enough for supporting **Crisp Point Light Historical Society**. Your memberships and membership renewals are so encouraging. Listed below are the new members to Crisp Point Light Historical Society since the last newsletter. If you do not see your name here, then you may have missed the cut off date. Please check the next newsletter. **Thank you to all who have joined or renewed their memberships. We could not achieve what we do without you!**

New Single Members

Charlie Ziesemer – Caledonia, MI
Tamara Wheeler – Hartford, MI
Derek Tait – Chicago, IL
Karen Laurel – Fowlerville, MI
David Mackey – Cadillac, MI
S. Guy – Zeeland, MI
Mark Breithart – Lansing, MI
Betty Delong – Paradise, MI

New Family Members

Richard & Pat Jarzynka – Grass Lake, MI
Lee & Sue Scherwitz – Coloma, MI
Gary L. Toland – Elkhart, IN
Shelly McCarty – Larchwood, IA

Crisp Point Light Historical Society Officials and Board Members

Don Ross	President , Board Member
Dee Smith	Merchandise, Board Member
Terri Brockway	Newsletter, Board Member
Bernie Hellstrom	Board Member
Mike Warren	Board Member
Rick Brockway	Newsletter Editor, Board Member

Mark your calendars now for the 2009 Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival to be held October 8-11, 2009. Crisp Point Light Historical Society will have a booth selling a wide variety of merchandise. For more information on the festival, visit their web site at:

www.lighthousefestival.org

Time to renew your membership?

If your membership has expired, or is about to, it only takes a few minutes to renew. Check the envelope this newsletter arrived in. On the upper right corner of the address label, there is either a date, or the word "Lifetime". The date is when your membership expires. To renew, all you have to do is fill out the form on page 8, enclose a check and mail it to the address at the top of the form. If your label says "Lifetime", there is no need for renewal, thank you for your continued support.



THANK YOU!

CPLHS would like to thank these businesses for working with us to keep costs down:

Cheboygan Cement Products
Newberry Redi Mix
Rudyard Pro Builders
D & D Drywall & Concrete
Northern Plumbing

Thank you to the Luce County Road Commission for maintaining the roads.

Thank you to Carmen Pittinger from Luce County EDC for all her help.

Thank you to Stan Klein for painting inside the service building.

Thank you to Joey Sweeter for selling merchandise and working on the visitor center.

Thank you to Rick Brockway for supervising the building of the visitor center and much more.

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Harbor Lights Replicas Still Available



Only 500 replicas of Crisp Point Lighthouse were made by Harbour Lights as part of their "This Little Light of Mine" series. The Crisp Point Light Historical Society purchased all 500 of them. The first 300 are numbered, limited editions. The other 200 are the same quality, but do not have a number and special marking on the bottom. Though the numbered replicas sold out long ago, there are some of the regular replicas remaining. Remember, you cannot buy these anywhere else. They are not available in stores.

If you would like to purchase a replica, they sell for \$26.95 each, which includes shipping. Send a **check made out to CPLHS** to:

Rick Brockway
CPLHS
450 W. Marr Rd.
Howell, Michigan 48855

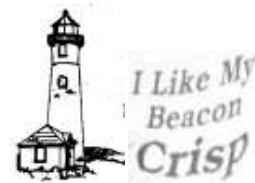
More Harbour Lights

Harbour Lights has informed us that Crisp Point was not one of the lights selected to be made into a larger replica for 2010. Please e-mail them at HarbourLights@HarbourLights.com to express an interest in a large Crisp Point replica in the future.

Limited Edition Wine Bottle



As mentioned in the last newsletter, Stoney Acres Winery of Alpena has produced a special, limited edition bottle showcasing the Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival's featured lighthouse. In 2008, 200 bottles were made with Crisp Point Light on the label. A portion of the sales from this special edition will be donated to lighthouse groups that participate in the Festival. To buy one of the few remaining bottles featuring Crisp Point, please call the winery at 989-356-1041.



Due to unavoidable schedule conflict, our President, Don Ross, will not be present for the Annual Conference this year.

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Working Hard at the Light

While the visitor center is being built, other work is also being done at the Light. Rick Brockway, his brother, Gale Brockway and his nephew, Joey Sweeter, have reinstalled the ramp east of the tower which leads to the beach. If you recall, this ramp was washed away by the waves two years ago. Now, it is back, and better than ever. The boardwalk around the tower had to be removed for construction of the service building. That has now been reinstalled also. Bugs made a mess of the inside of the service building, but Stan Klein has taken care of that. Stan came out and spent a couple days repainting the inside of the building. Rick has been painting also, the trim around the windows of the service building, and the trim on the outside. A new, heavy duty firepit has been built that should last a very long time. There have been a lot of visitors lately, and Joey has been busy collecting donations, and selling Crisp Point merchandise in the service building.



Rick painting the trim outside the service building.



Gale Brockway helping with the construction.



Joey Sweeter assisting a visitor.



The new, improved ramp to the beach at the east end of the boardwalk.

MEMBERSHIP & MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

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Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

I would like to become a member _____ 1 year single \$20.00 _____ 2 year single \$35.00 _____

I would like to renew _____ 1 year family \$30.00 _____ 2 year family \$50.00 _____

Summer conference July 18, 2009 _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

I would like to make a tax deductible donation in the amount of \$ _____

(A lifetime family membership comes with a tax deductible donation of \$500.00)

I would like to purchase a Crisp Point T-shirt. (Silk-screen artwork of the lighthouse. Back has "I Like My Beacon Crisp")

Please circle size and color.

Adult	S - M - L - XL	gray - white - navy	Qty. _____	Each \$15.00 _____
Adult	XXL	gray - white - navy	Qty. _____	Each \$17.50 _____
Adult	XXXL	gray - white - navy	Qty. _____	Each \$19.50 _____
Children's	Small 6/8	lime - blue - pink	Qty. _____	Each \$10.50 _____
Children's	Medium 10/12	yellow - blue - pink	Qty. _____	Each \$10.50 _____

Heavy duty 50/50 top quality Lee Sweatshirt. (Navy with embroidered letters plus silk-screened artwork of the lighthouse)

Please circle size.

Adult	M - L - XL	Qty. _____	Each \$42.00 _____
Adult	XXL	Qty. _____	Each \$45.00 _____
Adult	XXXL	Qty. _____	Each \$48.00 _____

I would like to purchase a heavy-duty long sleeve tee shirt with embroidered lettering.

Please circle size & color.

Adult	S - M - L - XL	Denim/Blue	gray w/silver	Qty. _____	Each \$29.00 _____
Adult	XXL	Denim/Blue	gray w/silver	Qty. _____	Each \$32.50 _____

Now available in all sizes -Orange

Crisp Point denim top quality long sleeve shirts. (Embroidery at front pocket) Please circle size.

Adult	S - M - L - XL	Qty. _____	Each \$37.50 _____
Adult	XXL	Qty. _____	Each \$39.50 _____

Windshirts Black Please circle size	Adult	M - L - XL	Qty. _____	Each \$42.00 _____
	Adult	XXL	Qty. _____	Each \$45.00 _____
	Adult	XXXL (Navy Only)	Qty. _____	Each \$50.00 _____

Crisp point Napkin Holder	Qty. _____	Each \$10.00 _____
Crisp Point Embroidered Bucket Hats Circle size S-M or L-XL	Qty. _____	Each \$14.00 _____
Crisp Point Embroidered Denim Caps, blue	Qty. _____	Each \$12.00 _____
Crisp Point Lighthouse Architectural Survey Book	Qty. _____	Each \$22.00 _____
Crisp Point Coffee Mugs	Qty. _____	Each \$10.00 _____
Crisp Point Lighthouse Black Metal Silhouette 15" x 20"	Qty. _____	Each \$25.00 _____
Crisp Point Lighthouse Black Metal Silhouette 21 x 28 1/2	Qty. _____	Each \$35.00 _____
"Crisp Point Landing" Print by Ruth Ann Mersino	Qty. _____	Each \$10.00 _____

ADD \$5.50 SHIPPING FOR EACH ITEM Qty. _____ \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____