

"I Like My Beacon Crisp"

# Crisp Point Light Historical Society

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## Annual Conference Changes

We know most people are having a hard time in this economy, so we are making a few changes to make it easier to attend the annual conference. The conference will take place on Saturday, July 21, 2012. For those who register by July 14, attendance is FREE. For anyone who wants to pay at the door, it will be \$5 per person, or \$15 per family. You may register using the form on page 4, or visit our website to print out the same form. For those who have email, just send your name, address, phone and number of people attending to Margaret at [crisppoint1904@yahoo.com](mailto:crisppoint1904@yahoo.com).

Watch for more information about changes to the conference format in the next newsletter.

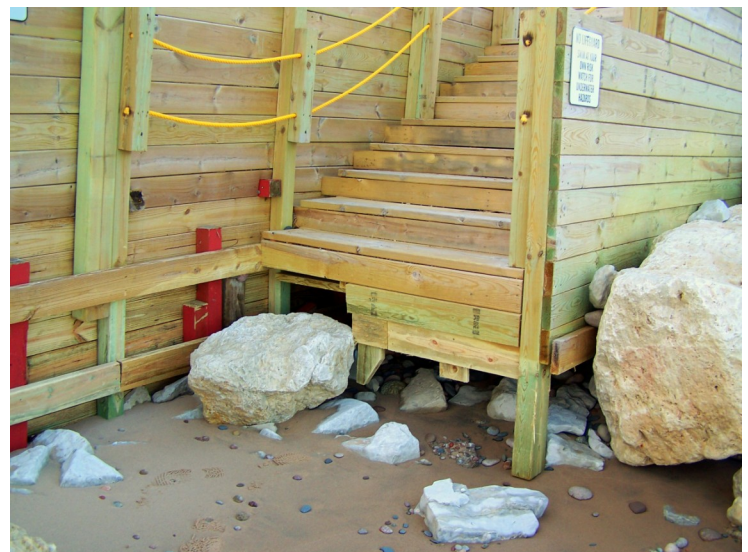
## E-Mail Newsletter

CPLHS members can get the quarterly Crisp Point newsletter sent directly to their email. The electronic version is in color, and any or all of the pages can be easily printed. You can also have it sent to all the email addresses in your household. 192 members have chosen the electronic newsletter, saving CPLHS approximately \$750 each year! Your address will be used only for Crisp Point business and will NEVER be shared. It's very easy to switch to e-mail, just email Margaret at [crisppoint1904@yahoo.com](mailto:crisppoint1904@yahoo.com).



## October Storm

Our new stairway and retaining wall were damaged by a recent storm in October. A large portion of the bank on the east end was washed away and some of the large rocks were moved out of place.



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## Rock Fundraiser

The total donated to the rock fundraiser is nearing \$8,000! We would like to thank all those who have helped out, including these recent donors:

Curt & Kathy Anderson	Chester Putek
Dianne Chapman	Mary Rogacki
Joe & Nancy Cornwell	Thomas Standley
John & Sherry Torrens	Henry Davies
Richard & Doris Troll	Matthew L. Godsil
Gary & Kelly Venzuch	Deb Godsil
Chris & Les Homan	Connie Waelti
John Hyde	Margaret Walbridge
Terry & Elaine Lee	Wendy Waltman
Mary Hausbeck Lyman	Beth Wettstein
Jan Meagher	W.L. Wortman
Chuck & Cindie Nearhood	

Richard Fitzsimmons, a longtime member of CPLHS, passed away in August. Our deepest sympathy to his wife, Gloria, and his family and friends.

## Membership Matters

You will receive a reminder with your paper newsletter when your membership is about to expire. If you receive the electronic newsletter, you'll get an email message. Members who have already expired will receive another reminder before you are dropped from the list. If you have any questions about your membership or expiration date, please contact Margaret by email: [crisppoint1904@yahoo.com](mailto:crisppoint1904@yahoo.com) or phone (734) 421-7512.

## Meet the Members

Elaine Watson lives in Rochester, MI with her husband, Larry. They have been members of CPLHS since 1997 and lifetime members since 2009. Elaine joined the CPLHS Board of Directors in 2011. She has represented Crisp Point at the Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival, the Paradise Area Chamber of Commerce Spring Showcase and more. Elaine shared some of her thoughts below.

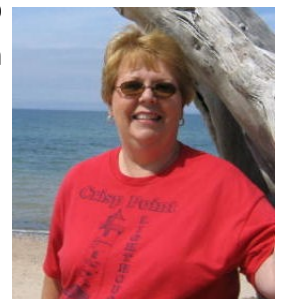
**ELAINE:** I first heard about Crisp Point from a couple of co-workers. They had visited Crisp Point for several years. In the summer of 1991, late on a rainy Sunday afternoon, we made our way back through the winding trails, not really sure if we should keep going. We finally met another truck and they assured us that there was a lighthouse back there. It was love at first sight. There has hardly been a year since that we haven't made a couple of trips annually to the lighthouse.

My husband, Larry, and I have met so many wonderful people. We are truly amazed at what has been done at Crisp Point. There are a lot of members that have given a tremendous amount of time toward preserving Crisp Point. Every time we are there, I have such a good feeling about being involved in such a worthwhile project, and I feel Don & Nellie Ross are looking down in appreciation of all that has been accomplished.

I feel the visitor's center building has been the best addition to the project. A lot of effort went into the building. The Visitor Center has offered a nice place to display items, take refuge from the elements, storage and RESTROOMS.

I wasn't sure that I wanted to be on the Board, but I find that I don't have any trouble talking about Crisp Point. I put on a Crisp Point shirt or jacket and it doesn't take long to run into someone that has either been there or wants to go there.

We love our Crisp Point!



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## Thank You!

Thank you to **Chuck Nearhood**, **Kyle Underwood** and **Rick Brockway** for installing a split rail fence along the sidewalk to keep people from walking on the drain field.

Thank you to **Vernon Porton** of Blanchard, Oklahoma, for donating an agate for the display in the visitor center.

Thank you to **Richard & Patrice Jarzynka**, for donating a new flag to replace the one that was damaged during the storm in October.

## Visitor Center Fundraiser

With the help of our wonderful supporters, we have raised over \$19,000 towards the cost of building the visitor center. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped. We couldn't have done it without you! Recent donors are listed below.

Susan E. Huebner

Frank & Sue Lada

Ann Marie McIntire

James & Barbara Nicholson

J. Dallas & Peggie Roberts

## Join CPLHS on Facebook

Search for [Crisp Point Light Historical Society](#) and join the group. Post comments, pictures and questions.

Crisp Point merchandise can be ordered securely online using PayPal. Visit our web site to place an order:  
[www.crisppointlighthouse.org](http://www.crisppointlighthouse.org)

## Welcome!

CPLHS appreciates the support of all of our current members and would like to welcome the following new members:

Carole Bailey—Menomonee Falls, WI

Janet Brewster—Fremont, MI

Bruce & Paula DuVall—Grand Rapids, MI

Adelia Hammond—Brooklyn, MI

Dan & Betty Haraburda—Middleville, MI

Joann Karges—Rochester, MN

Rich Katuzin—Osseo, MI

Terry & Elaine Lee—Metamora, MI

Mary & Greg Lyman—DeWitt, MI

The Moroz Family—Warren, MI

Bruce Multhup—Springfield, OH

Kenneth Niesen—Prairie Du Sac, WI

Jonathan Reid—Woodland, MI

Beth Wettstein—Hartford, WI

Rachel Zott—Mt. Pleasant, MI

## GPS

If you use a GPS to guide you to the lighthouse, please do not start it until you are already on County Road 500. This way, you will be assured of following the standard route. Otherwise, you may find yourself taking an unpleasant drive down logging roads or snowmobile trails.

Download a free code reader for your smart phone to read the code and visit our web site.



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## New Buoy

CPLHS has recently acquired a buoy from the Coast Guard in Sault Ste. Marie. Rick Brockway was able to pick it up on November 10. This particular buoy has the letters "USLHS" stamped on the bottom. This indicates that it was used during the time of the Lighthouse Service, which managed lighthouses from 1910-1939. After that, the Coast Guard took over management of lighthouses.

After getting cleaned and painted, the 700 pound buoy will be displayed on the lighthouse grounds.

CPLHS is grateful to BM2 Robert Rafferty of the US Coast Guard, who assisted us in obtaining the buoy. Thank you also to MK3 Maurice Thompson, who helped Rick get the buoy secured for the trip.

Pictured L to R: MK3 Maurice Thompson, BM2 Robert Rafferty, Rick Brockway



## MEMBERSHIP, CONFERENCE & DONATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Membership</b>	_____ New	_____ 1 year Single \$20.00	_____ 2 year Single \$35.00
	_____ Renewal	_____ 1 year Family \$30.00	_____ 2 year Family \$50.00
Would you like your quarterly newsletter e-mailed to you?		(Circle one)	Yes No

**Annual Conference** - Saturday, July 21, 2011      Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance is free for all who register before July 14.

**Donation**      I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A lifetime family membership comes with a donation of \$500 (may be tax deductible, consult your tax adviser)

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CPLHS

Mail to: CPLHS, Rick Brockway, 450 W. Marr Rd., Howell, MI 48855

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## Flag Design Contest

You are invited to design a new flag for the Crisp Point Light Historical Society. The winning design will be made into a flag which will hang under the American flag on our new flagpole. The winner will also receive a \$25 certificate that can be used to purchase Crisp Point merchandise. All entries must be received by December 31, 2011. Visit this page to print the entry form: [crisppointlighthouse.org/flag.html](http://crisppointlighthouse.org/flag.html)

## Tow Rope Donated

We would like to thank Betsy Lewis from Deer Park, Michigan for the donation of a tow rope. This rope may be the one used to tow the tugboat, Seneca, in the late evening of December 2, 2006. The Seneca was being towed by the Susan Hoey during a sudden storm on Lake Superior. The tow rope parted and the Seneca became grounded.



The tow rope was found on the beach near Perry's Landing in April of 2008.



## Visitor Log Statistics

As of September, a total of 6,677 visitors had signed the visitor log books at the light this year. Not everyone signs the book, so the actual count of visitors is probably much higher. The two busiest months were July with 2,401 visitors and August with 2,111.

We ask that you please make sure you sign the visitor log book each time you visit the light. There is more than one book, but it is only necessary to sign once. It is helpful to know how many people are visiting the light and the log books are the only way we can estimate the total number.

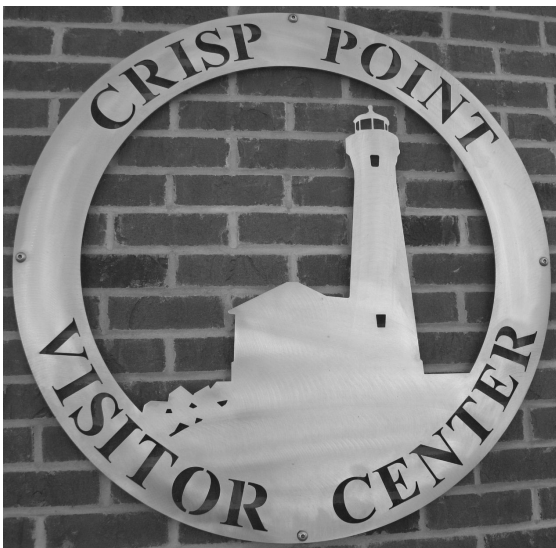


## New Replicas Available Now

The new miniature replicas of Crisp Point Light have arrived. The replicas are made by Harbour Lights and are a little different than the previous miniatures. The new ones are not numbered, have "CPLHS" on the bottom and have a fall color scheme. Available exclusively through CPLHS, they will not be sold by Harbour Lights or any other vendor. Supply is limited, as we only ordered a total of 300 and more than half of them have been sold. If you would like to order a replica, you may use the order form on the back page or order on our website using PayPal.

# Crisp Point Rocks!

The large rocks along the bank have protected the lighthouse for many years. The first ones were placed in 1999, and additional rocks were added in 2003 and 2007. These have served us well, but more are needed. The rocks are being undermined by the waves, and the bank on the east end collapsed during a storm in 2009. New rock has been delivered by Lechner Construction, and they have generously allowed us to make partial payments. At this time, we are asking for your help, in the form of a donation that will help pay for the rocks. As a bonus, donors may receive a silhouette similar to the new sign on the visitor center. These are exclusively available to those who contribute to this fundraiser and will not be sold separately. Those who donate \$60 will receive a round silhouette, 10 inches in diameter, while donors of \$100 will receive a 14 inch silhouette.



The silhouettes, at right, are made of laser cut stainless steel and are similar to the new sign on the Visitor Center shown at left.



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100 Donation (receive 14" silhouette)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$60 Donation (receive 10" silhouette)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation to rock fundraiser

Make checks out to: **Crisp Point Light Historical Society**

Please mail check & form to: Margaret Warren, 11030 Brookfield, Livonia, MI 48150

Questions, please call (734) 421-7512 or email [crisppoint1904@yahoo.com](mailto:crisppoint1904@yahoo.com). All contributions will be recognized in an upcoming newsletter. Donations may be tax deductible, consult your tax adviser.

## Crisp Point Light Historical Society Lifetime Members

Edith Maynard & John Allen	Ann Grasso	Mike & Jan Odenweller
Bob & Becky Anderson	Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival	Raymond Paris Family
Vernon & Judy Becker	Dennis Hale	Donna Payne
Jonathan & Kathleen Beeton	Mary Eleanor Harris	Ron & Julie Porritt
Patrick & Dolores Blohm	Eleanor Hastie	Jeff Ratcliffe
Cynthia M. Boyd	Bernie & Deanna Hellstrom	John & Diane Raths
Eric L. Boyd	Kathryn K. Hoffmaster	Dean & Mary Lou Ringle
Gary D. Boyd	Ken & Karen Holleman	Rob & Jeannie Robbins
Rick & Terri Brockway	John & Elizabeth Hyde	Richard & Kathy Robinson
Dave & Julie Buckmaster	Richard S. Jackson Jr.	Charles & Sharon Ross
Paul Burns Family	Carl & Marcia Jahn	Craig & Kim Ross
Matthew Cameron	Cal Karr Family	Todd, Melissa & Sierra Ross
Randy Carroll Family	Stan & Mary Klein	Virble & Edith Ross
Jamie Lynn Clark	Gregory J. Landsfield	Mark Ross Family
Marge Colagross	Tim Harrison/Lighthouse Digest	Steve Ross Family
Bay Mills Indian Community	Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers	Sault Tribe of the Chippewa
Ryan & Miriam Conner	Newberry Lions Club	Harvey & Kathy Sherman
Mary Cowles	Cameron Lovett	Stella Shisler
David & Jill Crisp	Bethany Makidon	Geoffrey Sisung
Frank & Carol Crisp	Paul & Barbara Mason	Bruce & Yvonne Summey Sr.
Doug & Stacie Crouch	Mark Mather	Michael & Christine Supinger
Michael & Diana Dalton	John M. McCleary	Dianne M. Sweeter
Craig & Kari David Family	Mary McIntyre	Gerard & Lynette Szydlowski
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Sally M. Edwards	Jim Michael	Tony & Melanie Tatarowicz
Larry & Dixie Farmer	Dick & Margaret Moehl	Bucko Teeple
Gloria Fitzsimmons	John & Janice Moore	Marvin & Joy Theut
Smoky Mountain Flame Keepers	Spencer Murfey Jr.	W. Bruce & Phyllis Thomas
Lynn Forrest	Gregg Nanson	Edward G. Voss
Marilyn J. Freitag	Chuck & Cindie Nearhood	Lindsey Warren
Jane Gertz	New England Lighthouse Fund	Marissa Warren
Jean Gertz	Dee Smith	Mike & Margaret Warren
Bob & Margaret Goldthorpe	Steve, Karen, Ryan, Kasey Smith	Stewart & Noreen Warren
Ethan & Jessica Good	Charles & Inge Spaulding	Larry & Elaine Watson
		Kevin White

**CPLHS MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Item	Size	Color	Quantity	Price Ea.	Total
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**Crisp Point T-Shirt** "I Like My Beacon Crisp" on back, silk-screen lighthouse artwork on front

Youth S-M	gray-denim	blue-gold		\$12.00	
S-M-L-XL	gray-denim	blue-dk orange-sage-gold		\$15.00	
XXL	gray-denim	blue-dk orange-sage-gold		\$17.50	
XXXL	gray-orange			\$19.50	

**Crisp Point Sweatshirt** Heavy duty 50/50 Lee top quality, embroidered letters plus silkscreened artwork of lighthouse

S-M-L-XL	navy			\$42.00	
XXL	navy			\$45.00	
XXXL	navy			\$48.00	

**Crisp Point Long Sleeve T-Shirt** Heavy duty, silk screen of lighthouse, with embroidered lettering

S-M-L-XL	brick red-gray-bright orange			\$29.00	
XXL	brick red-gray-bright orange			\$32.50	

**Crisp Point Denim Long Sleeve Shirt** Top quality, embroidery at front pocket

S-M-L-XL	denim			\$37.50	
XXL	denim			\$39.50	
XXXL	denim			\$45.00	

**CPLHS Jacket** Crisp Point Light Historical Society and lighthouse logo embroidered on front **\*SPECIAL ORDER\***

S-M-L-XL-XXL	red-green-black-khaki-royal blue-navy blue			\$75.00	
Tall L-XL	red-forest green-black-khaki-royal blue-navy blue			\$75.00	

**Crisp Point Hoodie** Screen print CRISP POINT on front in white

S-M-L-XL	oxford (light gray) - maroon			\$24.00	
XXL	oxford (light gray) - maroon			\$26.00	
XXXL	oxford (light gray) - maroon			\$28.00	

**Crisp Point Embroidered Bucket Hat**

S/M or L/XL	khaki			\$14.00	
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**Crisp Point Denim Cap** embroidered, made of stonewashed denim

one size	blue- green- burgundy			\$12.00	
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**Harbour Lights Miniature - Fall at Crisp Point**

				\$24.95	
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MAIL TO: CPLHS  
 Rick Brockway  
 450 W. Marr Rd  
 Howell, MI 48855

Crisp Point Lighthouse Ink Pen (black ink)	\$1.00
Napkin Holder	\$10.00
Crisp Point Light Hat Pin	\$3.50
Coffee Mug 14 oz.	\$10.00
Black Metal Silhouette 15" x 20"	\$25.00
Black Metal Silhouette 21" x 28.5"	\$35.00
Souvenir Shot Glass	\$3.00

Shipping/Handling to U.S.	
Merchandise	Shipping
0-\$5.00	\$2.95
\$5.01-\$25.00	\$7.95
\$25.01-\$50.00	\$10.95
\$50.01-\$75.00	\$14.95
\$75.01 and up	\$17.95

Questions?  
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 call: 517-230-6294 or 517-546-5283

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