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#### **News & Notes**

Don't forget about the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Crisp Point summer conference, which will take place on Saturday, July 17, 2010. It all starts at the Whitefish Township School in Paradise, beginning at 10:00 a.m. The doors will be open at 9 a.m. if you want to browse the merchandise or visit with other attendees. After lunch, the conference moves out to the lighthouse. The fee is only \$10 per person, which includes breakfast, lunch and dinner. Children under 12 are free, and you do not need to be a CPLHS member to attend.

Sign up using the form on page 4 of this newsletter, or visit the website at www.crisppointlighthouse.org and print out a form, or just pay when you arrive. Any questions, call Rick at (517) 230-6294 or Dee (906) 492-3496.

#### Hope to see you there!

CPLHS has been informed by the IRS that our application for tax exempt status has been approved. We are now officially a 501(c)(3) public charity.

Crisp Point Light now has a group on Facebook. Search for <u>Crisp Point Light Historical Society</u>, and join the group. Visitors can post photos, comments, questions and events for all to see.

CPLHS is now capable of accepting secure, online donations through PayPal. Donors may use Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover, bank transfer and PayPal balances. PayPal charges us a small fee for each transaction, and you will receive a receipt through your e-mail.

The volunteer keeper calendar is now online! We are still in need of some members willing to act as keepers during the summer and fall. Keep in mind that the tower can only be open when a volunteer keeper is present. Our goal is to have a keeper there every day from mid-May to October. The more volunteers, the fewer disappointed visitors we have. Please consider signing up. You can volunteer for a day, a week or whatever fits your schedule. To find out which days are still available, visit our new online volunteer keeper schedule: www.localendar.com/public/crisppointlighthouse. Reservations must be made in advance, and your membership must be current. You may camp at the light, or stay in town. To sign up for the days you want to help, please call Rick Brockway at (517) 230-6294 or Dee Smith at (906) 492-3496.

We have some exciting new merchandise items. Jackets can be purchased in 6 colors. These are lined, have contrasting color cuffs and collar, and are embroidered with the lighthouse logo and the words "Crisp Point Light Historical Society." They are available in a range of sizes, from small to X-Large Tall. Jackets are a special order, so allow for more time to receive them.

Long sleeve t-shirts in brick red are now available, as well as Crisp Point Lighthouse ink pens. We also have hoodies in oxford (light gray) and maroon. Use the order form on the back page, or visit our website www.crisppointlighthouse.org. Orders can now be placed on-line and paid through PayPal.

Crisp Point Light was featured in an article in the Paradise Eagle in April. If you missed it, you can read it on-line at paradiseeagle.webs.com by clicking on the April 2010 link.

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#### Visitor Center Fundraiser Update

Since the last newsletter, we have received a few more donations, bringing the grand total so far to \$13,410. Thank you to all of our generous donors, we could not have built our wonderful new building without your help!

#### Thank you!

\$100 Donation
Larry & Elaine Watson

Sponsor a Board
Rowlan, Roger & Gerald Smith
Lark Ludlow
Jonathan & Andrea Dajnowicz

Sponsor the Viewing Platform
Jean & Jane Gertz, and Dee Smith



#### Do You Have A Hat Pin?

Crisp Point hat pins are one inch in diameter and have a military style pin on the back. They are brass colored, and the center image is brightly colored. Inge Spaulding and her daughter, Karen, designed these pins and they are only available through CPLHS. Look for them on the order form on the back page.

#### **Electronic Newsletter**

If you want to help CPLHS save some money and help the environment at the same time, you can now choose to receive this newsletter in your e-mail. It costs us roughly \$1 for each copy, so each person that signs up will make a difference. Newsletters will be sent in a pdf format, which can be opened by any computer. You will receive it sooner, and there is no chance of getting lost in the mail. You have the option to print any or all of the pages. Plus, the paperless version will be in color!

Your e-mail address will be used strictly to send the newsletter, it will <u>never</u> be shared. To sign up to receive the newsletter in your e-mail, just send a message to Margaret Warren at crisppoint1904@yahoo.com and indicate that you would like to get your newsletter e-mailed.

#### **GPS**

If you use a GPS to guide you to the lighthouse, please do not start it up until you are already on CR-500. Then, you are assured of following the standard route. Otherwise, you may find yourself taking an unpleasant trip down logging roads or snowmobile trails.

#### Tell Us Your Story

How did you happen to visit Crisp Point Light for the first time? Have you had any exciting experiences while visiting? Send us your (short) story and we'll try and print it in a future newsletter. E-mail: crisppoint1904@yahoo.com

#### Sign the Visitor Log Book

Please make a point to sign the visitor log book each and every time you visit the light. This is the only way we can estimate the total number of visitors.

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#### Welcome!

We would like to thank all of the members who have recently renewed their memberships, and welcome the following new members:

#### New Single Members

Anthony Mastrogiacomo - Milford, MI Billy J. McCoy - Wausau, WI National Office Products & Printing -Sault Ste. Marie, MI Arthur Turner - Pleasant Lake, MI

#### New Family Members

Teri Beasley – Midland, MI Paul Coffelt – Bath, MI Kim & John Kotzian – Brooklyn, MI Lynn Wessel – Burlington, WI

#### New Lifetime Members

Eleanor Hastie – Mackinaw City, MI
Carl & Marcia Jahn – Smiths Creek, MI
Chuck & Cindie Nearhood – Toledo, OH
Raymond Paris Family – New Salem, PA
Ron & Julie Porritt – Hudsonville, MI

#### Membership Matters

Membership cards have been sent to everyone whose membership expires in 2011 and beyond. Members who renew this year will receive their card(s) when they renew. You will receive a reminder with your newsletter when your membership is about to expire. Members who have expired will receive a reminder before they are dropped from the list. If you have any questions about your membership or expiration date, please contact Margaret Warren by email: crisppoint1904@yahoo.com or phone: (734) 421-7512.

#### Thank you!

Thank you to John Raths for all the work he does fabricating items we need for the lighthouse, for restoring the buoy light and engraving the boards for the boardwalk.

Thank you to John Moore for building display cabinets for our new visitor center building, and engraving the boards for the boardwalk.

Thank you to Ben Musielak for his help moving the buoy weight.

Thank you to Chuck Nearhood and Stan Klein for their help with the recent cement work.

Thank you to Stan & Mary Klein and Rick Brockway for getting the newsletters from the printer and folding them. Thank you also to Mike, Lindsey and Marissa Warren for all their help getting the newsletters mailed.



#### **Our Members**

Did you know that CPLHS has members in 30 different states? Currently, we have about 468 members and they are spread around the whole country. Not surprisingly, Michigan has the most, with 303. Ohio is next with 46, then Wisconsin with 25, and Indiana with 21. Illinois and Minnesota are tied with 10 members each. The remaining 24 states have between 1 and 6 members living there.

Some of our members have to travel quite a distance to visit Crisp Point, but we've had visitors from even farther away. People from Poland, Canada, Japan and Germany have signed the visitor log book.

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#### **Lifetime Members**

**BOB & BECKY ANDERSON VERNON & JUDY BECKER** JONATHAN & KATHLEEN BEETON PATRICK & DOLORES BLOHM CYNTHIA M. BOYD ERIC L. BOYD GARY D. BOYD **RICK & TERRI BROCKWAY DAVE & JULIE BUCKMASTER PAUL BURNS FAMILY** MATTHEW CAMERON JAMIE LYNN CLARK MARGE COLAGROSS **BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY RYAN & MIRIAM CONNER** MARY COWLES **DAVID & JILL CRISP** FRANK & CAROL CRISP **DOUG & STACIE CROUCH** MICHAEL & DIANA DALTON **CRAIG & KARI DAVID FAMILY BOB & KAY DUBOIS** JOHN ALLEN & EDITH MAYNARD SALLY M. EDWARDS LARRY & DIXIE FARMER **RICH & GLORIA FITZSIMMONS** SMOKY MTN FLAME KEEPERS LYNN FORREST MARILYN J. FREITAG JANE GERTZ

JEAN GERTZ

**BOB & MARGARET GOLDTHORPE ETHAN & JESSICA GOOD GREAT LAKES LIGHTHOUSE FESTIVAL** ANN GRASSO DENNIS HALE MARY ELEANOR HARRIS **ELEANOR HASTIE BERNIE & DEANNE HELLSTROM KEN & KAREN HOLLEMAN** JOHN & ELIZABETH HYDE RICHARD S. JACKSON JR CARL & MARCIA JAHN CAL KARR FAMILY **GREGORY J. LANDSFIELD** TIM HARRISON /LIGHTHOUSE DIGEST **GREAT LAKES LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS NEWBERRY LIONS CLUB CAMERON LOVETT BETHANY MAKIDON** PAUL & BARBARA MASON MARK MATHER JOHN M. McCLEARY MARY McINTYRE **RUTH ANN MERSINO** JIM MICHAEL **DICK & MARGARET MOEHL** SPENCER MURFEY JR GREGG NANSON **CHUCK & CINDIE NEARHOOD** NEW ENGLAND LIGHTHOUSE FUND MIKE & JAN ODENWELLER SAULT TRIBE OF THE CHIPPEWA

RAYMOND PARIS FAMILY **RON & JULIE PORRITT** JEFF RATCLIFFE JOHN & DIANE RATHS **ROB & JEANNIE ROBBINS RICHARD & KATHY ROBINSON CHARLES & SHARON ROSS CRAIG & KIM ROSS TODD, MELISSA & SIERRA ROSS VIRBLE & EDITH ROSS** MARK ROSS FAMILY STEVE ROSS FAMILY HARVEY & KATHY SHERMAN STELLA SHISLER **DEE SMITH** STEVE KAREN RYAN KASEY SMITH **CHARLES & INGE SPAULDING** BRUCE & YVONNE SUMMEY SR. MICHAEL & CHRISTINE SUPINGER DIANNE M. SWEETER **GERARD & LYNETTE SZYDLOWSKI CRAIG & JUDY TAGGART TONY & MELANIE TATAROWICZ BUCKO TEEPLE MARVIN & JOY THEUT** W. BRUCE & PHYLLIS THOMAS EDWARD G. VOSS MIKE & MARGARET WARREN STEWART & NOREEN WARREN LARRY & ELAINE WATSON

**KEVIN WHITE** 

Name			Phone #_						
Address			E-Mail						
City		State		Zip					
Membership	New	1 year Single \$20.00		2 year single \$35.00					
	Renewal	1 year family \$30.00		2 year family \$50.00					
Donation	on I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$								
A lifetir	ne family membershi	comes with a donation of \$500 (may be tax o	eductible, c	onsult your tax adviser)					
Conference July	<b>, 17, 2010</b> \$10 pe	r person, 12 & under are free #	of people_	X \$10 = \$					

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CPLHS

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

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#### Concrete Work

A lot of work was accomplished out at the light in the last week of April. Volunteer keepers have had trouble in the past with their campers getting stuck in the sand. That will not be a problem anymore! A new concrete pad was poured, specifically for the volunteer keepers to park their campers. At the same time, a concrete pad was added for the buoy weight (see page 7), and the ramp to the visitor center was extended to make it easier for visitors with wheelchairs. Stan Klein, Chuck Nearhood and Rick Brockway did the concrete work.



Chuck Nearhood working on the camper parking pad.



The finished parking spot.



The ramp to the visitor center.



Rick Brockway working on the new step.

As you know, if you have visited the tower, the first step up to the service building is very tall. The boardwalk is being adjusted so that the step will be a normal height.



Rick and Chuck working on the step.

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The fund raiser for the Visitor Center is going to be ending soon. CPLHS wants to thank all those people who have already donated. If you want to help out by making a donation, or sponsoring a board, a door, or a bench, this is your last chance. There are still boards available in the boardwalk that can be engraved with the inscription of your choice. Many people have used these as a memorial to a loved one. Donations of any amount are gladly accepted. Anyone who donates at least \$100 or at least \$50, will be listed on a plaque to be hung inside the new building. With the addition of more boardwalk, we now have room for more benches. One bench is still available. If you would like to sponsor the bench, or either of the doors, please call or email first to make sure they are still available.

Name		
Address		
City, State,	Zip	
Phone		Email
Name to be 6	engrave	ed on board or plaque (32 characters, including spaces, maximum)  PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!
	\$800	Sponsor a bench. (PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL FIRST)
	\$900	Sponsor bathroom door, or utility room door. (CALL OR EMAIL FIRST)
	\$150	Sponsor a board
	\$100	Donation
	\$50	Donation
		Donation

Make checks out to: Crisp Point Light Historical Society

Please mail this form with your check to: Margaret Warren, 11030 Brookfield, Livonia, MI 48150

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

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#### **Buoy Weight**

Anyone who ever visited Don Ross at his house in Paradise is probably familiar with the buoy weight. A huge, heavy, rusty piece of metal, it was originally used to anchor a buoy in the water. This particular buoy was acquired by Carl Jahn several years ago. A tow truck had to be used to move it into Don's yard. Since it weighs 1,793 pounds, it has not moved since then. Last month, Ben Musielak used his tractor to lift the weight onto a trailer.



Ben moving the buoy weight to the trailer.



On the trailer.

Rick Brockway took the weight out to the light and removed it from the trailer by chaining it to a tree and driving away.



The weight as it currently sits.

There is now a small concrete pad that will hold the buoy weight, next to the ramp to the visitor center. As the weight is now laying upside down, the next challenge is to lift it and place it on the concrete.



This is the type of buoy that would have been anchored by the buoy weight.

#### CPLHS MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

Name

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

Address		E-Mail							
City			State Zip						
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Crisp Poin	t T-Shirt	"I Like My E	Beacon Cri	sp" on back, silk-screen	lighthouse	artwork o	n front		
S-M-L-XL	gray-white-navy-stone blue-			dk orange-sage green				\$15.00	
XXL	gray-wh	ite-navy-st	one blue-	dk orange-sage green				\$17.50	
XXXL			white-nav	/y				\$19.50	
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S-M-L-XL	navy							\$42.00	
XXL			navy					\$45.00	
XXXL			navy					\$48.00	
Crisp Poin	t Long Sle	eve T-Shirt	Heavy du	ty, silk screen of lightho	use, with e	mbroidere	ed lettering	5	
S-M-L-XL		brick re	d-gray-brig	ght orange				\$29.00	
XXL		brick re	d-gray-brig	ght orange				\$32.50	
Crisp Poin	t Denim Lo	ong Sleeve	<b>Shirt</b> Top	quality, embroidery at f	ront pocket	t			
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XXL			denim					\$39.50	
XXXL			denim					\$45.00	
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Crisp Point Denim Cap embroidered, made of stonewashed denim									
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				Crisp Point Lighthouse Ink Pen (black ink)				\$1.00	
MAIL TO:		LHS		Napkin Holder				\$10.00	
Rick Brockway				Architectural Survey Book				\$22.00	
450 W. Marr Rd Howell, MI 48855			Coffee Mug				\$10.00		
			Black Metal Silhouette 15" x 20"				\$25.00 \$35.00		
Shipping/Handling to U.S.			Black Metal Silhouette 21" x 28.5" "Crisp Point Landing" print by R. Mersino				\$10.00		
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