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QUARTERLY MEETING TO BE HELD AT CEDAR KEY LIGHTHOUSE!

THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by Wayne Hawes, President

Hello to everyone again.

Summer is upon us once again with family outings and vacations. Hopefully they will include a few lighthouses along the way.

For those of you that missed the Cape San Blas meeting, we had a good turn out and a great weekend. We were able to present a check for \$12,100 to Crooked River towards their restoration. This was a result of our Annual Appeal Campaign. A big Thank You to Charlotte Pearce and the St. Joseph's Historical Society for hosting us and to Danny Rafield for furnishing the scrumptious fish fry. I hope everyone will try to join us at Cedar Key in August.

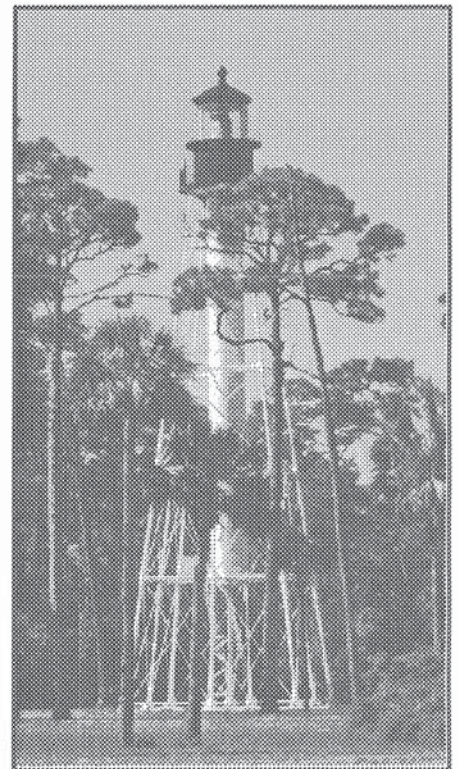
Our new Appeals Campaign will focus on the projected funding for the Florida Lighthouse License Plate project. Our goal is to raise \$30,000 toward the fees required by the state. We are in the process of re-evaluating the application procedure and will be proceeding with a formal application which is necessary to move forward. This project was voted

on at the Cape San Blas meeting and passed by an overwhelming majority. This license plate is projected to bring in \$200,000-\$400,000 annually based on previous history. Let's get behind this campaign and send your donations for the Annual Appeal to the FLA. If you know of any organizations or companies that might be interested in making a significant contribution, please contact a board member with that information.

Hope to see you all at Cedar Key in August.

Keep the flame.
Wayne Hawes

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June 16th Proclaimed Hillsboro Lighthouse

Proclamation

REQUESTED BY
MAYOR DIANA WASSERMAN-RUBIN
BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, the United States Post Office commissioned artist Howard Koslow to design the stamps for the Lighthouses in the Southeast Series which includes Old Cape Henry, Cape Lookout, Morris Island, Tybee Island, and Hillsboro Inlet. The captivating paintings of the 'silent sentinels' beautifully depict these historic aids to navigation; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society is hosting "Images of Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse," an exhibition of paintings and photographs by local artists celebrating the issuance of Broward County's first Postage Stamp, the Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse. The exhibition will open Sunday, June 22, 2003, and runs through August 31, 2003, at the New River Inn in Old Fort Lauderdale Village on Riverwalk; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse was built in 1907; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsboro Lighthouse Preservation Society, formed in 1997, successfully worked to save the Fresnel lens from being removed from the tower and to have it repaired in-place.

Today the all-volunteer membership Society works to advance the appreciation and knowledge of the Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse by organizing three lighthouse visits per year, publish four newsletters per year, and provide speakers with slide presentations for special occasions and for school programs; and

WHEREAS, the Broward County Historical Commission, whose mission is to recognize, protect, and support the historical interests of the communities of Broward County and serve as the advisory board to the County Commission of Broward County, Florida, was the lead agency in organizing the events and ceremony to honor Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

That the Board hereby proclaims Monday, June 16, 2003, as "HILLSBORO LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION SOCIETY DAY" in Broward County, Florida.

June 16, 2003
Date

BROWARD COUNTY FLORIDA

(Signature)
Mayor



June 16th Proclaimed Hillsboro Lighthouse

RADM Harvey E. Johnson Jr.

Commander, Seventh Coast Guard District

Remarks Delivered at Dedication of Hillsboro Lighthouse Stamp

June 16, 2003

There is something unique about lighthouses. They have provided a sense of safety and security for mariners, engendered the devotion of beginners, of loyal aficionados, and inspired countless painters, photographers, and authors for more than 200 years.

Each lighthouse has its own unique character and each is its own architectural masterpiece. Still today, despite many forms of modern electronic navigation, this lighthouse safely guides mariners along miles of coastline and warns them of potential dangers. Lighthouses appeal to mariners and landlubbers alike.

The first lighthouse in America was built in Boston Harbor in 1716. Since then, hundreds more have followed – each lending distinctive character to the communities they became a part of. The Hillsboro Light, a recognizable and historic structure here in Pompano Beach, has stood as an aid to navigation for almost a century. Constructed and lit in 1907 with a unique Fresnel lens, its octagonal skeleton structure was designed to withstand hurricane force winds. Today we celebrate the commemoration of Hillsboro Light in the Southeast Lighthouse series of the U.S. Postal Service. In so doing, we also celebrate the lighthouse's rich history.

When the U.S. Lighthouse Service was incorporated into the Coast Guard on July 7, 1939, our nation and the Coast Guard faced challenges similar to the ones we face today. The missions of homeland security, search and rescue, law enforcement, and aids to navigation continue to be as relevant and important to the safety and security of the United States as they were in 1939.

The Hillsboro Light played an integral role throughout its history in helping the Coast Guard fulfill many of its missions. During World War I and II, lookouts equipped with binoculars scanned the ocean for enemy ships and submarines, radio reports were relayed through a small station established at the lighthouse, and members of the Coast Guard Beach Patrol bunked in one of the storage buildings converted to a barracks. More recently, the Hillsboro Light has served as a backdrop to the numerous security and law enforcement patrols the Coast Guard has conducted over the past decades. Finally, the light has served, as it was always intended, as a reliable aid to navigation assisting mariners in the navigation up and down the Florida coast and in and out of Hillsboro Inlet.

We're here today to commemorate the lighthouse for its physical presence and functional service, but in our minds eye and in our hearts we're also here today to commemorate the lighthouse keepers, their assistants, and their families.

Alfred Berghill, Thomas Knight, Benjamin Stone served as keepers, and a number of privileged Coast Guard enlisted members have followed in the wake including the Miami Aids to Navigation Team, who today maintains this structure and its premises. For it is their devoted service that has truly added to the character that differentiates Hillsboro lighthouse from all others.

Later today we will be dedicating a site at the lighthouse for the "Barefoot Mailman" statue in honor of the men who delivered mail along the sandy coastline from Palm Beach to Miami. While technology has certainly changed the way the Postal Service and the Coast Guard performs their missions, it is important to recognize the contributions of the people who have gone before us; and the role that facilities, like the Hillsboro Light, have played in shaping our nation's history.

FLORIDA LIGHTHOUSE
ASSOCIATION, INC.
MEMBER MEETING MINUTES
Port St. Joe - Bicentennial Building
May 3rd, 2003

1. CALL TO ORDER. President Wayne Hawes called the member meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

2. INTRODUCTIONS. President Wayne Hawes introduced Charlotte Pierce, the president of the St. Joseph Historical Society. Charlotte Pierce welcomed FLA members and publicly thanked her volunteers for their help in putting together the meeting.

3. MINUTES. Secretary BonnieJean Exum was in attendance; minutes were deferred. BonnieJean reminded members that the Member Meeting Minutes were on the website.

4. REPORTS.

A. Treasurer's Report. Treasurer George Diller reported the Florida Lighthouses Association's Income and Expenses for the last quarter (January - April 2003) were as follows:

Income	\$11,314.70
Expenses	<u>\$ 4,982.02</u>
Total Income	<u>\$ 6,332.68</u>

Bank Balance	<u>\$54,302.89</u>
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George Diller notified the members that an additional \$1,000 would be taken from that amount to be given to Crooked River in addition to the donations that had been collected. George Diller reminded the members that there had been no newsletter expense, which costs approximately \$1,200 per quarter, due to a problem with the newsletter editor's computer.

B. Membership Report. Vice President for Membership, Linda Koestel, was not in attendance. President Wayne Hawes asked those in attendance that were not members of the Florida Lighthouse Association to join to help fund restoration of the Florida Lighthouses.

C. Fund Raising Report.

1) Vice President for Fund Raising, Judie Trotter suggested that members buy an extra FLA Lighthouse Trail Book and donate it to a local school. This suggestion not only helps with sales of the books, but also promotes education of the Florida Lighthouses to children. Judie Trotter also notified members that the association has developed a lighthouse word search, puzzle, and word scramble that she gives out to kids during her school presentations. The answers to the puzzles are in the FLA Lighthouse Trail Book. The D'Amicol's will work with the association's website manager to put the lighthouse games on the website for others to enjoy.

2) President Wayne Hawes notified members that there were still 8 Lighthouse Credit Foundation Cook Book available for sale for \$20.00 at the FLA booth along with the FLA pins and patches.

D. Meetings And Special Events.

1) Tom Taylor notified the board that the June 6th - 8th Dry Tortugas trip was still on schedule. Friday, June 6th, members would be treated to the original lantern that is believed to have once been in the Northwest Passage Lighthouse in 1921. The lantern is currently in a faux lighthouse located on Key Largo. The faux lighthouse was built in 1959 and was restored recently by its current owners.

Saturday, June 7th, members will be taken to the two Dry Tortugas lighthouses. The Park Service now has full control of the lighthouses, but Captain Jaeger of the US Coast Guard has offered a Coast Guard

guide for the trip. This may be the last time the lighthouse will be open to the public.

Sunday, June 9th, members will be taken to American Shoal and Sand Key. Tom Taylor was hoping to have the boats leave from Key West, but may have to leave from Big Pine Key instead. Details will be set by the trip day. *Members can get more information on this event on the FLA website.*

2) Upcoming meetings were as follows (The board was still working on the upcoming years meeting places and would notify members as soon as the schedule was complete - Ponce Inlet seems very interested in having our association.):

August 2nd, 2003 Cedar Keys
October 11th, 2003
Cape Canaveral

The Cape Canaveral Lighthouse will only be open to the fourth level for members to tour.

3) Vice President of Special Events and Meetings, David D'Amicol, notified members that the Cedar Keys Lighthouse would be holding its Open Houses on July 12th, October 18th, and October 19th. David asked members to attend the August meeting instead of the Open House because we would be holding a special presentation during the meeting on the history of the Lighthouse.

E. Website Report. Website Manager, Tim VeArd, notified members that the Florida Lighthouse Association member has had over 45,000 visitors to its site. That is an average of 2,500 to 5,000 hits per month and most are made of out-of-state visitors. Tim estimates that about 40% of the traffic is for Paul Bradley's sketches. Tim publicly thanked Paul Bradley for donating the lighthouse sketches to the Florida Lighthouse Association to put on the website.

Tim asked members to continue to email pictures they have taken of the Florida Lighthouses. Email to tim@veard.com

F. Education Report.

1) Hib Casselberry, Chairman of Education, notified members that he received a letter from C.K. Smith in Tallahassee that thanked the FLA for their continued support of the State History Fair. The FLA sent \$300.00 to be distributed to anyone that used a lighthouse(s) as the subject of their history submission. So far there has been no history project submitted using a lighthouse as the subject. If there aren't any lighthouse submissions, the monies will be refunded to the FLA.

2) Hib Casselberry notified members that he handed over the education books and information he collected at the Education Seminar in North Carolina over to Dianne Levi, who has volunteered to help with the Education Committee.

F. President's Report. President Wayne Hawes notified members that Glen Swigart has been working with Vice President Kathy Fleming on contacting the legislator regarding the lighthouse license plate. Glen will notify the board of the fees and procedures by the next meeting.

President Wayne Hawes and Secretary BonnieJean Exum called for a vote by

the FLA members present regarding the Annual Appeal. The appeal for Crooked River Lighthouse has been closed and a new lighthouse must be picked. The board, during the board meeting, decided to allow the present membership to decide whether the annual appeal should be used to help pay the application fees that will be charged to get the lighthouse license plate or should be used toward a lighthouse in need. If the association is unable to get the license plate, the money will then be used instead for a lighthouse in need. (The board has decided to create a committee that will survey all the lighthouses in Florida to find the most needful lighthouse.) The board should know by the next quarterly meeting where the money will be directed. The Florida Lighthouse Association currently has \$5,000 in their budget to go toward the application fee.

A decision was opened and many questions were presented. All but four FLA members at the meeting agreed to have the annual appeal be used toward license plate application fees.

G. Newsletter Report. President Wayne Hawes notified members that the last quarterly newsletter was unable to be mailed to the FLA members due to a problem with Newsletter Publisher Barbara McClure's computer. As stated at the last quarterly meeting, Barbara McClure will be unable to continue as the association's publisher and a replacement is needed. Anyone interested in publishing or helping to publish the newsletter, please email Wayne Hawes at: whawes1@tampabay.rr.com

5. LIGHTHOUSE REPORTS. See Page 6

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS.

A. Charlotte Pierce, the president of the

St. Joseph Historical Society, spoke about her family's memories of the Cape San Blas Lighthouse and gave FLA members the lighthouse update.

B. Paul Bradley handed out several different Lighthouse prints to interested FLA members. Mr. Bradley gave a small speech of his experience at each Lighthouse represented in the prints.

7. ADJOURNMENT. The member meeting was adjourned at 12:05 a.m.

Submitted by:
BonnieJean Exum, Secretary of the Florida Lighthouse Association

A. Amelia Island. Grant has been received by the state and a contract has been signed with International Chimney to do the restoration of the tower. Those that were able to make the Open House on April 25th had a great time. Hal Belcher of the Amelia Island Lighthouse gave a Historical presentation of the lighthouse and the range lights that once guided ships into the harbor. Visitors were able to take pictures and look into the tower, but were unable to climb due to the sad condition of the steps. There are hopes to have another Open House before the end of the year, but with construction possibly starting soon, plans aren't definite. If another Open House is scheduled, it will be posted on the website.

B. St. Johns. No New Report.

C. St. Augustine. The lighthouse had a wonderful Lighthouse Festival in March, Bill Younger of Harbour Lights was present to sign visitors Harbour Lights. St. Augustine is planning a Lighthouse Seminar November 11th – 14th, 2003; lighthouse representatives and the general public are invited. *Members can get more information on this event on the Calendar of Events on the FLA website.*

D. Ponce Inlet. The restoration of the third order lens is still ongoing. They have contacted Wayne Hawes and notified him that they are interested in hosting one of our meetings next year.

Cape Canaveral. Grant money for restoration on the Oil House has been approved, but the Air Force is still waiting to receive the money. The debate whether the original roof on the Oil House was copper or tin is still on going, but the Air Force has decided to go with copper. The original door to the Oil House has been found, but can't be used; it will be put on display instead. Hinges have caused cracks to the bricks of the lighthouse and the lighthouse needs to be painted. There is also a safety issue regarding the outside railing of the lantern room and the inside of the lighthouse also needs work. Air Force is in charge of the upkeep of the lighthouse and is currently applying for the money to do so. Society will be presented with an award for the 2000 restoration of the Jupiter Island Lighthouse. Florida residents interested in visiting the lighthouse in August will receive a two for one admission with proof of residence.

F. Jupiter. The Florida Lighthouse Association had an outstanding January meeting, members that were present were able to climb the tower, DuBois House, and the Jupiter Island Historical Museum. On May 17th, 2003 the

Loxahatchee Historical Society will be presented with an award for the 2000 restoration of the Jupiter Island Lighthouse. Florida residents interested in visiting the lighthouse in August will receive a two for one admission with proof of residence.

G. Hillsboro Inlet. The U.S. Postal Service will be presenting the Hillsboro Inlet Lighthouse as one of five Atlantic Lighthouses on this year's stamps. A special stamp cancellation is scheduled for June 14th at the lighthouse. The lighthouse will be open for climbing for members of the Hillsboro Lighthouse Preservation Society, a shuttle bus will transport all visitors. (Membership to the society is \$25.00 per individual or \$35.00 per family). The observation deck is currently under restoration and will be closed until work is complete. Visitors will be able to climb the tower, but will not be allowed outside of the lantern room. Check out their website for more information:
www.hillsborolighthouse.org

H. Cape Florida. No New Report.

I. Reef Lights. The Florida Keys Reef Light Foundation (FKRLF) is currently working on opening a museum to promote education and interest in the reef lights. The foundation was trying to work with the City of Marathon, but the result of such is unsure. The FKRLF is now looking to open the museum on Key Largo. More information will be given as it progresses.

**July 20th marked the 150th
Anniversary of the Lighting of the
Sand Key Lighthouse in 1853.**

The FKRLF is selling items at the Hillsboro Lighthouse Preservation Society table. Shirts and prints of the Reef Lights, sketched by Paul Bradley, are available for sale.

J. Key West. No New Report.

K. Sanibel Island. No New Report.

L. Port Boca Grande. No New Report.

M. Boca Grande Rear Range Light. No New Report.

N. Egmont Key. The Egmont Key Alliance (EKA) will be hosting its next "Discover the Island" Open House October 4th & 5th, 2003. The tower will be open for visitors to admire, but will not be open for climbing.

O. Anclote Key. Restoration of the light has begun. International Chimney has been contracted to do the work for an approximate \$1.2 million. The Gulf Islands Alliance and the Tampa Bay Harbour Lights Collectors Club will be hosting a "Re-Lite the Light" Ceremony on September 13th, 2003. Bill Younger of Harbour Lights will be there to sign visitors Harbour Lights. *Members can get more information on this event on the Calendar of Events on the FLA website*

P. Cedar Keys. The University of Florida is currently doing work to the lighthouse. Rotted sliding, wood, and steps have been replaced. The plumbing is being worked on and a group of FLA volunteers will be replacing the boards on the catwalk outside of the lantern room.

The lighthouse will be open for touring July 12th, October 18th and October 19th. Also, the third quarterly FLA meeting will be held August 2nd, 2003 on Cedar Key and tours of the Lighthouse and Graveyard will follow the meeting.

Q. St. Marks. No New Report.

R. Crooked River. Barbara Revell of the Carrabelle Lighthouse Association notified members the fence around the lighthouse has been fixed and plants planted around it. They have also been working with Ken Smith and International Chimney regarding the extend of the restoration that needs to be done before the lighthouse can be opened to the public.

FLA President Wayne Hawes and Treasurer George Diller presented Barbara with a check of \$12,100.00 from donations to the Annual Appeal. Barbara publicly thanked the Florida Lighthouse Association and all the dedicated members of the Carrabelle Lighthouse Association. President Wayne Hawes thanked Barbara

Revell for her dedication and hard work to save the Crooked River Lighthouse.

S. Cape San Blas. The county signed a lease with the government for the lighthouse and property. They have been awarded a \$35,000 historical grant to do restoration on the lighthouse and keepers quarters and welcome individual donations. The Keeper's Quarters, which will be open for members to tour, was renovated by the Air Force before they left the property. Members will also be able to climb the light. Members are asked not to park where the shallow pipe signs are.

T. Cape St. George. No New Report.

U. St. Joseph. Owner and FLA member Danny Rafield notified members that they were currently repainting the lighthouse. He told of the painstaking hours and time that has been put into restoring the lighthouse. He also notified members that a fire destroyed the lantern room before it could be placed on the lighthouse. Danny plans to rebuild the lantern room. He will keep the FLA updated on the lighthouse's progress. FLA members will not be able to tour his light, but are welcome to walk onto his property and take pictures.

V. Pensacola. The lighthouse will be opening for tours starting tomorrow. The tours will be held on Sundays from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. (until October 26th, when they have their Halloween Tour). Visitors must use the back gate onto the Navy Base (off of Blue Angel Blvd). The Travel Channel filmed a program at the lighthouse the first week of April and will add it to its "Ghost Light" series. The program should run in October, Dianne Levi will keep members informed as to when the program will run.



Lighthouse News – Jupiter Inlet

Great link exposed in the July 18, 2003 edition of the Palm Beach Post.

<http://www.palmbeachpost.com/accent/content/accent/photos/lighthouse1.html>

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SUNRISE & SUNSET TOURS AT LIGHTHOUSE

Jupiter, FL: The Loxahatchee River Historical Society is pleased to announce an exclusive opportunity to take a tour of the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse (located in Lighthouse Park, 500 Captain Armour's Way, South Beach Road & US Hwy 1 in Lighthouse Park) at sunrise on July 28 and at sunset on August 16. Each tour requires a reservation and each tour is limited to 15 people. Admission for each tour is \$15 each. This is the first time the Lighthouse has offered these tours.

The sunrise tour will run from 6:00 am to 7:00 am on Monday, July 28 with coffee and muffins on the Visitor Center's veranda. The sunset tour will run from 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm on Saturday, August 16. For reservations, please call the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse at 561.747.8380.

For the best view in Palm Beach County, climb the 105 steps to the top of the 108-foot Lighthouse atop a 48-foot Native American archaeological site. First lit in 1860, the award-winning restored Jupiter Inlet lighthouse continues to serve as an active aid to navigation and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Lighthouse climbers must sign a waiver to be allowed on the property. For safety reasons, proper footwear is necessary and all climbers must be at least 48" tall. No bags are permitted on the tour.

Normal operating hours of the Lighthouse are Saturday - Wednesday, 10 AM - 4 PM, with the last tour allowed at 3:15 PM. Closed Thursday and Friday. A 15-minute video depicting the history of the beacon is free and shown continuously at the Visitor Center. Admission for the tour is \$6 for all visitors, weather permitting. A unique gift shop is also available featuring books and souvenirs.

Don't forget, the month of August is 2-for-1-admission for all Florida residents with a proper Florida State I.D. card at the Lighthouse



This project has been financed in part with Historical Museums Grants-in-Aid Program assistance provided by the Bureau of Historical Museums, Division of Historical Resources, Florida Department of State, Glenda Hood, Secretary of State.

Hours & Admission: The Loxahatchee River Historical Museum is open to the public Tues.-Fri., from 10 am-5 pm, Sat.-Sun., from 12 pm-5 pm. Summer Admission is \$3 per person until September 20. The lighthouse is open, Sat.-Wed., from 10 am-4 pm. The last tour leaves at 3:15 pm. Admission is \$6 for all visitors. The DuBois Pioneer Home is open Wednesday and Sunday, from 1 pm-4 pm. Closed in August and September. Admission is \$2 each.

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The Loxahatchee River Historical Society, located in Jupiter, Florida, is a unique cultural and educational institution, which operates the Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse, DuBois Pioneer Home, and the Loxahatchee River Historical Museum.

Florida Lights Project Update

BLM KEEPS OWNERSHIP OF LIGHTHOUSES

I heard from Jamie Stuve, Executive Director of the Loxahatchee River Historical Society (LRHS manages the Jupiter Inlet lighthouse) today. She and her organization have been waiting to know how that property would proceed with transfer of ownership from the Coast Guard to another agency.

The property under the lighthouse is controlled by Bureau of Land Management (BLM) rather than administered by General Services Administration for the USCG (as with St. Augustine.) Jamie let me know today that BLM will **keep the lighthouse property** as the CG surpluses it.

The BLM will use a **community partnership** of the city, museum and other groups to manage the land. Preserving the natural areas around this lighthouse is of priority. And we know that this is an award winning restoration thanks to LRHS as well as CWO Cocking and his lens expertise. Under the new partnership, the LRHS will still give tours and be in charge of historical issues.

This decision will impact other lighthouses in similar situations. The BLM has taken an extremely positive approach to partnerships inside lighthouse communities. We should all be supportive of that effort as we learn more.

There is a ceremony at Jupiter Inlet this month to celebrate the new arrangement and the strong partnership effort in support of environment, the historic site, etc. I hope to have an opportunity to attend.

FINDING OUT MORE?

I am hopeful that we'll have a BLM representative at the November seminars in St. Augustine (See Below). I have had some positive response from good folks in California where positive partnership models are abundant. Florida issues are decided in the BLM office in Jackson, MS.

If we get representation we can discuss how this all works, ask questions and meet nice people. It will be important for other BLM lights such as St. Marks to move through this change smoothly.

Perhaps we can also get an update soon from D7 about how many lights are impacted and how fast this might move forward, now that a system is in place. If you haven't met LCDR Harvey, to whom CAPT Jaeger handed off duties, the can report that we are batting 1000 as we have another very helpful, knowledgeable and right-minded fellow in place.

Preservation Q&A

For those of you in the preservation field.... I have a question! I'd like to know who is responsible for Section 106 reviews and adherence to the 1966 National Historic Preservation Act under a community partnership effort? I am sure there is a good answer. We have also invited the SHPO's to attend the seminar and hopefully they'll weigh in. If anyone knows how this works...fill me in. It may depend on the partnership agreement and the status of the lighthouse as an historic property.

INFO NEEDED ON YOUR LIGHTS!

How are each of your organizations doing? Please let me know what else is going on with each of you. As I gather information, I'll be in touch. Again, I'm hopeful that Jamie's experience in Jupiter will be a helpful one for all of us in setting up a positive partnership model.

AWARD for ST. AUGUSTINE

The St. Augustine Lighthouse has won a National Preservation Award from the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The award ceremony to us and 14 other winners across the United States is in Denver in October.

DATES for SO YOU WANT TO OWN A LIGHTHOUSE seminar in St. Augustine.

November 11-14. Seminar sessions will begin on the 12th. An opening reception will be on November 11th at the St. Augustine Lighthouse. The GSA, USCG and NPS are confirmed as are a host of participants and lighthouse managers from around the United States. I am sending out hotel information and a speakers application form to all this week. If you want to attend and need travel funds apply. **Harbour Lights Corporation** has provided three travel stipends for small organizations who want to learn about this issue. Please express your thanks to Bill Younger and team for his support of lighthouses. Also the United States Lighthouse Society, the American Lighthouse Coordinating Committee, Cullen Chambers and a host of other organizations and individuals deserve thanks and praise....

Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds

If you haven't yet contacted your federal representative in the house about the importance of Transportation Enhancement Funds to historic lighthouse preservation, please do so today. If you need to know more, please contact the FLA at info@floralighthouses.org.

Kathy Fleming - EVP, FLA.

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