

WHISKEY POINT LIGHTHOUSE – END OF SEASON REPORT

November 1, 2023

Open two days a week – Wednesday 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm and Saturday 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm from 4th of July to Labor Day

Total Visitors: 782 Children: 202 Donations: \$1,137 Township Account: \$6,831.59

Tour Guide Volunteers: Rita Peirano, Craig Peirano, Deb Harris, Cynthia Pryor

Township Maintenance: Joel Meintsma

Advisor: Lori Taylor-Blitz, Historical Society

Lighthouse T-shirts: Deb Harris – Deb’s Creations

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NEXT YEAR:

1. Add a railing on outside steps attaching to concrete steps – Chris Harris will contract
2. Ability to secure windows mid flight to stay open – JMeintsma will figure out
3. Obtain a few more volunteers and extend open times:
 - Wednesday 5-7pm worked well
 - Change Saturday to 11am to 1pm
 - Add Sunday 1pm to 3pm
 - Ask Historical Society if they want to do another evening in week
 - Open Holiday Weekends
4. Open to private tours for Family Reunions, Weddings etc. Need two-week notice
5. Put Whiskey Point Lighthouse on Island Tour – CPryor
6. Work on Treasure Box for Children, better handouts and display materials (rigid) Stamp for hand – CPryor
7. Continue offering Lighthouse T-shirts and develop a better donation box – DHarris

MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Cosmetic stucco replacement on doorway/entrance - JM
2. Scrape and clean interior before season opens – JM
3. Determine best way to control spiders and hornets - JM/C Peirano
4. Continue to investigate good flexible sealing paints for exterior - ALL
5. Wait on painting interior until exterior is sealed
6. Township needs assess property around lighthouse for sink holes, old anchor rods etc. to make property more safe

BUILDING FUNDING:

1. Work on Lighthouse Assessment Grant over the winter
2. Investigate a project that will get more donations: ie: Make the Lighthouse property more appealing with landscaping – ie picket pocket gardens at old Lighthouse entrance – NEEDS TO BE A BEAUTIFUL PARK! – R/C Peirano