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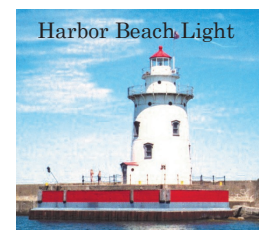
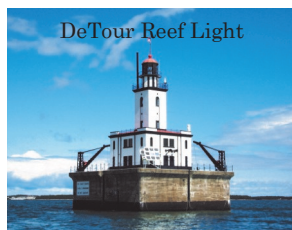
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*We'll Keep the Light on for You!*

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## The Historic Bottomlands Use Agreement for Off Shore Lighthouses



DeTour Reef Light Transferred to DRLPS  
Harbor Beach Light Transferred to the City of Harbor Beach

After 12 years of dedicated volunteer effort, the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society (DRLPS) received the deed and ceremonial key to the DeTour Reef Light from the Federal Government.

Application for Ownership of the DeTour Reef Light under the terms of the National Historic Lighthouse Preservation Act of 2000 (NHLPA) was submitted to the National Park Service (NPS) on December 31, 2004. The application was extensively prepared by Dave Bardsley, Chuck Feltner, Jeri Baron Feltner, and Clif Haley. The NPS informed DRLPS that it was the best application they had received to date and planned to use it as the “example” for other applications. The National Park Service recommended approval of the application and Gayle Norton, then Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior, approved the application on August 17, 2005.

However, the insistence by the State of Michigan that DRLPS agree to a bottomlands agreement or lease that gave control of the lighthouse to the state and in some instances could conflict with the requirements of the NHLPA created years of delay. This delay in the transfer affected not only DeTour Reef Light but also many of the other off-shore lights including Harbor Beach Light.

Finally an agreement was reached in November 2009. Clif Haley, DRLPS legal counsel, Buzz Hoerr, Michigan Lighthouse Alliance President and Harbor Beach Preservation Society President, Dave Bardsley, DRLPS President, and Carol Linteau, DEQ Maritime Culture Advisor, worked to put together a solid agreement.

Both Hoerr and Haley praised Carol Linteau and the staff of the DEQ for their work to craft this agreement. “Carol kept things moving internally and brought a fresh perspective to a very complex issue” said Haley. “She and her colleagues wanted this to work to help save Michigan’s offshore lights and she helped us with our historic mission while protecting the interests of the people of Michigan.” said Hoerr.

“Together we negotiated an agreement that protects the bottomlands held in trust by Michigan citizens while making it as simple as possible for dedicated preservation groups to continue their critical work of protecting our lighthouses as precious symbols of Michigan’s maritime heritage,” said Linteau. “

The DRLPS formally obtained ownership of the lighthouse on June 17, 2010. A celebration of the title transfer was held on August 30<sup>th</sup> at the Eastern Upper Peninsula Fine Arts Center.



The Transfer Team left to right:  
Arthur Ullenberg, U. S. General Services Administration, Property Specialist;  
Buzz Hoerr, MLA President and HBLPS President;  
Dave Bardsley, DRLPS President;  
Clif Haley, DRLPS Director and legal advisor;  
Carol Linteau, Michigan Port and Maritime Advisor, Department of Natural Resources and Environment

(photo by Jeri Baron Feltner, June 17, 2010)

## The Battle is Won!!

In the past years the DRLPS and the weekend light keepers have won the battle over many unique combatants. First there were the spiders. Thanks to the efforts and skill of Steve Gilbert from End of the Trail Pest Control the spiders are history or at least under control.

In the spring of 2007 a misdirected merganser found her way into the basement through an exhaust pipe. Meade Gable our charter captain extraordinaire gently caught and released her to fly again over the waters of Lake Huron and the St. Mary's River. Brian Nettleton found the entry point (and let a bat out) and covered the pipe with mesh so no other flying creatures could come in to visit.

But the fiercest and longest battle that has been waged has been against the "donations" that the gulls, and other birds leave on the deck. (That's probably why it's been referred to as the Poop Deck.) The DRLPS takes great pride in making the following announcement:

**TO ALL LIGHTHOUSE AFICIONADOS BUT MOSTLY TO THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED UNDER THE ONSLAUGHTS OF THE SEAGULLS AT THE DETOUR REEF LIGHT, HERE IS THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR. NO LONGER MUST YOUR DAY ON THE LIGHT BEGIN WITH THE CRUNCHING UNDER FOOT OF THE LITTER FROM LAST NIGHT'S GALA GULL GATHERING ON THE LIGHTHOUSE PIER DECK. THE DRLPS HAS INSTALLED AN ELECTRONIC BIRD REPELLER TO RESCUE US FROM THE SMELL AND THE MESS!!!**



For the first 5 years of the DRLPS Keeper program, the first job of the Volunteer Light Keepers has been to clean up the pier deck in preparation for the lighthouse tours. The power washer got a workout during the summer. It always looked great after a cleaning, but within a short time, the seagulls were back visiting and leaving their marks behind.

DRLPS tried a variety of attacks on the visiting seagulls. Rubber snakes were placed around the light to scare them away. That worked as long as the snakes were moving, which the rubber variety didn't. Next an artificial owl was perched on one of the railings. When a gull was spotted perched on the owl, the DRLPS knew that approach wasn't going to work.

Finally Director Clif Haley found the solution. After testing it out on his dock, he recommended the electronic bird repeller to the Society and it was installed at the beginning of the 2010 keeper and tour season.

This electronic marvel plays not only the calls of raptors delighted to find their next meal, but it also plays the cries of gulls in distress. No gull in their right mind is going to be the first to see if the menu of sounds emanating from the lighthouse is genuine or not. They keep flying and don't stop at the light. But don't just take the DRLPS' word for it. Here the unsolicited testimonials copied from the log book at the DeTour Reef Light:

"Those who have never been here before will NEVER know the miracle of it (the electronic bird repeller). Those who have been here before, REJOICE!!! and never forget our fight against the seagulls. The battle is won!!!"

"In so many ways it has decreased work and increased the quality of the lighthouse stay!"

"Seagulls avoid landing here now - the recording of desperate gulls is unbelievably effective."

"The seagull repeller can be a bit annoying, but, consider the alternative! Every so often a gull will fly by to test out the repeller, but so far the repeller is winning."

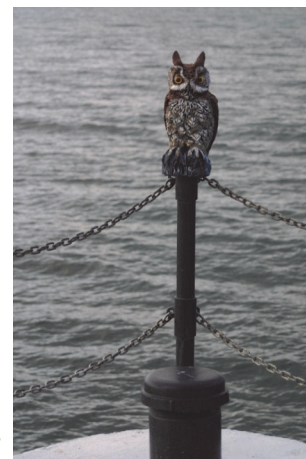
From John Covell, volunteer of long standing, "I must say that the electronic bird repeller is a much needed step in the right direction. The model that we have installed at DeTour Reef Light features several different programs equipped to deal with a variety of bird pests; it's all spelled out in the instruction manual. Volume is adjustable, as is the frequency of its alarm or broadcast."

The solution that the DRLPS used is a reasonably priced product called Bird-X. The company describes their product as follows: "Bird-X's electronic solutions consist of sonic, ultrasonic and laser technology, and are used in conjunction with many of their products such as netting, bird spikes, coyote replicas, predator owls and other repellants to create the most comprehensive approach to eliminate pest birds and other pest animals. Bird-X products, used in a wide variety of markets, prevent the spread of disease and create the cleanest and safest environment possible." (www.bird-x.com)



Come visit the DeTour Reef Light next summer and verify for yourself that the mess on the deck is a thing of the past! The Light-keeper program will begin on Friday June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011 and the first tour will be on June 18<sup>th</sup>.

Nella Gries and Janelle Dudeck  
cleaning off the deck



## Mark Your Calendars for 2011 at the DeTour Reef Light Special Tour Discount for families

### Father's Day Cruise

Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>  
Anne Stafford 906-297-6051  
email rivercruise@drlps.com

### Lighthouse Tours

Saturday June 18  
Saturday June 25  
Saturday July 2  
Saturday July 9  
Saturday July 16  
Saturday July 23  
Saturday July 30  
Saturday August 6  
**Sunday August 14 (Note Sunday Tour)**  
Saturday August 20  
Saturday August 27

Tour information call  
John and Sunny Covell  
616-874-9458 (winter)  
906-493-5648 (June thru September)  
Email tours@drlps.com

### Evening Under the Stars

Friday July 8<sup>th</sup>  
Judi Bailey Martin 906-493-6581  
email starsevent@drlps.com

### Light Keeper Weekends

Friday June 17 – Sunday June 19  
Friday June 24 – Sunday June 26  
Friday July 1 – Sunday July 3  
Friday July 8 – Sunday July 10  
Friday July 15 – Sunday July 17  
Friday July 22 – Sunday July 24  
Friday July 29 – Sunday July 31  
Friday August 5 – Sunday August 7  
Friday August 12 – Sunday August 14  
Friday August 19 – Sunday August 21  
Friday August 26 – Sunday August 28

For keeper information  
Dave Bardsley at 906-493-6609  
Email keepers@drlps.com

John Covell – Tour Guide, Tour visitors  
Kimberly and Mark Derwent and their  
daughters, Mary and Hannah

In order to make tours more affordable to families, the DRLPS Board has approved a 50% discount policy for children accompanied by their parents. Since the tour price includes the cost of the charter boat and captain the lighthouse tour program has typically been run at a loss (unless the boat is filled to its limit of five tourists and two tour guides). By offering this family discount DRLPS anticipates a win – win situation of making the lighthouse more accessible to families and increasing the average number of tour visitors per boat trip. For tour information go to [www.drlps.com](http://www.drlps.com) and click on "Visit the Lighthouse/Tour the Lighthouse" or email [tours@drlps.com](mailto:tours@drlps.com).



# THIS SUMMER WITH THE DRLPS

**Ladies of the Light**— l to r -Jeri Baron Feltner, Sandy Wytiaz, Dottie Witten, Janelle Dudeck, Angie Leonard, and Paula Bardsley, Paula scrubbing and Dotty washing



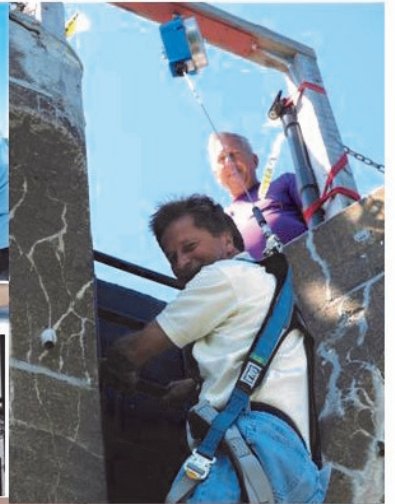
**Father's Day Cruise** —above l to r-Wayne & Delores Weber and Joanne & Ron Evans, Going through the Soo Locks

**Stars**—below l to r—Lynne Coulter, Ivan Meade Gable, Candis Collick, Sandy & Steve Staley, Jim & Barb Gusfa



Pictures by: Jeri Baron Feltner, Ann Method Green, Sunny Covell, Gail VanderStoep, Dave Bardsley, Chuck Feltner and Meade Gable

**Tours and Light Keepers**—clock wise—Rita Carleski, Marcia Walsworth coming up the lader and Gordon Snyder Brian Conway leaving the Light. Daniel Koski-Karell heading up to the tower. Group on tour in the basement



**Celebration**— below l to r Clif Haley, Roy and Judi Martin, BMCS Richard Berg, USCG with transfer plaque, Dave Bardsley, Directors and Chairs of the DRLPS



**Guys on the Light**— l to r Chuck Feltner, Brian Nettleton, John Witten, and Dave Bardsley, Brian on the crane lubricating pulley bearings.



## DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society Designated Preserve America Steward by First Lady Michelle Obama

WASHINGTON, D.C.— DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society (DRLPS) was honored recently when Michelle Obama, First Lady of the United States, designated it as one of the nation’s newest Preserve America Stewards.

“Preserve America Stewards are committed to preserving America’s diverse heritage, and their work demonstrates how individuals who care deeply about serving their country and their communities can make a difference,” Mrs. Obama said. “I thank and commend the volunteers of DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society for protecting our nation’s historic treasures. You set a wonderful example for our young people, the future stewards of our heritage, while also improving the quality of life and economic vitality of our nation.”

David J. Bardsley, President of the DRLPS, received a letter August 2, 2010 and a certificate of designation signed by Mrs. Obama announcing that DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society is now a Preserve America Steward. Designation as a Preserve America Steward provides national recognition for programs that successfully use volunteers to help care for our historic and cultural heritage. Benefits include use of the Preserve America logo on educational and promotional materials and listing in a Web-based directory that showcases DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society volunteer efforts to care for important historic resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

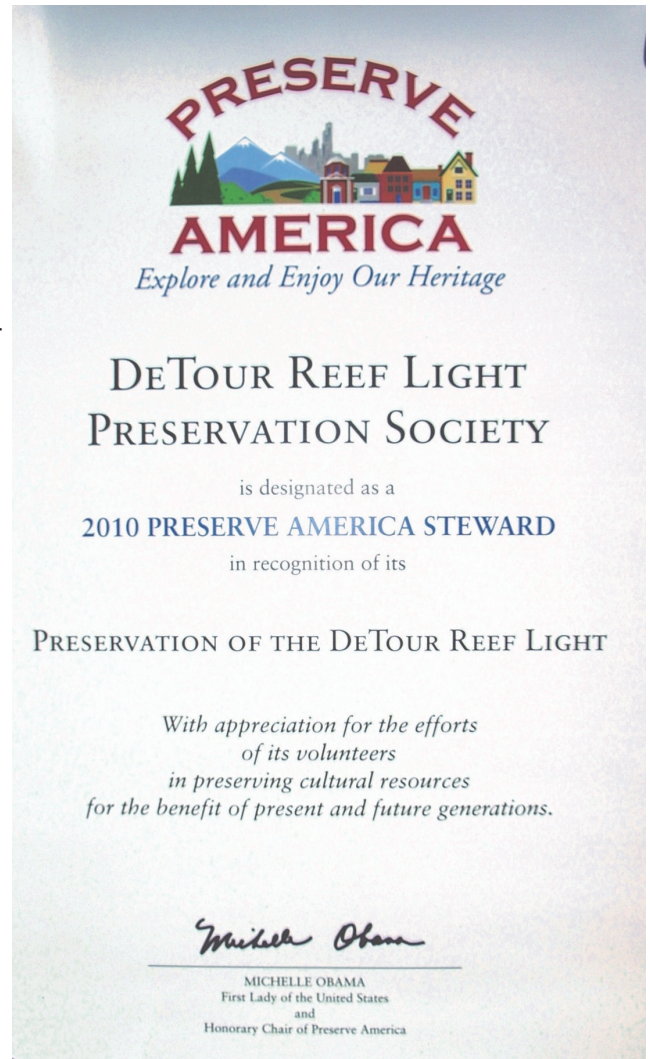
The Preserve America program became an authorized part of the national historic preservation program when President Barack Obama signed the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 on March 30, 2009. The Preserve America program is a federal effort to encourage and support community efforts to preserve and enjoy America’s priceless cultural and natural heritage. The goals of the initiative include a greater shared knowledge about the nation’s past; strengthened regional identities and local pride; increased local participation in preserving the country’s cultural and natural heritage assets; and support for the economic vitality of our communities.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation administers the Preserve America program with the Department of the Interior, in cooperation with 10 other federal agencies. For more information visit [www.achp.gov](http://www.achp.gov) and [www.preserveamerica.gov](http://www.preserveamerica.gov).

Information received from : ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 803 Washington, DC 20004 Phone: 202-606-8503 Fax: 202-606-8647 [www.PreserveAmerica.gov](http://www.PreserveAmerica.gov).



DRLPS is the first volunteer group in Michigan to receive this award. The designation happened because of the dedication of the Society members. The DeTour Reef Light is a proud testament to what our members can accomplish!



*This is the fourth of a four part series.*

## Keepers of the DeTour Reef Light

Stories shared by members of the U. S. Coast Guard that Served on the Light to Dr. Charles Feltner, Historian DRLPS  
Compiled and written by Ann Method Green, PR Chair for DRLPS

### Acknowledgment

Most of the information in this article came from a video recording of an interview conducted by DRLPS members Chuck Feltner, Russ Norris, and Donnie Stefanski on August 31, 2008. Participating in this interview were several former US Coast Guard people who either served on the Lighthouse or supported its activities. Actual participants were Gene Anderson, Floyd Colvin, John Gretka, Jerry Livingston, Eric Olsen, Bob Soldenski, John DeAngelis, John Massey, and Jim Woodward. Marvin Kurkierewicz and James P. Williams also contributed to the article in separate interviews. Some of the material from the video recording of the interview has been placed on the DRLPS website ([www.drlps.com](http://www.drlps.com)).

### Foghorn stories

Foghorns can be very deceptive on the water. They can be heard, but it's difficult to know what direction the sound is coming from. Two of the Light's crewmen knew this and they were coming back from a trip to shore in zero visibility with no compass. One of the guys thought that if they watched the wake, it would show them the direction they were traveling. As long as the wake was straight they were heading to the Light. They ended up on the rocks at Frying Pan Island. So much for navigating using the wake.

When the foghorn was active, the crews had about one minute to fall asleep before the next signal, and they joked that they learned to talk with a seven second pause.



From left to right: Chuck Feltner, DRLPS Historian, with past USCG Keepers Bob Soldenski, Marvin Kurkierewicz, Floyd Colvin, Eric Olsen, Gene Anderson, John Gretka, and Jerry Livingston

### Winter shutdown

In the early years, the Light was emptied of all provisions during the winter shutdown. After a pilot crashed and was stranded on Spectacle Reef Light with no food or shelter, Charlie Jones left it unlocked over winter and stored a little food in the pantry. If anyone else became stranded by the ice, he wanted a refuge for them. Eventually the Coast Guard required 2 weeks of C-rations and one tank of propane to be left on the Lighthouses during winter shutdown.

### The Light Didn't Fail

More than 100 men served on the DeTour Reef Light from 1931 until it was fully automated in 1974. Charlie Jones was Officer in Charge for 22 years on the Light and retired with 40 years of service as a civilian. Jack Short served on the Light over 10 years. Marvin Kurkierewicz was on the Light three seasons. It was considered a remote assignment by the Coast Guard and the young recruits learned to deal with loneliness and isolation.

Eric Olsen proudly summed up his time on the Light. "It's the good you do. Hundreds of people depended on the Light. The Light didn't fail."

### Call for Pictures

If you'd like to share pictures from your visit to the DeTour Reef Light, the DRLPS would enjoy using them in various publications. Please identify the people in the picture and if possible a little about the picture. You will be given credit for your photo. For additional information contact Ann Method Green, [PR@DRLPS.com](mailto:PR@DRLPS.com) or 906-493-6303

## Notes from a Lighthouse Tour Guide.....PRIDE

In the beginning there was nothing. Well, not really. There was this shuttered, locked up, obsolete off-shore lighthouse. The DeTour Reef Light sat abandoned at the mouth of the Saint Mary's River. We all know about the rebirth of this lighthouse. If it had not been for the formation of the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society, it could have faced a wrecking ball, and ended up at the bottom of Lake Huron. The goal of the society was not only to save this piece of forgotten maritime history, but to someday claim ownership. The time and energy involved dealing with the years, yes years, of bureaucratic delays would have dulled the senses of any other organization. These people were serious true believers. Mention this lighthouse to any DRLPS member today, and watch how much taller they (we) become!



John and Sunny Covell,  
Tour Guides out to the  
Light

This was never more evident than the Celebration Party that took place Saturday, August 28th. Initially, the celebration was to re-enact the event that took place downstate. The hard earned deed and a plaque depicting the ceremonial key to the DeTour Reef Lighthouse was presented to the DRLPS in Traverse City on June 17th. The idea of having a party closer to home seemed appropriate. The last weekend of August was the last weekend of the Keeper program (for 2010) and the 28th was the last day of the 2010 tours. Perfect. Then, on August 2nd, emails hit the computers of DRLPS members from the office of the first lady of the White House congratulating us on our designation as a Preserve America Steward.

"Individuals who care deeply about serving their country and their communities can make a difference." The letter went on to say "thank you to the volunteers of the DRLPS for protecting our nation's historic treasures and improving the quality of life and economic vitality of our nation." Volunteers made it all possible. I dare say volunteerism may go down in history as the ONLY means of truly "Preserving America".

This whole stewardship designation could not have come at a better time in the life of the DRLPS. As if we didn't have enough to celebrate on August 28th! The Coast Guard had made the transfer of ownership a reality. Now the RPM's (Restoration, Preservation, and Maintenance) of the lighthouse was the responsibility of the DRLPS. This cannot continue without your help. On top of this responsibility, comes the recognition from the White House as one of the newest Preserve America Stewards. How cool is that? And how did it happen? Our very own Ann Green took it upon herself on behalf of the DRLPS, to apply for this appointment. She requested and got input from all the members. She did all the necessary paper work and sent it all in. She did it, and we got it!! The pride that was already swelling our heads and our hearts became deeper. This celebration took on even greater importance with this designation.

Standing on the stage that Saturday night, relishing the applause from the audience, I got to thinking. What was the real reason for why we were here tonight, and why us? It was, and always will be, about the lighthouse. She needed us just as much as we the people still need her. Representatives from both the federal and state levels were there as well as members from various lighthouse groups. They had all at one time or another gone out to and on to and into the light. They had all experienced the magic of the DeTour Reef Light. They had seen for themselves the transformation of the DRL into what has been called "The Holy Grail of Lighthouses". What better way to say "thank you" than to award the society that made it all happen. That's why you heard so often at this August happening, "...if you are not yet a member of the DRLPS, you should be." It's not about who we are, or where we live that matters. The importance of this Society and this lighthouse has gone way beyond the city limits of DeTour Village and the shores of Drummond Island. Why should you be a member of the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society? So that you too can share in the pride. The pride of being a part of keeping this lighthouse alive.

Sunny Covell, DeTour Reef Light tour guide, and proud of it!



### Thank you Chuck and Jeri Feltner!

The kitchen and mess at the Light now has dinnerware that is a replica of the original 1918 Havilland China made for the United States Light House Service (USLHS). They are historically accurate in cobalt blue and white and add to the historical accuracy of the restoration. Thanks again Chuck and Jeri!

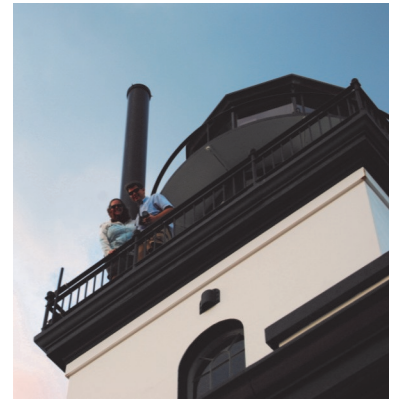


## DeTour Reef Lighthouse Keepers Describe Their Experience

“I have always loved to study history; it helps us understand our present lives and situations. But studying history and being part of it are two different things. Being here is being part of history. The water and the natural sounds, the peace and calmness, the huge ships passing in the day and night brings a persons soul into the presence of the real history of the straits and the lighthouse keeper. Role making history! The experience is spiritual and one leaves with a sense of how awesome life and creation truly is. One is renewed. Thank you for the experience and thanks to all the explorers that went before and have showed us the way and are shared in this experience.” (Richard Kirschling).

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“We have been here on the lighthouse for over 24 hours – a full cycle of the earth’s rotation. And quite a variety of scenes nature has painted on this glorious canvas. From sunny, cloudless skies to ominous looking clouds – from choppy whitecaps to relatively calm water, we have seen quite a lot in just 24 hours. .... Everywhere I look, I see another photo opportunity. My favorite view is from the dining room table looking off into the horizon. Every so often, I have to remind myself I am not floating on a ship, but actually stationary.” (Kara Macek).



Peggy Malueg and  
Kevin Mason  
on deck

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“What a wonderful place! Peggy and I had a great opportunity to “slow down” a bit ..., which is always nice. But this was no ordinary time away from home. Relaxation, peace nature, beautiful views. We enjoyed great history and story telling. .... It almost seemed as though we had been here as this place was being built and restored. .... I will sure encourage any couple who is interested to be keepers. It is a very unique and relaxing experience. God bless!” (Kevin Mason).

Kara and Nate Macek  
up top

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“John Boland and St. Clair exchanging horn blasts in channel between DeTour and Drummond as Drummond Island ferry maneuvers its way across and a tugboat pushing a barge manages to pass through them all – a traffic jam, seemingly, but they all go on their ways quietly.”

“I had a wonderful stay, relaxing yet full of excitement from our first freighter to our last...”

“The final day of this time-twisting experience. Some people say that walls speak. That history is embedded in the bricks and mortar of a building. The spirits of previous inhabitants remain in the fabric and soul of a place. As you listen some of the weird clangs and clankings of your temporary home, is it “ghosts and ghoulies and long-legged beauties and things that go bump in the night” or is it your imagination...?” (Eleanor Lord).

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Dear Readers,

The last issue of Passages was 6 months ago and we would like to thank you for your patience. Editors and volunteers have life events that can really complicate and impact time management. Sheila, our editor for the last 3 years, has asked for some help getting the next couple of editions to press. Now as a mother of 2 pre-schoolers and a full time college student she’s being kept very busy. With that said, this issue is the result of our collaboration and any suggestions, complaints or even praise about this issue should be sent to us.

Paula Bardsley

Ann Method Green

## A note from the Past President

DRLPS is truly blessed to have Ann Method Green step into the position of President. Ann has those qualities that we all admire – smart, hardworking, self-starting and persistent. From the time she first became involved with taking care of DeTour Reef Light as a “Lady of the Light” she never waited for someone to tell her what needed to be done. As Public Relations Chair Ann has made sure that DRLPS is recognized for its achievements. Her many press releases have enjoyed wide-spread publication in local and national media. Her short (2 day) notice response in hosting internationally recognized photo journalist and travel writer Peter Guttman for an overnight on DeTour Reef Light last June impressed us all. Ann’s extraordinarily comprehensive application for DRLPS to be designated a Preserve America Steward resulted in the Society becoming the first organization in Michigan so recognized by First Lady Michelle Obama and at the time one of only thirty such recognitions in the country. Ann has represented DRLPS for several years to the Michigan Lighthouse Alliance (MLA) and serves as a director of that organization. I have great satisfaction in turning over the Presidency of DRLPS to Ann Method Green and look forward to serving DRLPS under her leadership. Thank you all for your support during my years as President and please give Ann a “yes” when she asks for individuals to take on new tasks and responsibilities.

Dave Bardsley

## A note from the President

What Dave failed to mention were his accomplishments during his four years as President. Yes, **four** years—2005, 2006, 2009, and 2010. He has logged more trips out to the DeTour Reef Light than any other person in the DRLPS. He has been an important part of the restoration since 2002 and his hands on approach has kept the organization moving forward. (See the pictures below.) He also was a major participant in the Bottomlands Agreement with the DNRE that resulted in the transfer of ownership of the DeTour Reef Light to the DRLPS. Dave has been the Weekend Keeper Chair since the program’s beginning and will continue as the chair for the 7th year. This is a year round effort starting with booking and scheduling and qualifying keepers. In the summer every weekend he escorts the keepers out to the Light, and trains them in their responsibilities for the weekend’s stay. Thanks, Dave, for your dedication to the DRLPS and your many contributions.



Presidents of DRLPS left to right: Russ Norris, 2007 - 2008; Dave Bardsley, 2005 - 2006, 2009 - 2010; Ann Method Green, 2011, Chuck Feltner, 2001 - 2004. Bob Jones, the first president (1998 - 2000) passed away in 2002.



Dave Bardsley - climbing on the DeTour Reef Light crane

I would also like to announce that Brian Nettleton was elected a director of the Society at the October meeting. Brian has been the Preservation Chair since last year and brings a wealth of knowledge to the preservation of the Light.

It is an honor to become DRLPS’s fifth president. With the support from all you volunteers and chairs, I know that the DRLPS will continue to be a strong, growing organization.

Ann Method Green



Re-installing the second crane: Ed Clark, Dave Bardsley, Meade Gable, and Don Gries

## Memorabilia Order Form—DeTour Reef Preservation Society

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email (very important) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Price Each	Color	Size	Quantity	Total
1	Decal with Society Logo	\$1				
2	Bumper Sticker with Society Logo	\$1				
3	Cup with Society Logo	\$3				
4	Embroidered patch of DeTour Reef Light— 2 3/4 inch square	\$6				
5	DeTour Reef Light Collectors Pin— 1 1/8 inch	\$6				
6	Hat (khaki, khaki/blue, or wheat/pine) with Lighthouse Crest	\$15				
7	Visor with Lighthouse Crest (navy)	\$10				
8	T-Shirt w/Lighthouse Crest (stone blue or light green — S, M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$20				
9	White Golf Shirt w/Lighthouse Crest (unisex — S, M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$32				
10	Denim Shirt with Lighthouse Crest (unisex — S, M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$39				
11	Crew Neck Sweatshirt with Lighthouse Crest (stone — S, M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$28				
12	Full Zip Hooded Sweatshirt with Lighthouse Crest (birch — S, M, L, XL, 2XL)	\$35				
13	Prior Year Ornaments '01, '04, '06, '07, '08, '09. Indicate year(s) desired.	\$10 each				
14	Tote Bag with Lighthouse Crest (natural/red trim or natural/navy trim)	\$28				
15	Note Pads w/Lighthouse Logo (pack of 3 — 50 sheets per pad)	\$2				
16	Note cards, ivory, showing Lighthouse in 1931 (10 cards & envelopes)	\$8				
17	8x10 Color Photo of 2004 Lighthouse	\$10				
18	8x10 Color Photo of 2008 Lighthouse (NEW!)	\$10				
19	DVD of the Lighthouse before/during/after restoration/keeper experience, 2 disc set	\$15				
20	2010 Ornament (4 inch round glass etched with Lighthouse image)	\$18				
21	1931 Limited Edition Lighthouse Window Pane (9 1/4 x 11 x 1/4 inch) w/Etching of Lighthouse	\$300				
22	Custom Framing for item #21	\$150				
23	Lighthouse Model 3" Little Light of Mine by Harbour Lights	\$17.50				



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