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Dear Members,

I hope this issue of Illuminations finds you healthy and in good spirits. The world has changed significantly since the last issue of our quarterly journal went to press. We have witnessed COVID-19 grow from a viral outbreak to a global pandemic that has swept across the nation and left feelings of fear, uncertainty, and heartbreak in its wake. People have grown accustomed to spending long periods in self-isolation, washing their hands in an almost compulsive manner, social distancing themselves from others, and wearing facemasks when they go out in public. Non-essential businesses were closed, parents and students became intimately familiar with online virtual schools, and nearly all of us felt the financial impact of recent events in one way or another. Some of you may have contracted COVID-19 yourselves or know someone who has. To those who have been directly impacted by the virus, I wish you all a full and speedy recovery. Despite the many obstacles we have faced over these past three months, I hope your faith in a better tomorrow will continue to shine like the tower's historic beacon.

The Ponce de Leon Inlet Lighthouse and Museum was closed from March 18th through May 3rd to protect staff and adhere to Florida Governor Ron DeSantis' 30-day Safer At Home order. When presented with the decision to keep its employees or lay them off, the Association chose to keep them on the active payroll through May 2nd in an effort to retain trained, qualified personnel and protect them from financial hardship. Many of the Association's administrative, curatorial, programs, gift shop, and maintenance department staff continued to work; either remotely from home or at the lighthouse. Those who came in were required to sequester themselves in their offices during the day or work in separate locations to ensure strict COVID-19 protective measures were followed.

The amount of work accomplished by lighthouse staff during this 47-day period far exceeded what could have normally been completed if the museum were open. Although the closure significantly impacted the museum financially, the decision to keep the Association's employees on the active payroll was money well spent. Maintenance department activities completed during this time included the restoration of the covered porches on all three keeper dwellings, repainting of the tower's interior and exterior ironwork, refinishing of historic wood floors in two of the keeper's dwellings and historic Pacetti Hotel, grounds maintenance, gift shop rehabilitation, and more. Administrative tasks included the submission of a federal application to add the Pacetti Hotel to the National Register of Historic Places and the development of content for a new online virtual tour and distance learning program.

The Ponce De Leon Inlet Lighthouse reopened to the public on May 4, 2020 in compliance with Phase One of the Safe, Smart, Step-by-Step Plan for Florida's Recovery Order issued by Governor DeSantis on April 29, 2020. In accordance with this directive, museums and libraries may open at no more than 25 percent of their normal capacity. The operational status of the lighthouse and museum will remain subject to ongoing developments regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and future state mandates.

Although the lighthouse is currently open to the public visitation is expected to fall well-short of annual projections for many months to come. With more than 90% of the museum's operating revenue generated directly through onsite admission and merchandise sales, the financial impact of COVID-19 on lighthouse operations will be significant.

Alternative financial support has been pursued on many fronts since the museum's initial closing, including much needed funding through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The Association was approved for a Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loan through the CARES Act on April 27th. The PPP loan will help cover the cost of employee payroll and other organizational expenses.

I am pleased to announce that the Ponce De Leon Inlet Lighthouse Preservation Association is in the process of finalizing an agreement with a local foundation in support of the historic Pacetti Hotel. A partnership eight months in the making, this exciting opportunity will help finance the restoration, preservation, rehabilitation, development, and naming of the historic Pacetti Hotel Museum. I look forward to discussing this agreement in greater detail in the future. The negative impact of COVID-19 on Florida tourism as whole and lighthouse visitation in particular is expected to be felt through the rest of 2020. As such, the Preservation Association anticipates a significant reduction in revenue for the remainder of this fiscal year. As an Association member, you are one of the light station's most valuable assets. Your continued support will help us achieve our mission to preserve and disseminate the maritime and social history of the Ponce de Leon Inlet Light Station at this difficult time. There are many ways to give including:

1. Make a donation to the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse

2. Purchase merchandise in the gift shop or online

3. Buy a memorial brick for family, friends, and loved ones

4. Upgrade your annual membership when you renew and purchase a membership for a friend

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Advisory Committee, staff and volunteers, I would like to express the Association's sincere appreciation for your continued patronage. We look forward to seeing you at the Ponce de Leon Inlet Lighthouse and Museum in the near future. Stay safe and healthy.

With Warm Regards,

Ed Gunnlaugsson

Ed Gunnlaugsson Executive Director Ponce Inlet Lighthouse

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REGULAR HOURS OF OPERATION

PLEASE NOTE: POSTED HOURS OF OPERATION ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE MANDATES AND COVID-19 CONDITIONS AS THEY DEVELOP. PLEASE CHECK CURRENT HOURS OF OPERATION ON OUR MAIN WEBSITE AT WWW.PONCEINLET.ORG.

SEPTEMBER 8, 2020 - MAY 30, 2021

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 (MONDAY)

(CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC AND MEMBERSHIP)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

(LAST MUSEUM ADMISSION SOLD AT 5:00 PM)

MAY 25, 2020 - SEPTEMBER 7, 2020 Open Daily from 10:00 am until 7:00 pm Open Daily from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm (LAST MUSEUM ADMISSION SOLD AT 6:00 PM)

SCHEDULED TOWER CLOSURES

JUNE 5, 2020 (FRIDAY) Tower Closed from 7:30 PM until 9:30 PM MUSEUM AND GIFT SHOP OPEN UNTIL 9:00 PM (LAST MUSEUM ADMISSION SOLD AT 8:00 PM)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

JULY 20, 2020 (MONDAY) BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING (CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC)

AUGUST 17, 2020 (MONDAY)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING (CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC AND MEMBERSHIP)

CLIMB TO THE MOON SCHEDULE

CLIMB TO THE MOON

JULY 5, 2020 (SUNDAY) 8:00 рм - 9:30 рм

AUGUST 3, 2020 (MONDAY) 7:30 рм - 9:30 рм **SEPTEMBER 2, 2020** (WEDNESDAY) 7:15 РМ - 8:45 РМ

Toast the setting sun with a sparkling beverage and enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres by the light of the full moon with your significant other and friends. Offered only on the eve of each full moon, this special event is limited to 25 participants only. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling Angel at (386) 761-1821 ext. 10. Prices are \$35 for non-members and \$30 for members.

Please Note: Scheduled Climb to the Moon events may be subject to cancellation due to state mandates regarding COVID-19.

JULY - SEPTEMBER, 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION AT THE LIGHTHOUSE

JULY 3-5, 2020, (FRIDAY - SUNDAY), 12:00 PM TO 2:00 PM

Climb to the top of Florida's tallest lighthouse, explore the historic light station, and participate in free educational workshops and activities designed for young and old alike.

NATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY

AUGUST 8, 2020, (SATURDAY), 10:30 PM TO 2:30 PM

Celebrate the 231st anniversary of the 1789 founding of the US Light-House Establishment. Enjoy free family-oriented workshops and activities as you explore the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse and Museum.

SPIRIT OF 45' DAY

AUGUST 9, 2020, (SUNDAY), 10:30 PM TO 2:30 PM

Remember the sacrifices of the men, women, and children who helped lead our nation to victory during WWII by visiting the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse and Museum on Spirit of 45' Day!

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE/LIGHTSHIP DAY

AUGUST 15, 2020, (SATURDAY), 10:30 PM TO 2:30 PM

Be a part of a day that promotes public awareness of Lighthouses and Lightships and their need for preservation. Explore the historic Ponce Inlet Light Station and participate in family-oriented activities.

Attention Reader: Please visit our online Calendar of Events at www.ponceinlet.org for more information regarding scheduled events at the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse and Museum. All activities are provided free of charge with regular admission unless otherwise posted.

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A GENERAL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP INCLUDES:

- Free admission to the museum and lighthouse during regular hours of operation
- 10 percent discount in the museum gift shop and online store
- One subscription to The Light Station quarterly newsletter
- Invitations to special events
- Volunteer opportunities

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

General	\$20
The benefits listed above for one individual	

- Student.
 \$10

 All privileges of General Membership for one individual 12 years or older with a valid student identification
- Family..... \$40
 - All privileges of General Membership for the immediate family
 Immediate family is limited to one or two adults and your
 - children under age 18. Grandchildren are not eligible.You will be issued one membership card for each parent, and each card will list the names of your children.
 - Child under 12 must be accompanied by an adult

Please complete the entire form to enroll, or join online at www.lighthouselocker.org.

Select type of membership:

General \$20
□ Senior \$10
Student (submit copy of ID) \$10
G Family \$40
□ Gift Membership From:
□ 2nd Assistant Keeper \$100
□ 1st Assistant Keeper
Principal Keeper \$500
Corporate Lampist \$500
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City: State: ZIP:

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- All privileges of 2nd Assistant Membership
- Two gift General Memberships
- Recognition of your support in the quarterly newsletters' 1st Assistant Keeper List

Principal Keeper \$500

- All privileges of 1st Assistant Membership
- A personalized guided tour of the Light Station
- Recognition of your support in the quarterly newsletters' Principal Keeper List

Corporate Lampist \$500

- All privileges of General or Family Membership for up to five company principals
- A personalized guided tour of the Light Station
- Use of the Light Station's conference room for one meeting.
- Recognition of your companies support in the quarterly newsletters' Corporate Lampist List

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Registration #: CH137

A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE.

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Membership enclosed: \$

Donation enclosed: \$

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Thank You for Your Generous Support!

PONCE INLET LIGHTHOUSE SUN CATCHER

Bring a splash of color into the room with this custom hand-painted sun catcher featuring the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse shining on the night of the full moon! Sun catcher measures 5" X 7".

Item #: 0023 Price: \$22.99 (+S&H)





THE PONCE INLET LIGHTHOUSE: AN ILLUSTRATED HISTORY

The Ponce Inlet Lighthouse: An Illustrated History is the culmination of more than 40 years of research by the Ponce De Leon Inlet Lighthouse Preservation Association. Written by museum curator Ellen Henry, this fully illustrated hardback volume is the definitive history of the historic Ponce De Leon Inlet Light Station. Signed first edition copies of this recently published book are now available for purchase online and in the lighthouse gift shop.

Price: \$49.95 (+S&H)

PONCE INLET LIGHTHOUSE MEMORIAL BRICKS

The Ponce Inlet Lighthouse Memorial Brick Program is a unique and thoughtful way to honor friends and loved ones or celebrate special events including weddings, birthdays, and family vacations. Each laser-engraved brick features the Ponce de Leon Inlet Lighthouse logo



and up to three lines of text. Each personalized brick is installed in the Light Station's memorial walkway leading out onto the historic grounds where it will remain in perpetuity. Best of all, a portion of your brick purchase price is tax-deductible.

Lighthouse Memorial Brick: Item # 0289 Price: \$100 Full Size Duplicate Memorial Brick: Item # 0290 Price: \$85 Miniature Duplicate Memorial Brick: Item # 0291 Price: \$40



STACKING 4-PIECE LIGHTHOUSE MUG SET

Enjoy a hot cup of coffee, tea, or your favorite morning beverage with this unique set of four ceramic mugs that create an image of lighthouse when stacked inside their chrome storage rack. This unique mug set also serves as interesting and space saving piece of lighthouse-themed kitchen décor. Includes four 14 oz. mugs and one 12" high chrome-plated wire rack.

Item #: 5521 Price: \$28.99 (+S&H)

The Ponce de Leon Inlet Lighthouse Gift Shop specializes in unique lighthouse and nautical themed gifts for people of all ages. Our wide selection includes clothing, house wares, toys, and collectibles. Customers may also shop online at LIGHTHOUSELOCKER.ORG. Please contact the Gift Shop at (386) 761-1821 ext. 21 or via email at gifthop@ponceinlet.org for more information.



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LIGHT UP LIGHTHOUSE MODEL

Enjoy the warm glow of this 12" illuminated resin model of the Ponce Inlet Lighthouse flanked by the First Assistant Keeper's dwelling. Includes a 60" power cord with mini-bulb

socket commonly used in snow-villages. Item #: 0716 Price: \$20.99 (+S&H)



Limit one coupon per member. Coupon may not be used in conjunction with any other discount. Proof of membership must be shown at time of purchase. Not valid for purchase of Memorial Bricks. Good from July 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020