

The Lighthouse News

December 2022



We begin this newsletter by reporting on the condition of the Lighthouse structure and surroundings post-Fiona. While the dunes and the shoreline sustained significant damage, the Lighthouse itself held her ground and has few actual repairs to report. The Lighthouse took a sandblasting in the storm and the red paint recently applied to the roof, trim and door in 2022 is nearly all gone! It is quite certain that a full repainting of the structure will need to be undertaken in 2023. In addition, approximately 10-12 shingles are gone, but we have a supply of matching old ones in stock. The swivelling air vane is also gone, and will need to be replaced. All this said, the Lighthouse is in very good shape. Bill removed the electrical components for the winter this year to ensure that they are not damaged.

The Board of Directors want to share a special shout-out to the Morell Volunteer Fire Department whose volunteers organized and operated a Warming Centre for local residents who were in need of support and assistance during the three weeks of extended power outages caused by the storm. In recognition of this remarkable effort, the SPHLS has made a donation to the Morell Volunteer Fire Department on behalf of the membership.

Prior to the hurricane in late September however, 2022 proved to be a more active year after a couple of years of suspended programming due to the pandemic.

We kicked the summer off with an Illumination event at the Lighthouse on July 10th, 2022 where a group of about 40 gathered to celebrate. Bill's grandson, Jan, entertained the group with some fiddle tunes and some fond remembrances were shared after so much time without in-person events due to COVID.

Just a week later, SPHLS volunteers proudly carried our Lighthouse banners as participants in the 13th Annual Morell River Run Festival along with other community groups, organizations and businesses in the region.

And, in August, we held our first in-person AGM in three years at the Morell Rossiter Park pavilion where a good crowd of members and enthusiasts learned about the work, the finances and the future plans of the SPHLS. Minutes of this AGM are up on our website and contain a thorough update on all these topics.

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Membership News

A reminder to all that annual SPHLS membership dues are \$10 and \$20 for our individual and family memberships respectively and of course donations beyond membership are always welcome. Payment can be made by eTransfer, cash or cheque payable to the St. Peters Harbour Lighthouse Society Inc. Just pass payment on to one of our Board members, or mail it to the SPHLS, c/o Craig Ono, 29 Seafields Lane, Morell, COA 1S0.

Silver Shingle Membership

Members whose dues and donations combined reach the \$500 mark - whether immediately or over time - achieve the Silver Shingle classification (Lifetime Members). Over our years of work we have been fortunate enough to have 35 households who have achieved Silver Shingle status. Some of these have continued to offer their financial support.

We are proud to introduce and publicly thank our most recent Silver Shingle members, Gisele and Brian Dickieson, who received their Shingle from President Bill Morton in late September.



Email for e-transfer payments for donations, memberships and events: stpeterslighthouse treasurer@gmail.com.

Lighthouse Swag

Christmas is just around the corner!

A reminder to all members that SPHLS hoodies and T-shirts are for sale! Adult Hoodies are \$40, Adult T-Shirts are \$20, and Youth T-shirts are \$10. Mugs are \$10.00



Going forward

We wish you all the best this holiday season and in ringing in 2023 and encourage you all to forward this newsletter to your friends and family who have visited the lighthouse, taken in its beauty, and who may be interested to hear the latest news and consider supporting our work.

Warmest wishes to All!