



# STAMP FLASHES

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## Start the Year Right - Create a Stamp Hunting Kit

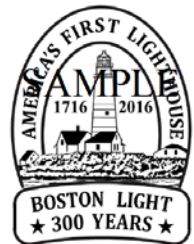
In the last USLHS Bulletin, we highlighted passport stamp expert, James Hill, who made some suggestions regarding what to carry with you when you go looking for stamps. We would like to reiterate some of the things on his list that might come in handy. In addition to your passport take along:

- Your own ink pad (possibly a couple of different colors). This makes it much easier to get a complete and clearer stamp image. Many locations don't replace their ink pads very often. One pad will last you an entire season!
- Index cards. Once you stamp a square in your book, it is a done deal. The result might be a poor or misplaced image. If you stamp an index card, you can make sure it is a good image and then you can cut it out and glue it in your book.

## New Stamps

### Happy Birthday Boston Harbor Lighthouse!

In recognition of the 300<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boston Lighthouse, we have created a brand new stamp design for visitors to Little Brewster Island. In addition, we have created a special anniversary stamp (see sample) that will also be available for those who visit the lighthouse this year. Congratulations to everyone involved in developing this year's celebration, including the current keeper, and USLHS member, our friend Sally Snowman!

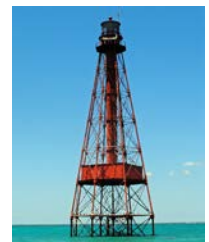


### Port Pontchartrain Lighthouse, Louisiana

Also known as the Milneburg Lighthouse, it is located along the shore of Lake Pontchartrain on the grounds of the University of New Orleans Research and Technology Park. In addition to its serving as an aid to navigation, the now land-locked lighthouse also served as an office for the Port Pontchartrain Beach Amusement Park! The stamp will be housed at the New Canal Lighthouse Museum and Education Center located a short distance away.

### Sombrero Key Lighthouse, Florida

A distant view of this reef light is possible from the eastern end of the 7-mile bridge near Marathon or from Sombrero Beach. This is a new design and will be available at the Marathon Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center, 12222 Overseas Hwy, Marathon, FL.



### Kenosha Pier Lighthouse, Wisconsin

Stamp is available at the Kenosha History Center, 220 51st Place, Kenosha, WI 53140. A duplicate stamp is available at the lighthouse during open hours, 5117 4th Ave, Kenosha, WI

## Sunken Rock Lighthouse, New York

Stamp is available at the Alexandria Bay Chamber of Commerce, 7 Market Street, Alexandria Bay, NY. (315) 482-9531. Note: Open M-F 9-4. No donation required. Stamp is not available by mail.

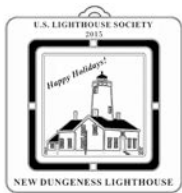
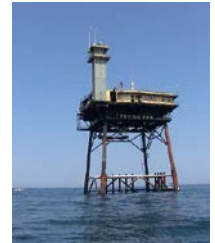


## Cedar Island, Orient Point, Long Beach Bar & Plum Island Lighthouses

The Orient Beach State Park, 40000 Main Road, Orient, NY now has stamps for these four lighthouses. They are different and more readily available than the other stamps for the same lights. Stamps are at the Park Office. Okay to send SASE & donation for copy of stamps.

## Lighthouse Accommodations

While collecting stamps is a lot of fun, consider spending one or more nights at one of the many lighthouse accommodations around the country. A complete list can be found on our website: <http://uslhs.org/fun/lighthouse-accommodations>. Two new locations are at Eagle River Lighthouse (Michigan) and for a real adventure, how about a couple of nights at the Frying Pan Shoals Lighthouse - 34 miles offshore in North Carolina!



## Holiday Stamps Fund Raising Results

The New Dungeness Lighthouse Association received over \$1,100 as a result of the purchase of the Christmas Ornament and Holiday Stamps by members of the Society and Passport Club. We thank those of you who contributed to this total and hope that you will support another lighthouse next Christmas!

## Lighthouse Tours, Cruises and Events

Stamp collecting can be even more fun and rewarding if you combine it with a Society tour, a lighthouse cruise or special lighthouse event.

- Society tours have begun already in Southern California with additional domestic tours scheduled for Hawaii, Alaska, Connecticut & Rhode Island, Puget Sound & Olympic Peninsula and Lake Ontario. Foreign tours are going to Wales, France, New Brunswick and Norway. <http://uslhs.org/tours>.
- An increasing number of lighthouse cruise companies are offering discounts to Society members. Remember, you need to be a member of the Society, not just the Passport Club. Many of these cruises have stamps for the lighthouses they view. <http://uslhs.org/fun/lighthouse-cruises>.
- Festivals, events and challenges provide opportunities to enjoy enhanced visits as well as landing many stamps. <http://uslhs.org/fun/lighthouse-festivals-events>.

## Hall of Fame Listings

- While we work very hard to make sure that everyone who submits their completed Lighthouse Passports gets the recognition they deserve, once in a while someone's name does not end up in the appropriate level on our Hall of Fame page for the Passport Program. (<https://uslhs.org/fun/passport-club/hall-of-fame>). Please check the page to see that your name appears correctly and, if not, please send an email to the Passport Club and we will rectify the error immediately.
- Congratulations to our newest 20 Hall of Fame awardees. Special kudos to those with all stamp books, indicated by asterisks.

### **I've Seen the Light (60)**

Maxwell Annuik  
Yvonne Bennett  
Marina Fayer\*  
Mindy Margaritis\*  
Nathan Myers\*  
Marge Sholar  
James Stein\*  
Tammy Szidik\*  
Tim Wilcox\*

### **Silver Level (120)**

Carol Childress  
Linda Fanelli  
Ann Hazelwood\*\*  
Carole McCoy\*\*  
Roseann Zirpoli

### **Gold Level (180)**

Donna & John Bishop \*\*\*  
Keith Kennedy  
Allen Walski\*\*\*

### **Platinum Level (240)**

Randy Chase\*\*\*\*  
Karl & Linda Mack\*\*\*\*

### **1<sup>st</sup> Wing (300)**

Rene deGuery\*\*  
Maryanne Garay\*\*\*\*\*  
Palmer Kane\*\*\*\*\*

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Wing (420)**

Frank & Jacki Grabowski

### **>420**

Anita Norris (6 Flags)  
Mac MacFarland (15 Flags)