



# UNITED STATES LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY

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## LIGHTHOUSE PASSPORT CLUB



December 2022

Website: <https://uslhs.org/passports>

Email: [passportclub@uslhs.org](mailto:passportclub@uslhs.org)

### *Holiday Flashes - 2022*

#### Coming in 2023 - Lost Lights Series V

A new Lost Lights Series stamps will be available in early 2023. The lighthouses selected for Series V are **Cape Fear, North Carolina, Roe Island, Georgia, Charlotte Harbor, Florida and Crabtree Ledge, Maine**. Members will receive a 50% discount on Series V or any of the previous releases.

#### Holiday Stamp Offer - Good until 12/31/2022

The USLHS 2022 Christmas Ornament Stamp features the Marblehead (Ohio) Lighthouse. The oldest continuing operating lighthouse on the Great Lakes recently celebrated their 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Complete the order form below and submit with your payment. You **MUST** send a Self-Addressed Stamp Envelope with your request and payment in order to receive your stamp(s) by return mail.



**Remember, if you are a member of the USLHS Society you will automatically receive the stamps as part of your benefit package.** Note: Past holiday stamps are not available at this time. An opportunity to purchase any or all of the previous 11 years of stamps will be made available in the future.

### The United States Lighthouse Society

#### Passport Club – 2022 Holiday Offer Order Form

Please complete and mail the form below with your payment and SASE to:

U.S. Lighthouse Society  
Passport Stamp – Holiday Offer  
9005 Point No Point Road NE  
Hansville, WA 98340



[Click Here to Download the order form](#)

Orders must be received by **December 31, 2022**.

All stamps will be mailed in **January 2023**.

## Passport Club 2.0

As most of you know by now, if you join the USLHS at the Lighthouse Passport Club level for only for \$25 you will receive the following benefits:

- An annual Lighthouse Passport Club member stamp and USLHS Member stamp. Each year the stamps will have new designs.
- The USLHS Holiday Ornament stamp, this year featuring Marblehead (Ohio) Lighthouse.
- 50% off USLHS collectible stamps, including the Lost Light series, past Holiday Ornament stamps and any future Society stamp issues.
- Subscription to the current "*Stamp Flashes*" newsletter containing stamp collecting tips, information about new stamp locations/designs.
- Complimentary stamp award patches, a certificate of completion and listing in the Hall of Fame.
- Access to the comprehensive participating lighthouse password protected database. This area of the website provides detailed information about all participating stamp locations.

If you choose not to become a member of the Society at the Passport Club level or higher you can continue to enjoy the Passport Program.

- Stamp award level patches will be available for a \$5 fee (Flags cost \$3.00) and you will be listed in the Hall of Fame.
- As before, the Holiday Ornament Stamp will be available by sending in a SASE and \$10.
- The Lost Light stamp series will be available on line at the regular price of \$20.
- You will have access to the summary list of participating lighthouses from the Society's Passport Program page.
- Access to the archive of past "*Stamp Flashes*" newsletters.

However, two benefits that will be available only to members are the current newsletter (*Stamp Flashes*) and the detailed information about stamp availability at participating locations.

We think you will find that becoming a Society member will be well worth the membership fee.

You can find a complete list of benefits for each level at:

<https://uslhs.org/membership/join-renew>

## A message from the Executive Director

For the past 20 plus years, we have operated the LH Passport Program free of charge - except for the purchase of the Passport itself. The goal has always to be inclusive and support your passion for visiting lighthouses and getting stamps - and hopefully helping to support their preservation in some way. Keep in mind that with our new policy in place, we are not restricting you from the participating lighthouse list. You can always access that for free - here is the link: Summary List

All you have to do is make sure the lighthouse is on the list and then find them on Google to access their contact information.

Keeping our detailed list - the one we are now password protecting, requires staff to maintain it each month. It's quite a bit of work to do this as well as publish the newsletter and other benefits to the program. During Covid, we lost nearly half of our employees, so the only way

we could justify to continue to keep up the list and other program perks was to charge a nominal fee. Keep in mind that with this fee you get free stamps, discounts on special stamps and other benefits. In the end, if you are someone who collects Lost Lights and other special stamp editions, you actually save money by joining the club.

We understand how hard this change may seem -- but we're only asking that you support us if you want to or can. For the slight convenience of having contact details at your fingertips instead of looking up lighthouses on Google, we thought our ask was fair. The program and your enjoyment of it should not change as we shift the Passport Club to make it more viable.

Should you have further questions or concerns, please contact us at any time.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Gales  
USLHS Executive Director