



Newsletter

NOTTAWASAGA LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION SOCIETY

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,
On behalf of myself and fellow NLPS Board Members, here is an update of our activities over the past several months.

First, I would like to point out that membership is FREE to join the NLPS. We believe the community at large sees the vision that the NLPS has to acquire & restore the Nottawasaga Lighthouse.

This year marks the 160th birthday of our lighthouse and we need your continued support of our efforts. Community support carries a great deal of weight in conveying to the government that we are both committed and capable of completing a restoration project of this magnitude. Please share this newsletter and our website address with your family, friends, business associates and others. Encourage them to join the NLPS, it's now FREE!

RESTORATION UPDATE

We have received confirmation from the DFO that they completed the required Indigenous land claim study as to whether any claims existed as the result of pre-existing treaties made



Lighthouse Work

Interior - An estimate has been obtained to undertake a significant environmental clean-up of the tower itself. This clean-up will focus on the interior of the structure and will include the removal of animal and bird feces, soda blasting and or other cleaning that will remove multiple layers of lead paint along with interior wall and floor joist clearing etc. Some of this work will be the responsibility of the government and will no doubt form part of the agreement that we enter into prior to the actual transfer of ownership taking place.

Exterior - We are delighted to report that after two blustery winters, the exterior wrapping that was applied to the tower in 2016 has held up very well. Some additional securing of the wrap in the month ahead will help to extend the lifespan of the material prior to its removal when the restoration process begins.

Island Infrastructure - The staff from C.C.Tatham and Associates consulting engineering here in Collingwood have generously prepared at no charge to NLPS, engineered drawings to construct a new break wall with the dredging requirements needed to create a new docking facility at the former site.

WE NEED YOU!! We are looking for volunteers to fill a vacant Director Position & Fundraising Committee Heads.

between the government and Native groups many of which were entered into from 1871 to 1921. This now paves the way for a formal agreement of ownership transfer. Achieving this critical milestone advances us closer to the restoration process in earnest.

The federal government is very supportive and respects the work we have done thus far by wrapping the exterior of the lighthouse to minimize further moisture penetration and degradation of the structure. We are viewed as a credible organization committed to ownership and raising the funds needed to restore our lighthouse to its former glory serving as a reminder of the area's maritime past.

Restoring and protecting the ecosystem around the lighthouse and on the island overall by managing development of the site under a strict mandate of environmental conservation, sustainability and such other complementary purposes has been and will remain an integral part of NLPS guiding principles.

[If you are interested, please contact us.](#)

Recent NLPS Events

Winterfest - Jan. 26th at Devil's Glen raised almost \$16,000.00. Watch for Winterfest 2019!

Whiskylicious - Held in February, included an online auction of 12 pieces of exceptional artwork on oak barrel heads supplied by Canadian Mist Distillery raised \$3,000 Many thanks to Martin Rydlo and the town's Marketing and Business Development Department for having us participate and we look forward to continuing and growing this event in the years ahead.

Visit: www.whiskylicious.visitsouthgeorgianbay.ca/

UPCOMING EVENTS

SideLaunch Days - Saturday August 11th & Sunday August 12th. Two days of summer fun with wakeboarding, paddleboard races, free canoe, kayaking, sailing and more. Visit: www.sidelaunchdays.ca

Century of Classics - Saturday August 18th will be the first annual celebration of classic and vintage cars, boats and motorcycles. Located in Collingwood's downtown harbour area and shopping district. Organizers expect over 400 cars and other vehicles to attend. The NLPS will receive some of the proceeds. Visit:

www.collingwoodcenturyclassics.com

"Lighthouse" LIVE Concert - Saturday August 18th the 70's rock band "Lighthouse" will be performing a benefit concert at 6:00pm in the Eddie Bush Memorial Arena. Those of us old enough to remember this band are sure to remember their many hits including: Sunny Days, One Fine Morning & Pretty Lady. Visit:

www.collingwoodcenturyclassics.com/lighthouse-concert/

Members BBQ - Sunday August 26th is our third annual member's BBQ hosted at the Princeton Shores home of Ray and Wyn Smith. Stay tuned for further information on our website and Facebook page.

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