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We'll Keep the Light on for You!

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PURPOSE OF THE DRLPS:

To establish, support and promote efforts in the preservation and restoration of the DeTour Reef Light; to achieve the safe-keeping of the building, artifacts and records; to educate and inform the public on its history; to take visitors safely to the lighthouse; and to raise awareness about the importance of volunteers in maintaining and protecting the lighthouse for generations to come.

MEMBERSHIP

\$30 Basic (includes family members), \$50 Patron, \$100 Keeper, \$500 Lifetime, \$1000 Grand Keeper

For a membership application please see page 8 or download an application from

WWW.DRLPS.com



DRPLS Receives Superior Award!

The DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society (DRLPS) was honored with the Superior Award by the Historical Society of Michigan at the Society's 2006 Upper Peninsula History Conference in Escanaba, June 24th. Chuck and Jeri-Baron Feltner accepted the award on behalf of the dedicated volunteers of the DRLPS.

The Superior Award was established in 2006 to honor historical societies, museums, and other historical organizations in the UP for their efforts to preserve and promote Upper Peninsula history. Territorial governor Lewis Cass and Henry Schoolcraft, who explored and wrote about the UP, founded the Society in 1828.

"The (DeTour Reef Light) Preservation Society's remarkable efforts in only eight years exemplify the dedication and community spirit for which the Upper Peninsula is renowned," commented HSM Awards committee chairman Robert Myers of Berrien Springs.

Chuck Feltner, DRLPS Restoration Chairman and past-President, stated: "Jeri and I were honored to accept the

prestigious Superior Award on behalf of all the dedicated hard-working volunteers of the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society team. DRLPS has come a long way from the first organizational meeting on January 8, 1998, and accomplished much to be proud of,



(L to R) Sean O'Neill - President of the Historical Society of Michigan, Jeri Baron Feltner - Founding Director Emeritus of DRLPS, Chuck Feltner - Restoration Chairman, Treasurer & past-President of DRLPS, Robert Myers, Chair of the Historical Society of Michigan Nomination & Awards Committee of the Board of Trustees, and Larry Wagenaar, Executive Director of the Historical Society of Michigan. (Photo by James Cameron, 2006)

but we must keep our eyes on the mission and stay on course for the preservation of the DeTour Reef Light for generations to enjoy."

Several historical and educational projects have currently been completed, including a traveling historical display of historic lighthouse photographs and engineering drawings, oral history vid-

eos of past lighthouse keepers, production of lighthouse existing conditions video, production of a video of DeTour Reef Light history and restoration, obtaining of copies of the original lighthouse keepers' logbooks from the National Archives along with over 1,000 pages of official correspondence, and creation of digital copies of all historical material onto DVDs.

Planned work in the future includes rebuilding the second deck crane,

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DRLPS in the News

P A S S A G E S

Superior Award continued from page 1 . . . construction of a tour boat landing dock and access stairway to better facilitate public tours of the lighthouse, creating interpretive signs, and development of an onshore visitor's center.

The DRLPS nomination was submitted to recognize the outstanding contributions that the local grass-roots volunteers of the DRLPS have made over the past nine years, for their unfailing dedication and determination to restore, preserve and promote the DeTour Reef Light, to acknowledge the key role they have played in enhancing public awareness, education, and understanding of the history of the Light, and for advancing appreciation for the Eastern Upper Peninsula's maritime history.

Built in 1931, and standing a mile offshore in northern Lake Huron at the far eastern end of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, the DeTour Reef Light rises gallantly 83

feet above the water. The structure, sitting on a unique 60-foot square, 20-foot high concrete crib, is a steel-framed square tower of three distinct levels in Classical-



Revival architectural style. It marks a dangerous reef to help guide ship traffic from and to Lake Huron and Lake Superior via the strategic St. Mary's River. The Light was automated in 1974. In

1997, the lighthouse was declared surplus property by the U. S. Coast Guard due to sophisticated navigational systems aboard ships, and the Coast Guard's not having the funding to care for the structure in accordance with historic preservation guidelines.

In 1998, local citizens formed the DRLPS as a nonprofit 501(c) (3) organization to restore and preserve the lighthouse. The DRLPS completed major interior and exterior restoration on the lighthouse in 2004. Public tours and overnight keeper programs to this historic Light began in July, 2005.

If you haven't seen first-hand what the society has accomplished, why not book a tour for the 2007 season? Or better yet, sign-up to be a Keeper of the Light and experience what life is like on an off-shore light!

What's Happening, When?

Join other members of the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society at any of the following scheduled events . . .

October 2006	December 2006	June 2007 (continued)
12—15 Great Lakes Lighthouse Festival @ Alpena MI www.lighthousefestival.org	TBA DRLPS Board & Member Meeting Officer Elections @ Hangar 3pm	21 DRLPS Annual Meeting @ Drummond Island Town Hall 3pm
19 DRLPS Board & Member Meeting @ Hangar 3pm (Monthly Board & Members Meetings are held @ the Hangar on Drummond Island at 3pm with dates announced via email to those members who indicate an interest in attending).	TBA Christmas Celebration	July 2007
November 2006	June 2007	7 Evening Under the Stars <i>Joyce Buckley</i> jbuckley@lighthouse.net
TBA DRLPS Board & Member Meeting @ Hangar 3pm	15 Keeper Program Starts (Friday—Sunday)	August 2007
	16 Day Tours Start (Weekends)	18 Day Tours End
	17 Father's Day Cruise, Anne Stafford aestafford@sault.com	19 Keepers Program Ends

A Note from the President . . .

The word is out about the terrific lighthouse keeper program and tours at DeTour Reef Light. This year DRLPS hosted 37 volunteer lighthouse keepers and 74 tour guests over a nine-week period.

The Society purchased a new refrigerator for the lighthouse in response to keeper requests and also took action to exterminate the spiders that took up residence in the lighthouse.



The office at the lighthouse looks fantastic with the roll top desk restored by John Covell and the glass front bookcase donated by Jackie and Mario Mazzuca.



The period porcelain top cabinets donated by the Chisholms and the McClures match the original furnishing for the kitchen, as does the metal bed donated by Jim Charles for the keeper's room. These items, which were hauled out this May with the help of our local high school students, have added a true warmth and

historic authenticity to the furnishings of DeTour Reef Light.



Thanks, everyone.

The exceptional value of our Public Tour program has not been widely recognized and we often have open tour spaces available. Unfortunately, at \$95 for non-members and \$75 for members, many people are



discouraged by the cost and do not take the time to understand all that we provide. The ride itself on the St. Mary's River and out to the lighthouse and back is worth the price! Added to that is a two-hour private tour (tours are limited to six people at a time) of all spaces of an active restored lighthouse with resident keepers and the inclusion of light refreshments. Many lighthouse "tours" are only of the exterior or keeper's residence and exclude the lighthouse tower. DRLPS offers much more.

John and Mary Forslund sent us the following note after taking the tour:

"What a delightful adventure our tour of 'The Light' was on Saturday. It certainly exceeded our expectations. We were so impressed with the organization and the thoroughness of the Board. A big thank you to you and the whole crew who work so hard to 'keep the light on.'"

In addition to their tour payment, John and Mary included \$150 gift to the Society to assist with the cost of offering tours. Everyone who has taken the tour appreciates the value received. It should be noted that the full cost of the tour program exceeds tour revenue and that hundreds of hours of volunteer time are devoted to support our public tour offerings.

Thank you, everyone.

Dave Bardsley, President.



(Photo credit: Rodney Curtis, Detroit Free Press)

*Have you renewed your membership for 2007?
Are you currently a member but looking for other ways to support the Society? Why not sponsor a Step or donate to the Endowment Fund? Your generosity will leave a legacy of giving for generations to come!*

Leave a Legacy of Giving . . . Sponsor a Step!

Not everyone has the time and energy required to be part of the day-to-day "hands-on" operation of the DeTour Reef Light, but that doesn't mean YOU can't be part of the exciting endeavor to restore and maintain one of Michigan's historic lighthouses.



Steps of DeTour Reef Light prior to restoration

Lighthouse preservation is a perpetual challenge that is very costly. To establish a fund for continued restoration and preservation, the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society is proud to offer the general public a once-in-a-lifetime chance to sponsor a step

from the light's spiral staircase. By sponsoring a step you will not only mark your place in history, but will also help provide financial support for restoration projects to restore and maintain the Light.

This special opportunity is limited to the first 32 people who come forward and say "Yes, I want to leave a legacy of giving by sponsoring a step." Your gift of \$1,500 per step will be honored with your name being inscribed on a plaque within the spiral staircase, and at the same time your commitment will show visitors to the lighthouse that you cared to make a difference in its preservation. Sponsors will also receive a personalized plaque and a Certificate.



Steps after restoration

Consider giving a step as a unique, personalized gift that will support capital projects that will impact the operation of the facility and its outreach programs for years to come.

Step status: Of the 32 steps available, at this printing 6 have been sponsored and 26 remain.

To sponsor a step, simply fill out the form below and mail it to us with your payment and we'll do the rest!

"Sponsor a Step" and have a lasting presence at the Light!



Mail the completed form to:

DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society, PO Box 307, Drummond Island MI 49726
For more information, please contact Jeri Baron Feltner at jeribaron@starband.net or 906-493-6079

- Yes, I want to sponsor a DeTour Reef Light Step. Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution for \$1,500.00
- Yes, my step is a gift. Please send me a gift card or personalize DRLPS letter to giftee indicating gift.

Name of Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

Sample nameplate:
 Step #32
 In memory of Nancy Ann Krueger
 Donated by Vern & Jackie Schatz
 August 23, 2005
 (All steps are numbered and a request can be made for a specific number if desired)

Print name as it is to appear on the step. Your text will be centered lengthwise and can have up to four lines.

Live TV Broadcasts from the Light!

On June 1, the *9&10 Michigan This Morning* broadcasted live from the DeTour Reef Light (DRL). The broadcast gave the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society's (DRLPS) motto, "We'll Keep the Light on for You", a brand new meaning.

Putting a video cam on the DeTour Reef Light was first proposed by Chuck Feltner, Treasurer and Director for the DRLPS. However, because of all the restoration activities over the last three years, the proposal had to stay on a wish list of unique uses for this proud and beautiful Light.

Recently, Dave Bardsley, Director and President of the DRLPS, encouraged Chuck to see if there was an opportunity to place a TV camera on the Light. Chuck shared his vision with Corey Adkins, Director of Photojournalism at Channel 9&10.



Lowell Shore, Chief Engineer, TV 9 & 10 News installs remote operated camera at top of DeTour Reef Light.

On May 24, Chuck took 9&10 News Chief Engineer, Lowell Shore, to the Light for an inspection to determine the feasibility of putting the video camera on DRL. The result was a definite "YES"! With 9&10 News' antennas, it was possible to relay signals from the Light to a tower just south of Mackinaw City and then to the studios of 9&10 in Cadillac.

The next week Corey and reporter Ted Haller came back and set up their equipment. On June 1st, 9&10 Michigan This Morning included live segments from the DeTour Reef Light. The crew was able to show many of the areas inside the light including the Keepers' Quarters, the gallery level overlooking the machinery area below, and the light tower. It was a unique way to showcase the success of the DRLPS. The camera shots showed the results of the effort and the vision of a hard working and dedicated group.



Chuck Feltner being interviewed by 9&10 News Reporter Ted Haller with Director of Photojournalism, Corey Atkins behind the camera.

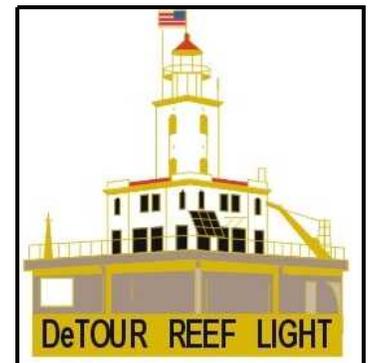
Because of the successful broadcast, Channel 9&10 mounted a Weather CAM on the northeast corner of DRL and during much of July and August their weather segments included live shots from the Light with views of Lake Huron, the St. Mary's River, Drummond Island, and DeTour Village.

In Chuck's words, "It's a good start." His vision is to have the views available 24 by 7 using links from the DRLPS website (www.DRLPS.com). He hopes that a video camera could be used for freighter and fisherman watching and possibly some husband watching by their wives at home.



Have you ordered one of our new DRLPS collectable patches or lapel pins?

If not, order yours today! See the order form on page 9 of this issue.



Cruising With DRLPS!

Sunday, June 18, 2006, marked the 9th Annual Father's Day Cruise up the St. Mary's River with the DeTour Reef Light Preservation



Above: Cruise narrator Chuck Feltner keeps "Cruisers" informed.

Society (DRLPS). An overcast sky with a light rain and cool breezes could not dampen the enthusiasm of the 130 passengers on the sold-out cruise (with 40 more on the waiting list!)

The Soo Locks Boat Tours (SLBT) vessel "Le Voyageur," piloted by Captain Jack Cork and his crew Maynard Adams and Charlie Lampman, left DeTour Village at 10:10 AM and headed out to DeTour Reef Light. As the boat circled the Light, Dave Bardsley, DRLPS President, dressed in a lighthouse keeper uniform, narrated a tour of the inside of the lighthouse. With a hand-held marine radio that was then relayed onto the boat's speaker system, he was able to vividly describe the interior of the lighthouse from the gallery level to the top of the light. John and Sunny Covell assisted him on the lighthouse deck.



Above: David Bardsley as the acting "Lighthouse Keeper" waves to the "Cruisers"

The Cruise then proceeded up river and through the Soo Locks with narration by Chuck Feltner of DRLPS and Maynard Adams of SLBT. The cruisers were treated to a mouth-watering brunch, gourmet buffet luncheon, and an afternoon snack served by Stan Todd and Carol Martin.

In honor of Father's Day, prizes of DRLPS memorabilia were presented for the "Oldest Dad" to Samuel Glenn of Gladwin, MI, and Jack Bilow of Onaway, MI, who are both 89; and for the "Most Children" to Gerry Decker of Bay Harbor, MI, and Reuben Flatt of Oxford, MI, who each have seven children.

Additional door prizes were awarded to several cruisers. Mike Hershberger donated a copy of his photograph of the DeTour Reef Light, the Main-sail Restaurant donated two gift certificates for dinner, Soo Locks Boat Tours donated a ticket for their tour of lighthouses down the St. Mary's River, the Drummond Island Resort and Conference Center donated a gift certificate for a round of golf, and DRLPS donated items from their memorabilia collection.

After the entertaining and educational tour, Cruisers boarded buses at the SLBT docks in Sault Sainte Marie and arrived in DeTour Village at 6PM.

Plans are already in process for next year's milestone 10th Anniver-



Above: Zak Sattler keeps the Le Voyageur on course during the Father's Day Cruise.

sary DRLPS River Cruise, scheduled for Father's Day, June 17, 2007.



Above: Carol Martin cuts the Father's Day cake!

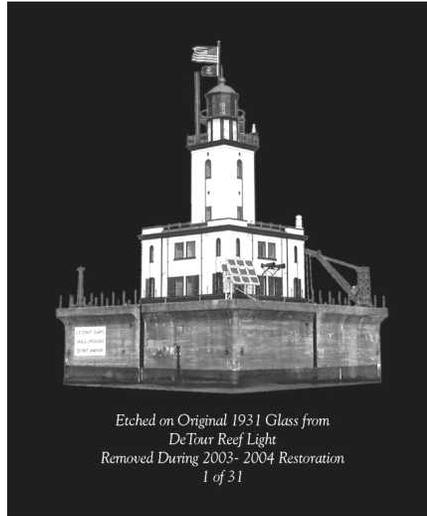
If you want to make sure you get a chance to be a "Cruiser" for 2007 make sure you sign up now with chairperson Anne Stafford (aestafford@sault.com)! 2007 will mark our 10th Anniversary of offering this truly unique experience, and if past attendance is any indication of the expected turn-out for this milestone event, you will want to make sure you don't end up on the "wait list"!

Still Available — Limited Edition Etching on Original Glass from DeTour Reef Light

Thirty one glass panes salvaged during the restoration of DeTour Reef Light have been etched with an image of the restored DeTour Reef Light. While individually etched with a sequence number, each pane is unique, as during cleaning and etching of the glass attention was made not to remove paint along the edges or the weathered and aged patina of the glass. The etching is on the non-weathered side of the glass. The panes are approximately 9 ¼ x 11 inches and ¼ inch thick.

Harbor View Framing of DeTour Village has designed a custom framing package that surface mounts the glass in an attractive and protective frame. This allows

the impressively thick edge of the glass to be visible as well as the patina of old paint and weathering. In the photo, the glass is placed over a black background, but Harbor View can use any color (such as blue, red, brown, etc) that will contrast with the etching.



Imagine that the glass pane is lying on a piece of black material. Then black represents clear glass in the above and white indicates engraved areas.

DRLPS is making this limited number of glass panes available at a price of \$300.00. Custom Framing by Harbor View in your choice of background color is available at \$150. DRLPS can ship directly to the purchaser or to Harbor View. Pricing excludes tax and shipping (\$15 for glass, TBD for framed glass). Each pane will be shipped with a certificate of authenticity and a significant portion of the cost can be tax deductible. At this printing 9 of the 31 panes have been sold.

You can place order with the form on page 9 or get further information for the limited edition DeTour Reef Light Etchings through emailing DRLPS@lighthouse.net or calling 906-493-6609.

See the Light! by John Covell

Hmmm!? Was it last time that my writings got me into trouble . . . ? No, so I guess it's OK for another round of reminiscences (big word, eh!) - but this will be lengthy, so big words, OK.

This time it's about the lighthouse (DRL). About a year ago my wife Sunny and I took the tour of the newly restored light. We missed a good deal of what Dave Bardsley said, mostly because we were just standing there in awe of the scope of the restoration—and the quality of the workmanship—and it only took two seasons to complete! The tour was like taking a trip back through four generations of the DRL. Since our tour in 2005, we have both been hooked—true DRL devotees. So, where to start with this story? How about a catalog of trivia?



Above: Excited tour participants snap photos of the Light and passing freighters during the boat cruise out to DRL.

This season Sunny and I have been guiding the tours of the light. Quite a few of our guests from DeTour and Drummond seemed surprised to hear things that Sunny and I assumed were common knowledge, such as 1) the original light on the point went into

service in 1848, 2) the structure of the 1861 lighthouse was incorporated into the 1931 offshore light, and is still there, 3) at the time that the offshore light was commissioned, there was no electricity in DeTour, and for a time DRL generated its own power.

However, it is not my intention to tell all, here in the pages of the Passages. Tours of two hours length are scheduled each Saturday throughout the summer season, with a few exceptions. More information about tours for 2007 is available on the DRLPS website—www.DRLPS.com—or by calling 906-493-6609 or emailing DRLPS@lighthouse.net

Ladies of the Light . . .

What does it take to be a "Lady of the Light"? How about a sense of adventure, a well developed sense of humor and most importantly—a strong back and willingness to expend some elbow grease as you work to get the Light spic-n-span for the "high season".

Those are the attributes our lovely group of "Light Ladies" all shared when they joined together for a weekend of work, camaraderie and fun on the Light this past Spring.

Rumor has it the men have decided they can't let the ladies have all the fun and are organizing a "Guys at the Light" weekend this fall to put the DRL to bed for the winter.



Right: Dotty Witten cleans the lantern



Left: Ann Mrakitsch sweeps up in the DRL staircase room.

Right: Nancy Kleiner pulls KP duty in the DRL bathroom.



Left: Sunny Covell scoots up the ladder to join the "Ladies of the Light" work crew.

Below: Ann Green makes sure the light fixtures are clean and functioning.



DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name (s) _____

Address _____

if you have both a summer & winter address, please indicate 2nd address on a separate paper and dates that it should be used

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

E-Mail _____ Fax _____

Signature _____

Today's Date _____ Office Use # _____

Please enroll me in the following membership category: *Check this box if this is a Membership Renewal*

Basic \$30 Includes collectors photo and DRLPS newsletter *Passages* (family members included).

Patron \$50 Same as above plus a 5x7 black & white 1931 photo of the Lighthouse.

Keeper \$100 Same as above plus an 8x10 color painting of the Lighthouse.

Lifetime \$500 Same as above plus your name inscribed on a plaque at the Lighthouse.

Grand Keeper \$1,000 Same as above plus a personalized engraved plaque.

And/or I would like to make a donation in the amount of \$ _____

In honor of _____

ENCLOSED IS MY PAYMENT OF \$ _____

Check or Money Order (payable to DRLPS) Visa MasterCard Discover Am Exp.

Acct # _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Will your company match this donation? Yes No Company Name: _____

Please join the DRLPS and help preserve a part of Michigan's magnificent maritime heritage.

Please mail application and payment to:
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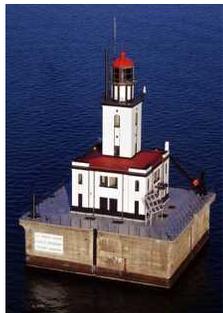
Memorabilia Order Form — DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society

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ITEM	DESCRIPTION	Price Each	Color	Size	Quantity	Total
1	Decal with Society Logo	\$1				
2	Bumper Sticker with Society Logo	\$1				
3	Cup with Society Logo	\$3				
4	Embroidered patch of DeTour Reef Light— 2 3/4 inch square	\$6				
5	DeTour Reef Light Collectors Pin— 1 1/8 inch	\$6				
6	Hat (blue or green)	\$15				
7	Child's T-shirt w/Lighthouse (white — child's S, M, or L)	\$10				
8	T-Shirt w/Lighthouse Crest (maroon or blue — M, L, XL, or 3X in blue only)	\$20				
9	Golf Shirt w/Lighthouse Crest (yellow or white — M, L, XL, or 2X)	\$25				
10	Men's (M) or Women's (W) Denim (indigo) Long-sleeve Shirt w/Lighthouse Crest (Men's = S,M,L,XL,2X,3X) (Women's = S, M) <i>Please specify gender</i>	\$35				
11	Sweatshirt w/Lighthouse Crest (green, wine, blue — L,XL,2X,3X -wine)	\$25				
12	10K Gold Charm of Lighthouse	\$70				
13	Sterling Silver Charm of Lighthouse	\$20				
14	Note Cards w/Lighthouse Drawing (pack of 10 with envelopes)	\$5				
15	Note Pads w/Lighthouse Logo (pack of 3 — 50 sheets per pad)	\$2				
16	8x10 Color Photo of 2004 Lighthouse	\$10				
17	8x10 Black & White Photo of 1931 Lighthouse	\$10				
18	DVD video of the Lighthouse before/during/after restoration	\$20				
19	2006 Ornament (clover-shaped glass etched w/2004 tower & lantern)	\$14				
20	1931 Limited Edition Lighthouse Window Pane (9 1/4 x 11 x 1/4 inch) w/ Etching of Lighthouse	\$300				
21	Custom Framing for item #20	\$150				



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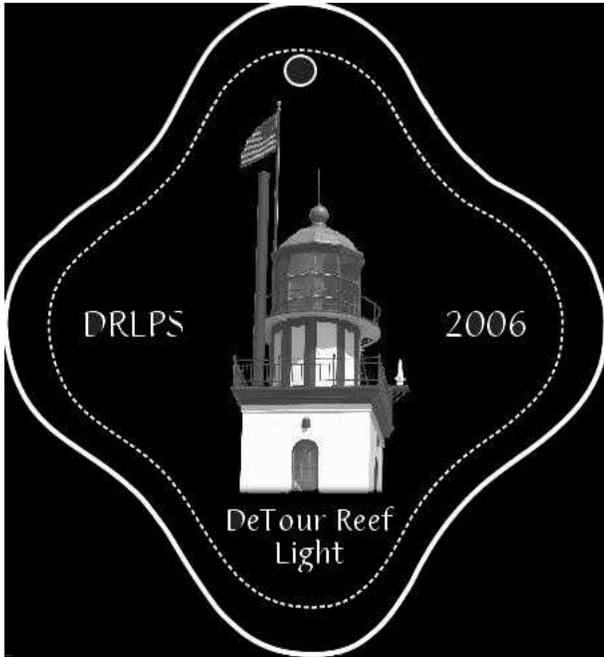
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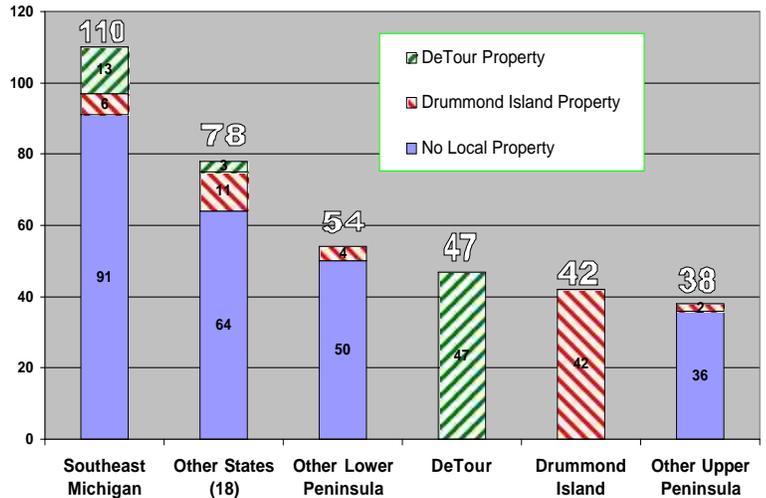


Imagine that the ornament is lying on a square piece of black material. Black represents clear glass, white indicates engraved areas, solid line indicates the edge of the ornament, and dashed line indicates the bevel edge.

This year's DRLPS limited edition holiday ornament is clover-shaped, 3x5 inch clear bevel-edged glass etched with a photo of the restored Lantern and Watch Room on the DeTour Reef Light, taken in 2005 by Mike Hershberger (www.harbor-of-refuge.com). Includes: a hanging ribbon, gift box and a description card. To order, please copy order form on page 9.

Where Do Our Members Live?

DRLPS Membership Demographics 2006 (Total 269)



The chart above clearly shows that the majority of support for the DRLPS comes from those with no direct ties to the local area.

It is often assumed that Society members share some connection with either DeTour or Drummond Island — but when the 2006 demographics were compiled it became glaringly obvious that the majority of our membership base comes from individuals with no direct ties (in the form of property ownership) with either of these local communities.

So who are the people who support the work of the Society? They are individuals, like yourself, who have a passion for maritime history. They are concerned about the preservation of historical landmarks for future generations. And they have an understanding of the huge commitment in terms of time, energy and monies needed to ensure the restoration and maintenance of historical, significant landmarks like DeTour Reef Light.



Candis Collick — Editor Extraordinaire

For more than a year Candis has been doing the very difficult task of collecting and editing articles and photographs and laying out the DRLPS Passages Newsletter. It is a job done inside and usually alone, when I know that her preference would be to be outside enjoying a walk in the woods with her Border Collie Katie or working on the Lighthouse. She has the background and skills to design and create an informative and inviting publication and the Society is enriched by her efforts. When Candis gave me the file for this issue of passages to take to the printer, this picture and note were not in her edited copy. Taking some liberties as Society President, I have inserted this photo, which I took while we were reviewing a draft of Passages. I had to move and edit some material and, lacking Candis' skills, any errors you find are mine.

Thank you Candis — your efforts are truly appreciated!!

Dave

What You Missed If You Didn't Attend the 7th Annual *Evening Under the Stars* . . .



Above: Chef Nathan & crew made sure we were all well fed.



Above: Dotty Witten & Joyce Buckley make sure everything runs as planned!

Below: Candis Collick makes a few last minute calls, Joyce checks her list, while Tim Higgins wonders what to bid on in the Silent Auction!



Above: Clif Haley & David Bardsley do the honors of making the presentations during the program.



Above: Musicians Debbie & Robert Johnson provide the perfect accompaniment for the evening.



Above: Chuck Feltner & Roy Martin share a few laughs — Roy is well known for his bidding style during our Silent Auctions!



Above: Clif & Carolyn Haley enjoying a break from their many duties as Stars volunteers!



Above: They say a picture is worth a thousand words—but Chef Nathan's culinary creations are often beyond words!



Above: Sis Bailey (first chairperson of the Evening Under the Stars event) with husband Denny Bailey.





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"A fallen lighthouse is more dangerous than a reef."

- Navjot Singh Sidhu

Help keep the DeTour Reef Light standing! Contribute to the DRLPS Endowment Fund today!

DeTour High Students Get Involved!

Five students from DeTour High, along with their teacher, may have gotten more than they bargained for when they volunteered for a service project on the Light May 23, 2006.

The students were part of a project to get the Light up and running for the season by hauling out various pieces of furniture, hoisting them up to deck level via the crane system, and then man-hauling them up the internal stair system to their various final



L to R: Andy Dyal, Danielle Leazier, Jordan Barbeaux, Samantha Dyal, Dave Craig and DRLPS Director and DeTour High Teacher Russ Norris.



destinations! And according to DRLPS President David Bardsley—the students' young, strong backs and arms were greatly appreciated!

Left: Andy Dyal, Jordan Barbeaux and Russ Norris look on as DRLPS Treasurer Chuck Feltner maneuvers a load up to the deck using the crane system with Danielle Leazier at the crane controls

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