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Spring 2013

David J. Bardsley Selected for 2013 Citizen Award Presented by the Michigan Historic Preservation Network

David J. Bardsley has been selected to receive the Michigan Historic Preservation Network (MHPN) 2013 Citizen Award for his "... Contribution and Dedication to Preserving and Restoring the DeTour Reef Light". The award is presented at the MHPN's Annual Conference to an outstanding individual, who "through personal effort and/or involvement in historic preservation projects has made a significant contribution to the preservation of Michigan's heritage." This is the first time the Lighthouse community has been recognized by the MHPN.

After receiving notification of the award, Dave shared, "I am humbled by MHPN Citizen Award and by everyone in DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society (DRLPS) that also deserve this award ... It will take a while for me to come out of shock and figure out how to share this honor

with all who have worked so hard to restore the DeTour Reef Light and to keep our programs running for the benefit of those who treasure our maritime heritage and want to experience life on an off shore light station."



DRLPS President, Ann Method Green noted, "We are proud that Dave has received this honor. He has played a significant part in our success and his constant, dedicated, and untiring efforts towards restoring the DeTour Reef Light, building the Society, and helping ensure that the Light will be available for future generations to enjoy and appreciate uniquely qualifies him for the award. Beyond his work with the DeTour Reef Light, he is also an active volunteer and contributing member of many community organizations." These additional contributions include the Drummond Island Lions, Keryx Prison Ministry-Chippewa Area Council, the Drummond Island Writing Team for the Comprehensive Resource Management Plan for Drummond Island. He is a volunteer for the Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS), an elder of the Drummond Island Lutheran Church and he was a member of the Drummond Island Inter-Service Council until it disbanded. He is also a member of the Senior Lunch clean-up crew and "emcee" at the lunches, has raised a puppy for Leader Dogs For the Blind, and offers a dog training class to dog owners in the community.

The Michigan Historic Preservation Network

The MHPN awards have been presented annually since 1994 in multiple preservation categories including Commercial/Building, Citizen, Community, Government/Institution, Cultural Landscape, Tax Credit Project, Memorial, Leadership, and Distinguished Service.

The 33rd Annual Statewide Preservation Conference will be held on the campus of Northern Michigan University in Marquette from May 8-11, 2013. The theme of this year's conference is "Ingredients of Place". The Awards Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 10th at the C. Fred Rydholm Gathering Hall in the Marquette County Historical Society.



Evening Under the Stars

Friday, July 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.
 At Bayside Dining on the Waterfront on Drummond Island
 14th Annual Lighthouse Benefit Dinner
 \$125* per person

Please fill out form below and send to DRLPS STARS, PO Box 307, Drummond Island MI49726

Yes, I can attend STARS on July 5, 2013 (Receiving your RSVP by June 25 is appreciated)

Number of Persons Attending: _____

Attendee Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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Cost is \$125* per person. Enclosed Payment: \$ _____

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**Evening Under the Stars
 2012**



*Stan Todd, Debbie Hanson,
 Leetha Rodgers*



*Joyce Buckley, Nella Gries,
 Marge Haley*



*John Covell and
 Paul Johnson*

Photos by Sunny Covell

**Frownfelter/Eikey Father-Son Adventure
 on DeTour Reef Light**

Each August, David and Dan Frownfelter and Kevin Eikey plan an adventure with their sons. Beaver Island, Lime Island and Charity Island have been adventures in the past for the "August Knights," (title chosen after reading the book "How to Raise a Modern-Day Knight.") In 2012 they chose DeTour Reef Light for their annual outing. "We really got excited during planning meetings, as we pondered the marvel of this incredible lighthouse, and the privilege of being keepers for the weekend," said



*Pictured (L to R): Colton Frownfelter,
 Kevin Eikey, Dan Frownfelter, Erik
 Eikey. Photos courtesy of David
 Frownfelter*

David. Adventures always bring out hearty appetites, so quantity of food was important. But as you can see from the table setting, their goal was excellence as well. Cook David remembered everything needed for the weekend except the lettuce (a key ingredient for mandarin chicken salads!) so he called Sunny Covell, who happened to be coming to the lighthouse that day with a tour group. She was so kind to bring along a head of lettuce--thanks Sunny! The August Knights are still talking about the thrilling weekend spent on DRL, and hope to return one day soon.



*Mandarin chicken salad
 (with lettuce)*

What Would You Like to See?

For the past eight years, the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society has issued a new “Collector Postcard” to all of its current members. A limited number of these cards have also been made available for sale to the public after the membership year. They have ranged from a variety of exterior views to pictures of the interior (see below). It’s time to think about the postcard for 2014, and we would like to know what you would like to see on the card. There has been a suggestion to use an historic photo of DeTour Point, or maybe you even have a photo that would make a great card. We do not pay for the photos we use on the cards, but we do give credit to the photographer. We’re looking for a view of the lighthouse that’s different from what anyone cruising by could capture. Also, we probably would not want to use a photo with people in it. Please drop an email with your suggestions to membership@drpls.com.



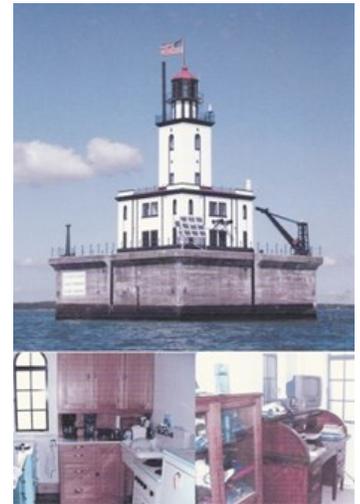
2006

Collector Photo created by Jim Kelley of North Haven Gifts, Drummond Island, and donated to DRLPS. Small pre-restoration photo by Terry Phipps. Large post-restoration photo by David Bardsley.



2007

1861 Watch Room & Lantern on 1931 tower. Photo by Mike Hirshberger.



2008

Exterior photo by Dr. Hallie Wilson. Kitchen and Office photos by Sheri Stepien.



2009

SS Vassaborg framed by DeTour Reef Light crane (2008 DRLPS Photo Contest Grand Prize Winner) taken by Judy Mills.



2010

“Special Sunrise” 2009 DRLPS Photo Contest Winner taken by Dr. Hallie Wilson.



2011

1931 as built by US Lighthouse Service, photo courtesy USCG Chief Historian. 1997 as leased by US Coast Guard to DRLPS (photo by Dick Moehl). 2010 as restored and owned by DRLPS (photo by David Bardsley).



2012

Aerial photo of DeTour Reef Light taken in April 2010 by Dr. Hallie Wilson.



2013

“Lonely Sentinel” photo of DeTour Reef Light taken circa 1986 by Sunny Covell.



S.A.D. or S.L.W.S.? More Musings from a Lighthouse Tour Guide

Would you believe that what they now call Seasonal Affective Disorder (S.A.D.) was discovered before 1885? True story. Experts were skeptical at first, but this condition is now recognized as a common disorder. It is also simply known as winter depression, or winter blues. It is a mood disorder in which people who have normal mental health throughout most of the rest of the year, experience depressive symptoms in the winter or summer, spring or autumn year after year. In the summer the condition can include heightened anxiety. I can relate to that one....



Also in the DIAGNOSTIC and STATISTICAL MANUAL of MENTAL DISORDERS, S.A.D. is NOT a unique mood disorder, but is a "specifier of major depression" also known as winter depression, or winter blues. They also say that there are varying degrees as to the severity of this problem. Hard to believe there are even those with summer depression or summer blues as well! Pick a season...there is a disorder for it. That is why they came up with one general title....Seasonal Affective Disorder. Even the U.S. National Library of Medicine notes that "some people experience a serious mood change when the season changes"no, really?

But not to worry. It seems there are lots of treatments, remedies, whatever you want to call them, to aid the sufferer of what is commonly called S.A.D. Before they came up with a name to put on this malady, we all figured it was just a natural desire to want to head south for the winter. That was the answer, or cure depending on how severe your affliction. Just pack up and spend several weeks, or months in a sunnier warmer climate.

Does this mean that folks we lovingly call "snow birds" are actually victims of this unfortunate dilemma? If that is true, do you suppose that "snow birds" may possibly be able to have their doctor's write out a prescription for whatever number of weeks may be necessary to "cure" this disorder? For those sufferers who are not able to make this great escape, there are ads galore expounding on the advantages of their product. There are light boxes, therapy lamps, and even, believe it or not, dawn and even dusk simulators! One of our dear friends jokingly says that he is allergic to snow. Well maybe he really is! For him the light therapy obviously would NOT do the trick. He HAS to go south!

These medical folks could just have easily used the word syndrome instead of disorder. Looking through one of my old medical dictionaries, the definition of syndrome goes like this. "A combination of symptoms resulting from a single cause or so commonly occurring together as to constitute a distinct clinical picture." There were pages and pages of "syndromes"! Anyhow, I said earlier that I could relate to the "heightened anxiety" bit.

This is where I deviate from the Seasonal Affective Disorder title. I diagnosed myself with what has become a very real malady in the Covell household. It is the Severe Lighthouse Withdrawal Syndrome, commonly called S.L.W.S. It usually hits its peak during the last tour of the season. More specifically, it hits during the return ride back in the LUK DRAGON from the DeTour Reef Lighthouse. There is a point as you enter the peaceful waters of Whitney Bay where a piece of land to the west slowly creeps towards the lighthouse. Suddenly, it looks like the lighthouse actually DISAPPEARS!

You have to be seated facing the south to witness this phenomena. Just ask our Captain, Meade Gable! I know he has sometimes turned his head from looking towards the dock, and spotted me on my knees pointing south. I am getting the attention of our tour participants, to turn their gaze to the direction of the lighthouse. The DRL, is about to vanish from sight! I have been known to actually shed a few tears here, but these are not seen as I am usually wearing sun glasses!!

Yes. I have been struck with the S.L.W. S.!!

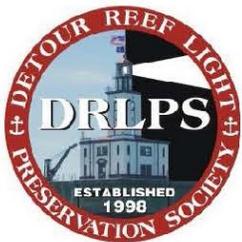
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This "disorder" can be combated in a number of different ways through the winter months. Several times during the long winter nights, we put on the DVD, GATEWAY TO SUPERIOR. As you know, this is all about the history and restoration of the DeTour Reef Lighthouse. Surprisingly enough, we occasionally pick up on something we may have missed before. Watching this DVD also makes the DeTour Reef Light very real. It has NOT disappeared after all!

For my husband John, the Head Tour Guide, he usually spends hours on his computer. Thanks to Chuck Feltner, the historian for the DeTour Reef Light Preservation, John has access to dozens of old architectural drawings of the DeTour Reef Light. He has literally "cleaned up" otherwise almost unrecognizable drawings to be seen in all their glory! As for me, well, I use my computer too. I write up some of my "musings" and send them. Now that I have FINALLY learned how to attach photos with my emails, I have been keeping in touch with past tour participants, and sharing some memories with them. Anyhow, REMEMBERING THE GOOD TIMES.....is what I am all about.

Sunny Covell....doing my bit "Keeping the Light on for You!"....



16th Annual
Father's Day Cruise on the St. Marys River

Sunday June 16, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.
 Departing DeTour Village Ferry Dock 9:30 a.m.
 \$95 per person



Please fill out form below and send to DRLPS STARS, PO Box 307, Drummond Island MI49726

Yes, I can attend the Father's Day Cruise on June 16, 2013 (Receiving your RSVP by June 1st is appreciated)

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Inquiry about Former Lighthouse Tender Whaleboat believed to be stationed at De Tour Reef Light 1945-1960

By Joseph Sabo

I am attempting to get some information and documentation on a Former US Coast Guard 26ft Motor Whaleboat that I own. I believe it may have been assigned to the De Tour Reef Light Station from 1945 till sometime in the late 50's to early 60's.

I have owned the boat since 1999 and have just finished restoring her (again), and have taken her to a few wooden boat shows in the area in which I live, Upstate NY. I am attempting to get some documentation on her and find out more of her history when she was assigned to the US Coast Guard. The former owner is deceased and I have contacted his son who lives in Sturgeon Bay, where I found *Geraldine* (the present name of my boat).

Ed Doerr of Sturgeon Bay Wisconsin found the boat on a farm near De Tour, Michigan and was told it was assigned to the DeTour Reef Lighthouse as a tender. The vessel was built in 1945 in Curtis Bay, Maryland at the US Coast Guard near Baltimore. I believe the farmer acquired the boat through a Government Surplus Property Sale or an auction. When Mr. Doerr found *Geraldine*, she was in pretty rough shape and the owner had no use for the boat which was sitting upside down on blocks rotting away. The farmer basically told Mr. Doerr, "If you can get it out of here, you can have it."

Mr. Doerr saw some potential in the boat and moved it to his warehouse where it sat for a few years. Around 1980, he sent it to Tassier Boatworks in Cedarville, Michigan where it was restored and brought back to life as a classic motor launch with a new motor, lots of polished brass, varnished mahogany, and teak decks (to the tune of about \$40,000.00). Mr. Doerr kept it at his home in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin.



In the mid 1990's Mr. Doerr passed away and *Geraldine* was passed on to Mr. Doerr's son. However, his son left the boat to sit for about 5 years and her condition deteriorated and a decision was made to donate *Geraldine* to the local Maritime Museum in Sturgeon Bay. I came upon *Geraldine* at the 11th hour, so to speak, and made an offer to purchase and acquired her in the spring of 1998.

I once again brought her back to her former glory and have been the caretaker of her for the past 13 years. I added the biminy top and have taken her to a number of antique wooden boat shows where she has been admired by all who see her.



I would like to ask any of you if you can help me fill in the spaces of her life and possibly dig up some old photographs or steer me in a direction to acquire such documentation on *Geraldine* for the past 67 years. I can be contacted by email at josailboat@aol.com or via phone at 518-534-2226. Thank you for your time and I hope to hear from you soon.



LISTEN TO THE WATER..... Let your voice be heard!

By Joe Henne

I am most fortunate to live on the lower St Mary's River, and consequently am witnessing a very alarming situation that is developing on the waterfront: The beach is growing! We are advised by International Joint Commission (IJC) officials of reasons not to be concerned because of droughts, evaporation, cycles and such, but we are seeing rocks appear that were not there last year or even last month. Some of us remember the 'threat' of the high water issues of the late 1980's when shoreline erosion was a topic of discussion. But now, how far has the proverbial pendulum swung in the other direction?

So last month, I wrote to both of our senators expressing my alarm of this issue. Senator Carl Levin emailed me back a letter mentioning key words: studies, research, IJC, monitoring, Army Corp of Engineers, and Georgian Bay Association (GBA). Senator Levin also mentioned that in a recent investigation, commissioned by Georgian Bay Association, that a significant detail emerged: "...GBA has recently estimated that outflows from Lakes Michigan/Huron may have inadvertently increased by as much as 2.5 BILLION gallons a day due to dredging operations in the St. Clair River."

My Dad was tremendous with numbers. He was a dairy farmer and screw machine operator (in a small local shop) but given his mathematical acumen likely should have been an engineer of some sort. With his micrometers in hand he would serve a metric lesson in hundredths, or thousandths and ten thousandths---as my eyes glazed over. My Dad lost his vision in later years; but not his internal GPS, or arithmetic abilities. He always knew exactly where he was by factoring measured markers by miles, gallons, fractions, kilograms, bushels, or townships. I never liked 'story' problems in grade school as there always seemed to be a ghost factor that would complicate my figuring. The "Fred" in me however, grabbed a pencil and paper and away we went (too many zeroes to do in my head...sorry Dad!). $2,500,000,000$ (gallons) \times 365 (days) \times 10 (years or maybe 20 or 50) = a nightmare for all of us! It multiplies up into the TRILLIONS.... inconceivable! You do the math. LISTEN --- Can you hear it? You recall the sound of water going down the drain of a bathtub? NO, it is NOT audible but currently IS BECOMING MORE AND MORE VISUAL with each coming marker of time.

The water levels in/on Lakes Huron/Michigan are now more than 6 feet below the record high (set in October of 1986)...lower than it has been for any month since official statistics were initiated in 1918. Federal officials have previously acknowledged that dredging/mining in the St. Clair River has dropped the average lake levels by 16 inches. A recent study suggests an additional 3-5 inches (nearly 2 feet caused by man---- not Mother Nature!).

Riverbed restoration had been planned in the 1960's using sills at the head of the river following the dredging/mining. Perhaps it is time for a bi-national effort to finish the job (50 years later). My Dad would have done

the math. He would have suggested: "BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!" We need to call, write or email our elected and appointed officials---- all of us! Do take the time. LET YOUR 'VOICES' BE HEARD!!!! Tell them that we are watching, we are measuring, we are monitoring one of our most precious commodities and that we are concerned. We have read the lips of our water's edge and it has told us to act.



Meyer house on Drummond's "U" Block, Summer, 2012



Meyer house on Drummond's "U" Block, December 2012

Help Repair the DeTour Reef Light Roof!

Thanks for the Donations Received from our Readers

If you would like to join the growing list of donors to the roof repair (\$30,000 from DRLPS and matched with \$60,000 from the Michigan Save our Light Program), send your donation to: DRLPS—Repair the Leaky Roof, PO Box 307, Drummond Island MI 49726. (Your donation is tax deductible as allowed by law – Tax ID: EIN 38-3387252). As soon as the DRLPS gets notification of the matching grant from MLAP the plans are in place to **get it done!**

Don't Miss a Single Issue of *Passages*

By Paula Bardsley

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Evening Under the Stars has a new Chair

Lorna Heydinger



The DRLPS warmly welcomes a new member to our hard working and dedicated chairs. Lorna Heydinger has stepped up to put together another fabulous and fun Evening Under the Stars. Previous chairs include the late Sis Bailey, Joyce Buckley, Judi Bailey Martin, Sandy Wytiaz and Jeri Baron Feltner.

Lorna has been coming to Drummond Island for 54 years and the Eastern UP is her favorite place on earth. She lives on Drummond Island now full-time and loves it.

She shares, “The best, brightest, most generous, loving, and most fun people live and come here. The DeTour Reef Light has always been a sight for sore eyes when I have been away and I'm excited about working with the DRLPS and the people who love the DeTour Reef Light. Please join us in July, or, in the very least, help support our wonderful treasure.”



Free Money

Paula Bardsley, Membership Chair

Thank you to those of you shop at Gordon Food Service GFS Marketplace stores and have your purchases credited to the DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society. Anyone who shops at GFS has an opportunity to donate to DRLPS every time you shop. GFS will credit 1% of total purchases to the Society. Then at the end of the year, DRLPS will receive the rebate. The total amount of purchases for the year has to be at least \$1,000.00 to receive any rebate, and in 2012, purchases credited to our account totaled \$1,814.77. If total purchases for the year exceed \$2,625.00, the Society will earn 2%. We apply these rebates toward refreshments for our tours. Remember, just tell the cashier when you're checking out that you would like your purchases credited to DeTour Reef Light House. You will also need to give them our customer number, which is **002059329**. If you have any questions, feel free to give me a call 906-493-6609 or send me an email at membership@drlps.com.

A Must Have DVD: Gateway to Superior: Saving the DeTour Reef Light

This DVD contains the story of the restoration of the DeTour Reef Light. It is told not only by the men and women of the DeTour Reef Lighthouse Preservation Society, but by those that actually carried out the work of the restoration. And, it is a story told by a man who took part in the construction, beginning in 1930.

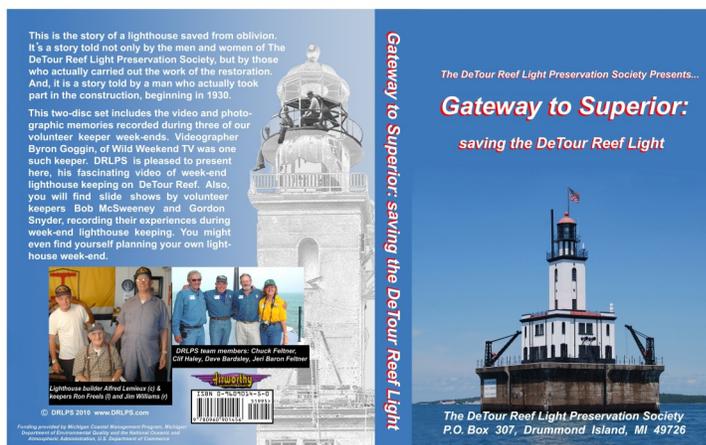
Fantastic footage is shown of the lighthouse before, during and after restoration, along with a fierce storm at the lighthouse in 1975. It includes interviews with the last known person who built the light-house in 1931 and past keepers sharing their personal experiences at the lighthouse, along with interviews of DRLPS officers and state and federal historical preservation officials.

The 83-foot historic structure, located a mile off-shore on a concrete crib, warns ships of a dangerous reef at the entrance to DeTour Passage at the mouth of the St. Mary's River which connects Lake Huron to Lake Superior. Restored by the DRLPS in 2004, it proudly sits between the two communities of De-Tour Village and Drummond Island as part of the rich maritime history of the region.

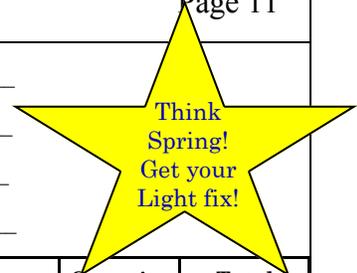
This two-disc set includes the video and photographic memories recorded during three of our volunteer keeper weekends. Videographer Byron Goggin, of Wild Weekend TV was one such keeper along with keepers Dave & Joan Meyer and Dr. Hallie Wilson.

DRLPS is pleased to present his fascinating video of weekend lighthouse keeping on DeTour Reef. Also, you will find slide shows by volunteer keepers Bob McSweeney and Gordon Snyder, recording their experiences during weekend lighthouse keeping.

To order this fantastic DVD set for just \$15, you can use the order form on the following page or find more information online at www.drlps.com.



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4	Embroidered patch of DeTour Reef Light— 2 3/4 inch square	\$6				
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13	DeTour Reef Light Counted Cross Stitch Kit 5”x7” designed by Hallie Wilson	\$10				
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DeTour Reef Lighthouse Preservation Society

DRLPS is a volunteer nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization established in 1998 to restore and preserve the DeTour Reef Light. Donations are welcomed and are tax-deductible (EIN 38-3387252, MICS 27001).

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 January 1998, local citizens joined together to save the Light.

The lighthouse was built in 1931, and proudly stands guard a mile offshore in northern Lake Huron at the far eastern end of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. The structure rises 83 feet above the water and 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 DRLPS received the 2005 Governor's Award for excellence in historic preservation, and the Superior Award in 2006 from the Historical Society of Michigan. The DeTour Reef Light is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In 2010 the DRLPS was designated a Preserve America Steward by First Lady Michelle Obama.

PURPOSE: the purpose of DeTour Reef Light Preservation Society is 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 lighthouse history; to enhance public awareness of the value this lighthouse and its keepers brought to our nation's development; to make the DeTour Reef Light a premier tourist attraction in Michigan's Upper Peninsula as the best example of a faithfully restored offshore lighthouse in the Nation; to provide the public safe access to the lighthouse; to raise awareness about the importance of volunteers in maintaining and preserving the DeTour Reef Light and the DRLPS for generations to come.

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