



**WATCH HILL LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS
ASSOCIATION**

Dedication

To all who make possible the preservation of a beautiful and historic landmark of the Rhode Island coastline — The Watch Hill Lighthouse.

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Foreword

When on August 31, 1986, the newly incorporated Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association assumed responsibility for the Watch Hill Light Station under a 30-year lease with the United States Coast Guard, the Association also undertook a major effort to secure the funding necessary to meet its commitment to maintain and preserve Watch Hill Point and its historic structures.

The Association's Board of Directors established a goal of \$250,000 and appointed Thomas W. Smith of its Board of Directors as Chairman of its Development Committee. In six months the funding goal was achieved and surpassed, and to date some 480 individuals and organizations have contributed to the Lighthouse Fund.

It was always the Association's intention to honor contributors in some permanent fashion. Initially, the plan was to erect a donor's plaque at the lighthouse, but upon further consideration, the Association has determined that the publication of a commemorative volume, honoring the contributors and incorporating a brief history of the lighthouse and of the effort to preserve it, might achieve wider recognition and provide greater satisfaction to those who had made the remarkable success possible. The impressive list included in this book speaks for itself of the generosity of a broad community of citizens who rose to the challenge and contributed to make possible the preservation of a beautiful and much loved landmark of the Rhode Island coastline.

A few additional words are required, however, to record special thanks to a few individuals on whose dedication and tireless efforts the very enterprise depended.

First, Elizabeth C. Crawford, who as President of the Watch Hill Improvement Society, learned in late 1985 of the Coast Guard's plans to disestablish the Watch Hill Light Station and set in motion the discussions which a year later would result in the 30-year lease which commenced in September, 1986.

Early in 1986, Liz formed a Steering Committee consisting of herself, Chaplin B. Barnes, Judith E. Griffin and F. Charles Swerz. Throughout the spring and summer of that year the four members of the Steering Committee devoted themselves to persuading the Coast Guard to turn the lighthouse over to the Watch Hill community and to organizing the community to undertake that responsibility. Frequent meetings, long hours, difficult negotiations and at times depressing happenings were finally rewarded with success.

The culmination of the Committee's efforts was a "Change of The Watch" ceremony, which took place Sunday, August 31, 1986, in which the U.S. Coast Guard disestablished the lighthouse and turned over responsibility for its future to the Association.

A further great debt is owed to the Watch Hill Improvement Society, which provided the initial institutional framework within which the Association was formed and incorporated. The Society was a generous contributor of funds, and its Presidents, first Elizabeth C. Crawford and subsequently Audrey C. Moore, and its Treasurers, first Jean G. Ladd and subsequently Patricia E. Bennett, gave freely and generously of their time and counsel.

In the nearly two years since the incorporation of the Association, it has been a pleasure and an honor to work with the Association's wonderful Board of Directors and

Officers in establishing the guidelines and operational procedures which will assure the future of the Watch Hill Lighthouse well into the coming century.

A final note of thanks is due to Susanne S. Knisley for bringing together the materials which follow and to Chaplin B. Barnes for his assistance in editing. Even in a project as limited in scope as this book, the reader must recognize that one is faced with numerous conflicting historical details, involving facts, dates, numbers and names. Where possible, conflicts have been resolved; where not, we have followed local, hence presumably more informed, sources.

F. Charles Swerz
President

Watch Hill
March 1, 1988



Historical Outline

WATCH HILL LIGHT, Watch Hill, Rhode Island

Light List No.:	18635
Location:	Latitude 41° 18.2'N Longitude 71° 51.5'W
Height:	45' (HAW 61')
Range:	16 Miles, White 15 Miles, Red Alternate Occulting and Flashing (2) Red every 15 seconds.
Lens:	FA-251 Uses 150 watt tungsten-halogen lamp. Rotation is daylight controlled
Radio Beacon:	306kHz, WH (___ __ ...) V, 10 Miles
Constructed:	1807
Rebuilt:	1855-1856
Automated:	August 31, 1986

That Watch Hill, located at the southerly most point of Rhode Island, at the juncture of Block Island Sound and Fisher's Island Sound, would have a beacon or a light tower was recognized early in Rhode Island history. The first

Watch Hill Point, the southerly most point of land in Rhode Island, juts into the sea at the juncture of Block Island Sound (to the east) and Fisher's Island Sound (to the west). The Point, Federal property since 1806, is managed by the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association under a lease entered into in 1986 and extending until 2016. View looking south. (Photograph by Hubbard Phelps)



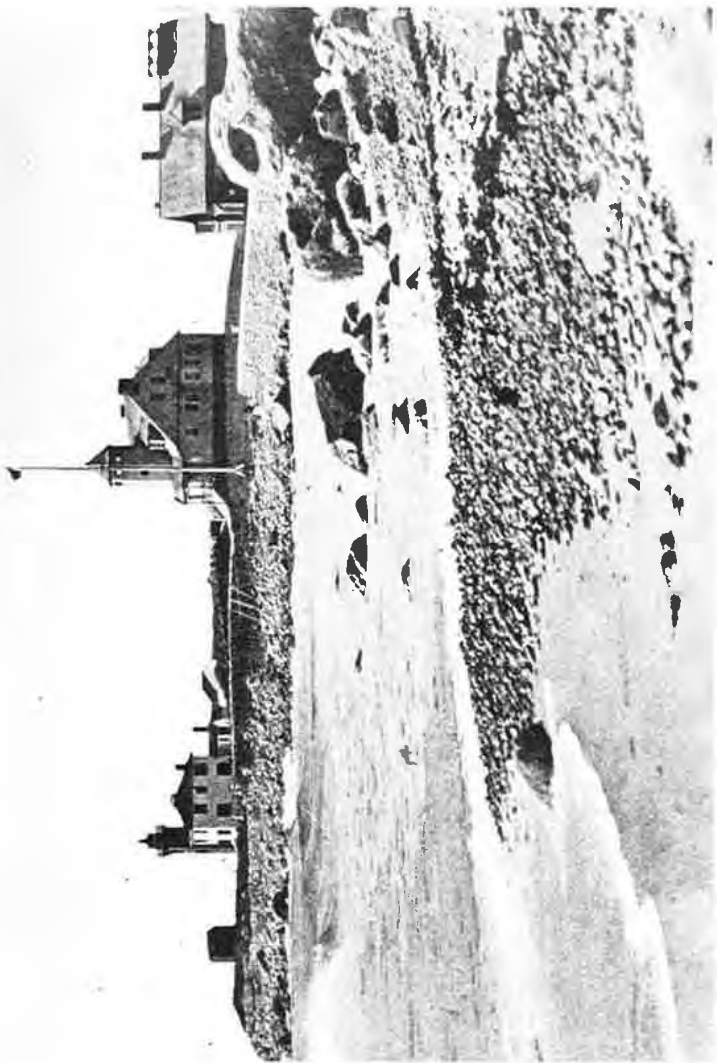
beacon or watch tower, meant to serve as a warning system for naval attack rather than as a navigational aid, was established by the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations during King George's War (1744-1748). This beacon was destroyed during a storm in 1781 and was not replaced until after Congress had provided for the erection of another structure in 1806.

In 1794 United States Commissioner of Revenue, Tench Coxe, consulted with Jeremiah Olney, Collector of Customs at Providence, on the advisability and desirability of erecting a lighthouse to mark the mouth of Fisher's Island Sound. Watch Hill Point in Rhode Island, Little Gull Island in Long Island Sound, and Watch Point on Long Island were all named as possible sites for the proposed light. Controversy raged for several years. Skipper John Updike and 54 other skippers favored Little Gull Island, while George Stillman, Surveyor for the Port of Pawcatuck, defended the Watch Hill location.

In 1806, Congress passed and President Thomas Jefferson approved and signed into law, January 22, 1806, "An Act to provide for lighthouses in Long Island Sound". It provided for the erection of two lighthouses, one on Watch Hill Point in Westerly, Rhode Island and one at Sand's or Watch Point in North Hempstead, Long Island. The Little Gull Island light was also approved in 1806. In the long haul, everyone won.

On May 3, 1806, George and Thankful Foster of Westerly, sold about four acres of land at Watch Hill Point

An early 20th Century photograph captures the view from the high bluff or "Watch Hill" before the construction of sea walls and summer cottages both on the hill and along Lighthouse Road. (Collection of Fred Buckley)



to William Ellery, Superintendent of the United States Lighthouse Service, for \$500. Although approved in 1806, actual construction of a round, shingled, wood tower was not completed until 1807. Elisha Woodward of New London was the builder. The light was supplied by a bank of ten whale oil lamps. There was a one-story house for the keeper built nearby. These structures stood for almost 50 years before being destroyed by gale winds.

In 1855 construction began on a new lighthouse. The gradual wearing away of the bluff by the action of the waves made it advisable to build the new lighthouse farther back from the shore, and the new structure was located some 50 feet northwest of the earlier one. At the same time, the shoreline was reinforced with large granite blocks taken from the quarries in Westerly.

The new tower was built in 1855-1856 of gray Westerly granite. It measured 45 feet in height and 10 feet square and was constructed of rock-faced gray granite blocks about 12 inches thick, 18 inches high, and of two different lengths, 8 and 10 feet. The granite blocks were placed so as to create a quoined effect at the corners. The three-story light tower was topped with a cast-iron and glass lantern containing a single Fresnel fourth order lens. Most early colonial lights in the United States produced a fixed beam of unknown candlepower. The few that were equipped to send a rotating beam did so at random with no accurate way of timing the revolutions.

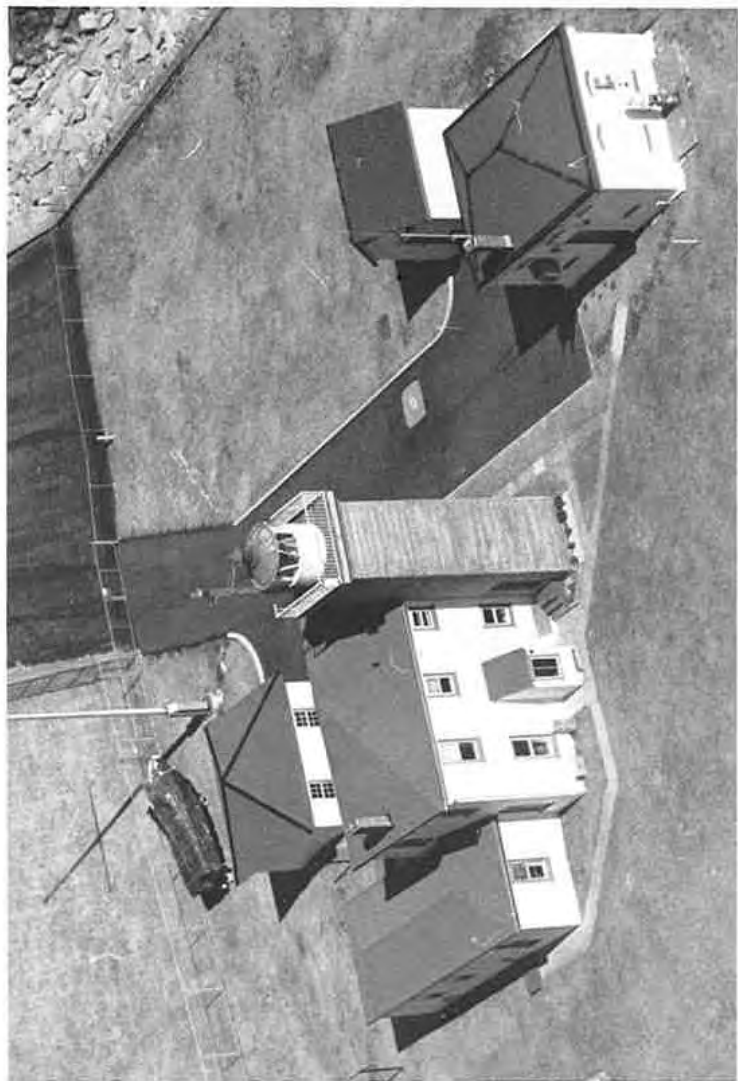
A view from below the "Watch Hill" shows the lighthouse buildings, the Life Saving Station and boathouse at the turn of the Century. (Collection of Hubbard Phelps)



In 1822, French physicist Augustin Fresnel developed a revolutionary ring-like lens that solved the problem of intensity and control of the beam, and led to the development of lighthouse lenses of a truly scientific design. The beautiful cut glass prisms set in brass frames collected and concentrated a high percentage of light emitted by the lamp and directed it out along useful horizontal beams. This much brighter light was soon in service in principal lighthouses in Europe. Skippers back from European voyages told of the lighthouse system there and how much better and safer it was than their own. The Fresnel lens was not officially accepted by the Lighthouse Board of the United States until 1852, primarily because of the successful lobbying efforts of Winslow Lewis on behalf of his own lamp system. However, by 1859 practically all United States lighthouses were using the superior Fresnel lens. Fresnel lenses are known as classical lenses. No longer being purchased by the Coast Guard, and as the Coast Guard continues to automate lighthouses and use the more economical modern plastic lens, the Fresnel lens in this country is literally disappearing. The Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association is proud to have received on loan the fourth order fresnel lens that was removed and replaced at the time the lighthouse was automated.

At the same time that the light tower was constructed, so was a keeper's house, and an oil house. The type of construction and architecture differed considerably from other New England light structures of the times. The availability

The tidal surge of the great 1938 Hurricane swept across Watch Hill Point, September 21, 1938, turning it into an island, leveling sea walls and largely destroying the recently constructed boathouse. (Collection of Fred Buckley)



of granite from the quarries in Westerly made common the construction of many public buildings in the immediate area of rock-faced granite. This practice was limited to and was unique to southern Rhode Island. The light tower followed suit. The keeper's house, built not of granite but of brick, was an example of a common style of 19th century domestic architecture. The fog signal house, erected later, in 1909, was dressed up with a simple Italianate detailing typical of the ornamentation used in Victorian-era industrial and commercial buildings. The visual impact of the new light tower at Watch Hill made it an immediate and important landmark, one valued by generations of residents and visitors alike as a monument forever associated with its shoreline.

Jonathan Nash was the first lighthouse keeper, and he looked after the first (1807) station with his numerous sons for twenty-seven years. Captain Nash often took in boarders to augment his annual salary of \$300. This practice was frowned on by the government, and he was forced to abandon it. However, the seed was planted, and Nash was destined to become the pioneer innkeeper of Watch Hill. Westerly people had not been unmindful of the recreational attractions of the sea, and picnics and outings along the beaches were already an established custom. In consequence, it had become an unofficial part of the lighthouse keeper's duties to dispense hospitality. The endeavor continued, and Jonathan Nash opened the first shore front hotel in Watch Hill, the Watch Hill House. The transition

Aerial view of the lighthouse complex from the southwest, showing the fog signal house in right foreground. (Photograph by Hubbard Phelps)



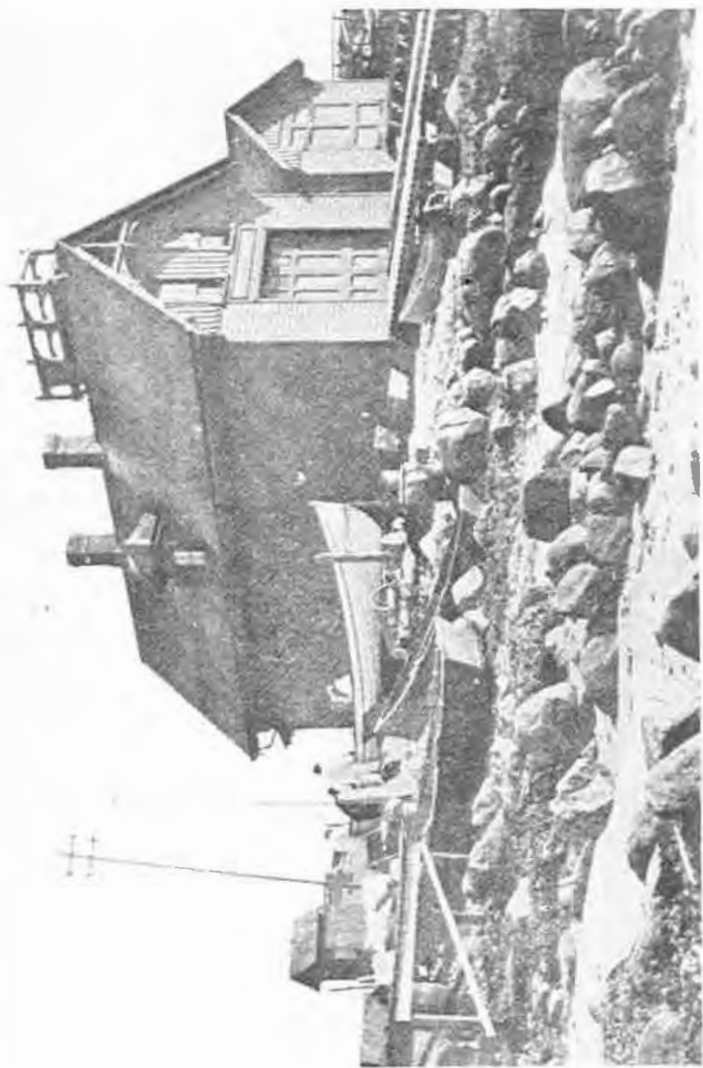
to hotelkeeper was a comparatively simple one. Moreover, with improving steamboat and rail transportation, Captain Nash may well have been hopeful of attracting summer business from a wider area. He lost his job as keeper in 1834, when the Jackson spoils administration turned him out. During Nash's tenure at the lighthouse, he reported forty-five vessels wrecked on the rocks near Watch Hill.

From Colonial times to the present, more than one hundred vessels are reported to have been wrecked at Watch Hill or on its outlying reefs, Watch Hill Reef, Sugar Reef, The Catumb Rocks and Napatree Point Ledge.

In a dense fog during the War of 1812, Oliver Hazard Perry, commanding a coastal patrol vessel en route from Newport to New London, ran aground upon the rocks at Watch Hill Point. He personally was exonerated after an investigation, blame falling on the pilot.

On a stormy night, Thursday, August 29 - Friday, August 30th, 1872, the Steamer "Metis", bound from New York to Providence, was rammed south of Watch Hill Point by a coastal schooner, the "Nettie Cushing". While the hull sank quickly with a heavy loss of life, the upper or hurricane deck remained afloat and, carrying some fifty persons still clinging to it, was swept east of the point and demolished in the tumultuous breakers on East Beach. As dawn broke, the scene was revealed to horrified on-lookers on the shore.

Over the centuries, scores of vessels have been wrecked on or off Watch Hill Point. The Brig "Toronto" foundered on the rocks in a gale, November 25, 1886. (Collection of Hubbard Phelps)

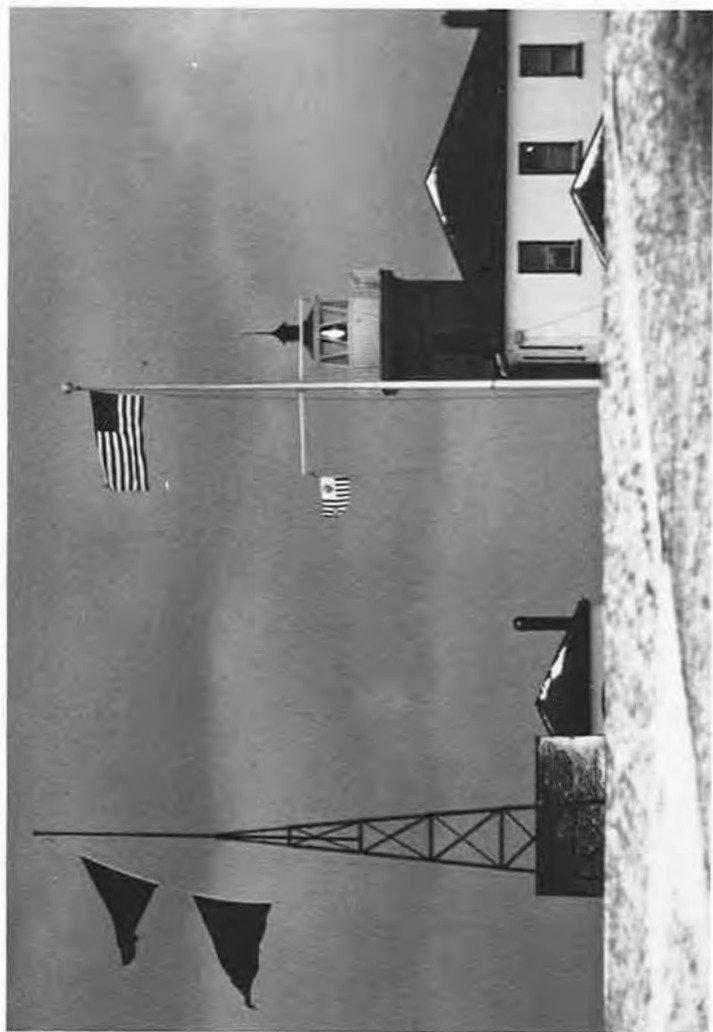


A volunteer life saving crew of hotel guests and workers was quickly formed, and as a result of their heroic efforts, thirty-three people were saved. Another twenty were lost in the surf. The following February, Congress passed a resolution authorizing President Ulysses S. Grant to issue to each rescuer a gold medal in appreciation of the crew's heroic efforts. The total loss of life in the disaster was estimated at one hundred sixty. In the wake of the tragedy, the Federal Government established the first Life Saving Station on Watch Hill Point, in 1879.

Nash was succeeded by Enoch Vose, Gilbert Pendleton, Daniel Babcock, Ethan Pendleton, Nelson Brown (at \$350 annual salary), Daniel F. Larkin, Jared S. Crandall, Mrs. Crandall (his wife), Joseph Fowler, and Julius Young. The last keeper of the light at Watch Hill was William I. Clark, who retired in the 1960's. From that time until August 31, 1986, personnel was under the jurisdiction of the United States Coast Guard, 3rd district.

Today, the buildings and grounds of the Watch Hill Light Station are kept in excellent condition through the efforts and generosity of the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association, which assumed care of it when it became automated on Sunday afternoon, August 31, 1986. On that day a 30-year lease with the Coast Guard was signed and celebrated by the Lighthouse Keepers. Two apartments in the keeper's house are used as rental units, and the tenants are responsible for providing security and protecting the

The furor that followed the calamitous wreck of the Steamer "Metis" in 1872 led the Federal Government, in 1879, to establish a Life Saving Station at Watch Hill Point. (Collection of Hubbard Phelps)



buildings and grounds from vandalism. The station is now equipped with two fog-sensor beams that can detect fog at a distance of five miles, as well as a timer to activate the light beam at night. The Aids to Navigation Team, a Coast Guard unit in New Haven, is responsible for the operation and upkeep of the automated equipment.

The Watch Hill Light Station is significant for its association with the history of commerce and transportation in Rhode Island. For more than 180 years the lighthouse has served as an aid to navigation, helping to ensure safe passage of goods and travelers. As a visually prominent man-made element of the coastline, the Watch Hill Lighthouse is an important cultural landmark. It stands as a symbol of the maritime heritage of the town and state. Today, Watch Hill Light still serves as an important navigational aid to maritime traffic. Its historical associations, architectural quality, and scenic character make it a cultural resource worthy of preservation. In 1984 the lighthouse was nominated to be included in the National Register of Historic Places.

The Watch Hill Lighthouse complex seen from the north, with gale warnings flying. The granite tower and the keeper's house date from 1855-1856 and succeed earlier structures erected in 1807. (Photograph by James D. Thornton)



Disestablishment Ceremony Highlights

AUGUST 31, 1986

Welcoming Remarks

Petty Officer, 1st Class, Anthony Methot, Engineering
Petty Officer, Coast Guard Light Station, Watch Hill:

“...Welcome to this afternoon’s symbolic ceremony when the Coast Guard Light Station Watch Hill will be disestablished, and the site will be symbolically acquired by the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association and the Watch Hill Improvement Society...”

“Change of the Watch” ceremony, August 31, 1986. (Photograph by Hubbard Phelps)

Invocation

The Reverend Joseph P. Bishop, D.D.

To the Watch Hill Lighthouse

O thou strong tower of warning and protection,
we pause to give thanks for your unwearying function,
remembering the long finger from your height,
sweeping your bright sword through the shadow of night.
When we were young 'without a crack in the heart',
softly, we sat near you, wide-eyed to see the dark
stabbed awake by your command above these rocks.
The night world of stars and sky wake from its box,
illuminated, obedient to your imperious cry,
birds, wheeling and white from the pounding sea flew by.
Long ships far beyond this point and this shore,
fishermen, caught in the water's wind and roar
saw your light. They heard your voice. They sighed relief,
in gratitude for deliverance from this reef.
Anchors feel into the deep, sails flapped unfurled
The moon staggered watching if ships were hurled
'gainst this rocky shore. The sea rolls on and on.
Your beam flows across its bosom from dusk to dawn.
God's voice sounds in the buoy bell, lifted by the tides,
calling the drowned ones home, while the lighthouse bids
its time, content to shine, either by machine or man,
begging that its eye be unshut as long as it can,
permitting its light in the high windowed room,
to bless this place and all who from these shores do roam.

Introduction of the Official Party

Commander David H. Lyon, Commander, Coast Guard Group Long Island Sound, representing Commander, 3rd Coast Guard District.

Petty Officer, 1st Class Charles Merritt, Officer in Charge, Coast Guard Light Station, Watch Hill.

Audrey C. Moore, President, Watch Hill Improvement Society.

F. Charles Swerz, President, Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association

Elizabeth C. Crawford, Past President, Watch Hill Improvement Society

The Reverend Joseph P. Bishop, D.D.

Orders for Disestablishment

Petty Officer 1st Class Charles Merritt:

"Official Orders, United States Coast Guard

From the Commandant, Washington, D.C., to
Commander Third Coast Guard District:

Subject: Operating facility change-over
to disestablish Light Station
Watch Hill.

Paragraph 1: You are authorized to
disestablish Light Station
Watch Hill as an operating unit,
United States Coast Guard,
during the fiscal year 1986.
Notify Commandant by message
of actual date of disestablish-
ment.

Paragraph 2: Unit off-sight # 03-41274 and
activity address code Z41274
are cancelled upon disestablish-
ment. All references to this unit
will be removed from the list of
the operating units of the
United States Coast Guard.

Signed:

Martin H. Daniel,
Acting Chief of Staff
United States Coast Guard"

Disestablishment of the Unit Retiring of the Ensign

“Sir, I have made rounds about the decks and spaces; all is secure. The light is working properly, the Coast Guard Light Station Watch Hill is ready to be disestablished.”

“Disestablish the unit.”

Remarks

Commander David H. Lyon:

"...We have all come together to share in a symbolic dual ceremony marking the disestablishment of a Coast Guard Light Station and the assumption of the property by the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association..."

"...The last of the Coast Guard lighthouse keepers make their final preparations to depart, while the newly formed Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association commences the final arrangements to take over..."

"...State-of-the-art technology will replace the manpower intensive, constant care that was necessary to keep the light, the radio beacon, and the fog signal operating properly..."

"...What the automation package did not cover was the general upkeep of the buildings and grounds..."

"...Somehow, we could not let this picturesque landmark go uncared for. We knew that the light would continue to shine for the mariner. But we wanted to gain that same assurance for the rest of the facility. We wanted to find someone who would continue to love and to attend to this facility and make it a place of beauty. I think we have found such a person in the Watch Hill Improvement Society and the Watch Hill Lighthouse Keepers Association. We are deeply grateful to you for ex-

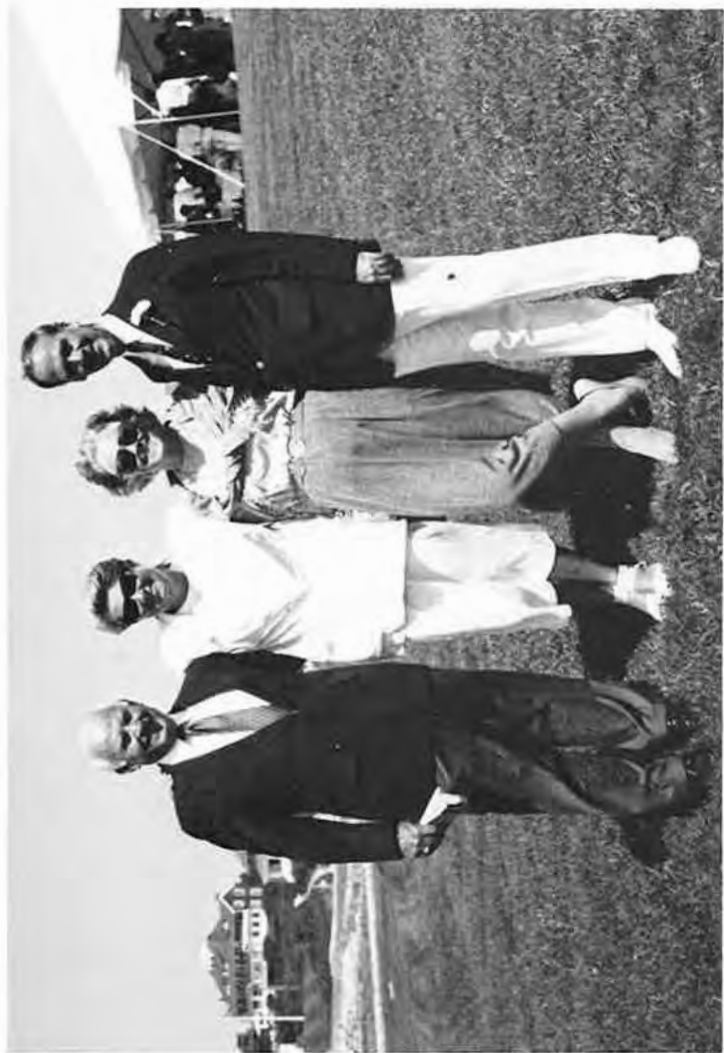
pressing your desire and willingness to take over this site. We know you care. Through your efforts, our children, and their children after them, will be able to enjoy these structures and grounds..."

"...Thank you for your commitment to the future..."

Presentations

The last Coast Guard Ensign to fly over the Light Station.

The Fourth Order Fresnel Lens that guided mariners back to these shores since Friday, February 1, 1856.



Remarks

F. Charles Swerz:

"...I am delighted to accept the Coast Guard ensign and the Fresnel lens on behalf of the Association..."

"...The Watch Hill Lighthouse is the most visible, natural, and historic landmark of our coastline, and it is the show-case of our community..."

"...It is our intention to preserve and maintain these historic structures, to manage the point, to permit public access to the premises under the same provisions as those of the Coast Guard and hopefully in time to expand its use by establishing a museum that will focus on the history of the Light Station and the nearby coast..."

Elizabeth C. Crawford:

"...One of the first women who was involved with Lighthouse Point, this glorious point, was Thankful Foster. And I must say that her first name says it all for me. I am thankful to all of the ladies of the Improvement Society who took on this scary and unknown proposition and gave me tremendous support, overwhelming support..."

The Steering Committee (F. Charles Swerz, Judith E. Griffin, Elizabeth C. Crawford and Chaplin B. Barnes) at the Disestablishment Ceremony, Sunday afternoon, August 31, 1986. (Photograph by Tina I. Barney)

"...I am also very thankful for our super Steering Committee, Charlie (Swertz), Chap (Barnes) and Judy (Griffin)..."

Audrey C. Moore:

"...The Watch Hill Improvement Society under the direction of Liz Crawford has performed a tremendous service to Watch Hill and Westerly and others who enjoy Watch Hill's beauty and uniqueness. Many hard and discouraging hours went into making the transition from years of beautiful care of Watch Hill Point by the Coast Guard, until today when we are ready and hopefully able to take over the maintenance job the Coast Guard did so well..."

"...As the new President of the Improvement Society, I would like to thank all of you who have worked so hard..."

"...And to pledge to you that the Improvement Society will be behind the newly established Lighthouse Keepers Association in every possible way..."

"...The Lighthouse has been disestablished, and now on behalf of the Watch Hill Improvement Society, I declare the station grounds open to the public, and invite all of those present to join us for refreshments under the tent..."

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