



NEWSLETTER

December, 2021

We are on the February 18th agenda for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places!

A Big, Big thank you!

This exciting news about the Kewaunee Lighthouse being considered for national historic status would not have been possible without the hard work and persistence of many people. We want to thank the Lighthouse Committee, the Friends of the Kewaunee Pierhead Lighthouse, the many volunteers who have helped prepare it for open days, and the visitors who have made all the effort worthwhile by their enthusiasm and excitement. Thanks to you all, we can celebrate a very successful year!



Online Store News!

We are in the process of opening and adding to the Friends of the Kewaunee Pierhead Lighthouse Online Store. There will be t-shirts, hats, magnets, mugs and other gifts to celebrate the lighthouse. All proceeds from sales will go towards its restoration and upkeep. Just follow the Online store tab at the Friend's website

kewauneepierheadlighthouse.org

Membership Information

There are different levels of membership to the Friends Of the Kewaunee Lighthouse.

\$30/year
Individual

\$50/year
Family – Covers two adults and dependent children

\$250/year
Family with Endowment Donation

\$500 Individual Lifetime

To join or renew your membership, visit the membership tab on the Friends' website at kewauneepierheadlighthouse.org

Communications

This is the first newsletter put out by the Friends of the Kewaunee Pierhead Lighthouse.

We want to give you information about the Kewaunee Pierhead Lighthouse, because you have supported this historical treasure, which helps to keep alive the maritime history of Kewaunee. This first newsletter will go out to as many people as we have contact information for. Future issues will be sent to Friends' members only, and back issues will be available on the Friends' website. So, if you want all the latest updates, useful information and history nuggets, become a member today! (See above for membership information).

Volunteer Opportunities

We welcome volunteers to help at one of the Lighthouse open days for a few hours, or to assist with other projects, such as fund-raising, publicity, cleaning, etc. If many people can give a little time, then everyone benefits. It is a great way to learn about the history and workings of the Lighthouse, and to enjoy the excitement of visitors! As we move forward we will be looking for volunteers with special skills in construction, carpentry, etc. Contact Jayne Conrad, President of the Friends, at rumblebug2727@gmail.com if you want to volunteer!

Dates for 2022

We will publish dates for Lighthouse open days by the end of April next year, so they will be in our next newsletter, and also on the Lighthouse website.

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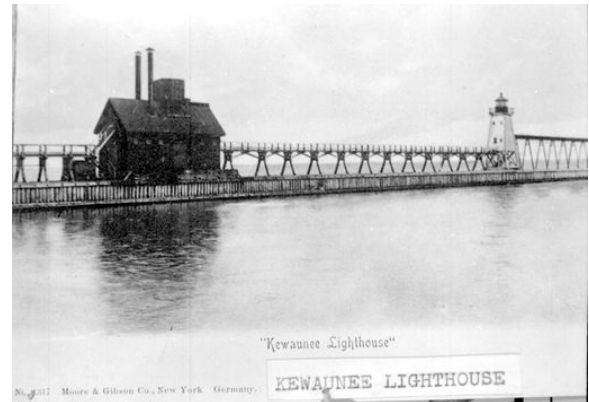


View from inside the lighthouse on one of our open days.

History Corner



This photo from 1923, shows the fog signal building with the adjacent tower. After a car ferry struck the end of the pier in 1930, the light tower was incorporated into the building, giving the appearance we have today. The elevated walkway allowed keepers to get to the lighthouse without walking along the often wavewashed pier. Until 1965, the pier was only as wide as the lighthouse, requiring the keepers to use another small walkway on the South face of the lighthouse to access the outer portion of the pier.



The postcard shows the old lighthouse (built in 1889) on the North pier, around the year 1900. The fog signal building was equipped with a 10" diameter steam whistle (mounted in the box on top of the building)

The lighthouse at this time served as the rear range lighthouse, with a smaller lens lamp ran out to a post at the end of the pier functioning as the front range light.