



# Toledo Harbor Lighthouse Preservation Society Winter 2020 -2021 Newsletter

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Toledo Harbor Lighthouse Society 1750 Park Rd. #2, Oregon, Ohio 43616

## TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE MEETINGS 2020-2021

Dec. 17 – 7 pm Zoom  
Christmas Meeting

Jan. 28 7 pm Zoom  
Annual meeting

Feb. 27 7 pm Zoom  
Planning for Fest 2021

March 26 7 pm Zoom  
Planning for Fest 2021  
2021 Restoration Info

**Toledo Lighthouse  
Window or Stair Riser  
memorial**  
Call Dan at  
734-572-5813 for info.

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## TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTMAS 2020

Join us on Thursday evening, December 17 for a virtual Toledo Lighthouse Christmas celebration. There will be speakers from the Great Lakes Lighthouse Keepers Association on their new web site with lighthouse information, and Buckeye Construction, the restoration contractors doing this phase of the lighthouse restoration.

Help the restoration by purchasing a memorial window or stair riser. Call Dan Hall for more details at 734-572-5813.

Join in the monthly virtual meetings to see the restoration progress. If you know of funding sources to continue the restoration please contact Sandy at 419-367-1691.

## 50-50 RAFFLE – TICKETS ENCLOSED DRAWING DECEMBER 17

Tickets are enclosed, and they are \$5 each or 6 for \$25. The summer winning amount was \$1482.50. Odds of winning are much greater than the lottery etc. Checks should be made to the Toledo Lighthouse Society and sent to Toledo Lighthouse Society 1750 Park Rd.#2, Oregon, Ohio 43616. Thanks for any tickets you may purchase and/or to help the lighthouse.

## TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE RESTORATION UPDATE

The first phase of the restoration project is going well. The first-floor brick, door, window and shutter work is complete. The second floor was delayed because of a shutter order delay due to COVID. All materials will be available for installation in the spring. Cooperation between all parties has been excellent. Lucas County, the Ohio Department of Transportation, Poggemeyer, Duket Architects, Buckeye Construction, and the Toledo Lighthouse Society conduct biweekly calls along with biweekly visits with some of the parties. Meinke Marina folks are transporting workers and goods to and from the lighthouse, weather cooperated most of the time. Genoa Bank has provided a loan for the match for \$86,846, Cleveland Cliffs provided \$20,000 and the grant for \$427,387 for a total base contract of \$534,233. Additional match and grant funds are available for changes. Interest only payments are being made until the project is complete.

## TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE 3rd FLOOR OPPORTUNITY

There is a 'window of opportunity' to get the third floor windows, brick and shutter work completed in the spring of 2021. The project only has funds for the first and second floors. The equipment etc. is at the lighthouse. Looking for funding to complete the third floor and basement windows after this project is complete. It would save from remobilizing and complete the window work in the main building. The cost is about \$250,000. Seeking grants and commitments. Suggestions?

## TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE REPLICAS IN LOBBY AT HISTORIC TOLDO YACHT CLUB

Remember the replica of the Toledo Lighthouse at the gift shop in the lodge at Maumee Bay State Park? The gift shop donated the large replica to the Toledo Lighthouse Society. The Toledo Yacht Club, one of the oldest yacht clubs in the Great Lakes which decades ago had presidents as members, is now displaying this great piece at the yacht club. And you may also recall that the Toledo Lighthouse 3.5 order Fresnel Lens that was in the lobby of the lodge, is now located in the Maumee Bay State Park nature's center. Unfortunately, because of COVID, the nature center has been closed. And also, FYI, near the marina at Maumee Bay is a viewer that you can see the lighthouse up close!

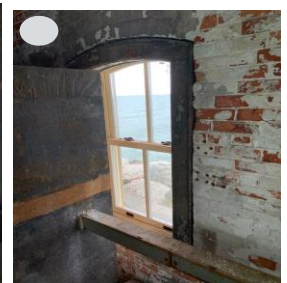
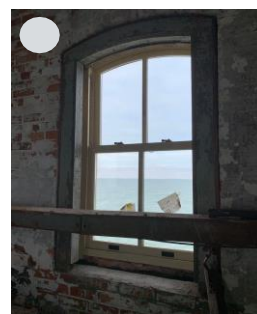
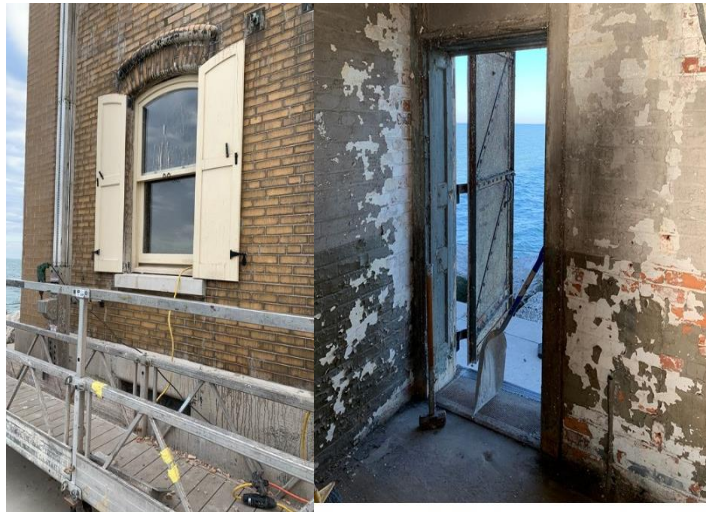
Believe  
in the magic of  
Christmas

**TOLEDO LIGHTHOUSE TRANSFORMATION**

***In 1989 the Toledo Lighthouse was saved and secured by the US Coast Guard with an investment of over \$1 million. Boulders were placed on three sides and cement blocks were placed in the first-floor windows with plexiglass on the upper windows. The windows are in on the first floor. Prior to 1989, in the early 1970's, a crude radio equipment room was put in the annex blocking the back door. For the first time since 1989, there is daylight in the lighthouse (when the shutters are open). The tacky radio room made of plywood is gone, and the back door is functional again.***

***Seeing Lake Erie from all sides – the Toledo skyline, the Michigan shores, the Oregon shores, and West Sister is awesome. The iconic Toledo Lighthouse is coming back in all its grandeur. Completing the restoration so that four people can stay at the lighthouse and welcome visitors all season will attract visitors from all over the world. The unique steel roof made like the upside down hull of a ship is an architectural wonder. Thanks to all who are part of the Toledo Lighthouse family.***

***Here is a glimpse of 2020:***

**IN MEMORY CAPITAL CAMPAIGN – A STAIR RISER OR REMAINING WINDOW**

See the enclosed Capital Campaign details for names in the lighthouse on stair risers and basement, annex and tower windows. Range of costs \$350 to \$1,000. Please email or call Dan at 734-572-5813, email [dhalloh@comcast.net](mailto:dhalloh@comcast.net).

**SAVE DATE FESTIVAL 2021 July 9 & 10**

The 2021 Festival will be held July 9 & 10 at Maumee Bay State Park. We look forward to sharing the restoration. We also look forward to the artists and crafters, food, music and more in 2021.

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Toledo Lighthouse Society is an all volunteer organization to promote and restore the lighthouse.