

**OUTER BANKS LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY  
(OBLHS) BOARD**

**Twenty-first Annual Meeting**

**Saturday, May 21, 2016**

**Dare County Public Library  
Manteo, North Carolina**

**Board members who were present:**

Diana Chappell, Robert (Bob) DaVia, John Havel, Gayle Keresey, Richard Meissner, Judy Moon, Jim O'Donnell, Mabry O'Donnell, Bett Padgett, Bill Padgett, Bruce Roberts, Cheryl Shelton-Roberts, and Kelly Waller

**Board member who was absent:**

Nicole DaVia

**No ex-officio or honorary Board members attended.**

**Other Outer Banks Lighthouse Society members who were present:**

Cyndy Holda and Marjorie Spruill

Our large group of lighthouse enthusiasts proved even more eager than usual to talk about the events of the year. Perhaps the delicious meal and wonderful stories that were shared by all the night before created an excited "can do" atmosphere. Cards to be sent to Kath Kelly and Kathy Paisley were signed by all. President Diana Chappell called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. (one minute earlier than in 2015).

Roll was taken by each person telling something about him/herself. A list of Board members with their home addresses, e-mail addresses, and phone numbers circulated among those present. (A copy of this list will be attached to the minutes.) The secretaries send (via e-mail) updated versions of this document each time there is a change. Bob DaVia moved and Kelly Waller seconded to approve as presented the minutes of the 2015 meeting; this passed by a unanimous decision.

John Havel received an efficiency star in accordance with the 1912 Lighthouse Bureau system. President Chappell explained that the Blue or Commissioner's star is given after three years of service. Mabry O'Donnell asked the nature of the award for 25 years of service. The answer will be forthcoming at next year's meeting.

The clear and concise **officer's reports** were presented with fervor using written and oral communication formats.

- Membership report from Judy Moon

- A. Active Members:

- 2009---470
    - 2010---354
    - 2011---449
    - 2012---429
    - 2013---370
    - 2014---389
    - 2015---333
    - 2016---212

- B. Lifetime Members: 12\*

- Diana Chappell
    - David Fraley
    - John Howard, Jr.
    - Gayle Keresey
    - Lauren Liebrecht
    - Paula Liebrecht
    - Richard Meissner
    - Jim O'Donnell
    - Mabry O'Donnell
    - Judy Rosson
    - Kendra Sykes
    - Rebecca Taylor

\*NOTE: Lifetime member W.R. "Bill" Dowe asked to be removed from the membership. Jack Goodwin and Wendy Brewer are deceased.

1. We will mention all of our lifetime members in *The Lighthouse News*.
2. Lifetime memberships are available for only \$500.00 each.  
There are no background checks or additional paperwork required.

- C. At the first of the month, the membership chair sends a postcard to any member whose membership is due that month as well as a membership reminder to anyone whose membership expired the previous month.

- D. New for 2016-2017 will be "We want you back" reminder cards.

- E. Although last year we voted to have all memberships active from July 1 to July 1, our membership chair found that instead of reducing her workload, it would increase the magnitude of her task. We will, therefore, maintain the memberships based on the anniversary date when a person joined.

- Treasurer's report from Bob DaVia
  - A. Our balance as of April 30, 2015
 

General Fund	\$32,709.42
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  - B. Our balance as of April 30, 2016
 

General Fund	\$32,204.10
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  - C. YOY Variance \$(505.32)

(A complete OBLHS Treasurer's report including Keepers Weekend 2015 statistics is available upon request.)
- Gayle Keresey, Education Committee Chair
  - A. Cheryl Shelton-Roberts sent the Girl Scouts a big box of information some time ago, but she has heard nothing from the recipients.
  - B. The committee has two PowerPoint presentations with notes from Bett Padgett, The Society has a LCD projector that can be borrowed for presentations (see Bob DaVia), and Mabry O'Donnell distributed suggestions for the proper use of PowerPoint in presentations.
  - C. We now have scavenger hunts for Currituck, Bodie, Cape Hatteras, Ocracoke, Cape Lookout, Oak Island, and Bald Head Island. Special thanks were extended to Diana Chappell for her work on this project.
  - D. We would like to create a patch similar to that developed by The Chesapeake Chapter USLHS. Gayle Keresey will report to our group in May 2017 after contacting the Education Coordinator for the Chesapeake Chapter of USLHS.
- Fundraising report by everyone
  - A. Raffle for fall event
    1. Audrey Connor will donate a week at her cottage in the off season.
    2. Marjorie and Dallas Spruill will donate a 2 night stay at their North Myrtle Beach condo in the off season.
    3. Lifetime membership in The Society
  - B. Live auction at fall event
    1. Doward Jones will donate a metal framed photo by Carey Plemmons.
    2. "Elvis" canvas print by Bruce Roberts should be a huge hit!
    3. A Bruce Roberts photo is always popular.
    4. Ask Laddie Crisp, Jr. about prints for auction.
    5. Bill and Bett Padgett will donate a large German beer stein.
    6. Ticket for concert in Norway
    7. Diana Chappell will make a big key ring with each lighthouse on a key.

- C. Silent auction at fall event
  1. Friends and family basket possibly including:
    - a. Picture from Bruce and Cheryl Roberts
    - b. CD from Bett Padgett
    - c. License plate featuring the lighthouses of North Carolina from Bob DaVia
    - d. N.C. Fabric from Diana Chappell
    - e. Market bag with charm from Judy Moon
    - f. Mouse pads from John Havel
  2. Signed book basket with a Doug Stover book and a Bruce and Cheryl Roberts' book
  3. New Tervis cup with all NC Lighthouses on it filled with little items
  
- D. 50/50 Drawing: The winner may take the money from the drawing or a lifetime membership in The Society.
  
- E. Bob DaVia suggested that we could offer Christmas ornaments similar to those sold by USLHS. These would change yearly.
  
- F. John Havel will contact the artists from the Bodie Island Coloring Book and get permission to reproduce the pictures and sell the book. Cheryl Shelton-Roberts will help with the reproduction once John receives the permission.
  
- G. Diana Chappell has the Harbor Lights that people have donated to The Society. Diana will take an inventory of our stock and then Bill Padgett and Gayle Keresey will put a picture and price with each light for sale. We will offer these for sale to our members first, Facebook members next, and discuss other methods of selling the remainder.
  
- Grant Committee Activity reported by Mabry O'Donnell, Chair
  - A. On February 18, 2016, The Grants Committee Chair sent an e-mail to The Board members asking them to contact the recognized youth groups in their area that study lighthouses. The chair expressed her willingness to then write or call all of the advisors (teachers, principals, scout officials, 4- H and others) who fit the new wording of our generous grant offer.
  
  - B. Diana Chappell moved and Bill Padgett seconded a motion to provide the Grant Committee up to \$4,000 for grants each year with no grant being larger than \$1,000. Copies of the new grant information forms will be attached to these minutes.
  
  - C. For 2016 two grants were awarded.
    1. Student Travel grant: Ms. Hadley W. Fulcher, the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade

teacher at Atlantic Elementary School asked for \$48.00 to take 16 students to Ocracoke Lighthouse.

2. The Old Baldy Foundation's Lighthouse Learners Program received a \$1,000 grant to support the Foundation's Lighthouse Learners program by providing matching funds to stimulate other groups to "Sponsor a Student."

D. Cyndy Holda suggested that we could work with Alton Balance at the North Carolina Center for Teachers. Perhaps Cyndy could share our grant possibilities with Mr. Balance.

- The Keepers' Store report from Kelly Waller indicates continued interest from buyers. The report covers July 1, 2015 through April 30, 2016.

A.	Keepers' Weekend Sales:	\$1,899.00
	Other Store Sales/Flyers:	\$ 552.33
	Total Store Sales:	\$2,427.10
	Total Credit Sales:	\$ 888.00
	Fees for Square Sales:	\$ 24.43
	Total Inventory on Hand:	\$6,150.00

B. Board members may purchase items at a reduced price.

C. We could offer free shipping for bulk orders from groups.

- Public Outreach--Bett Padgett, Chair

A. Bett Padgett tries to let clubs and organizations know what Outer Banks Lighthouse Society programs are available to them. She will be glad to teach people how to use our PowerPoint slides, or she will do the programs for the organizations.

B. We will put the information about the presentations, equipment, and PP slides in the newsletter.

C. Bett will add an audio portion to our pictures; we'll mention it on Facebook, and guide people to a YouTube presentation by Bett.

D. Between May 2015 and May 2016 we shipped approximately 22,080 brochures to the North Carolina Welcome Centers. The 3,000 we have on hand should be enough for this year. Visitor Centers must request brochures. Once we reach the last two boxes, we will immediately print more brochures. Cyndy Holda volunteered to help deliver the brochures. The year to year comparative rate of distribution is:

22,080 in 2015  
12,825 in 2014  
22,000 in 2013

18,900 in 2012  
 17,400 in 2011  
 13,050 in 2010

E. The Society was mentioned in newspaper articles and other published materials. Several of our members have represented us at public meetings, school functions, local venues, and television.

- Bob DaVia, our ever diligent Media Manager who sends messages, pictures, and updates for us through social media, reported that since 2011 when he established our new Facebook account [www.facebook.com/#!/groups/oblhs/](http://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/oblhs/) and our Twitter account @OBLHS, our presence has been acknowledged.

<i>Social Media</i>	<i>2016<sup>5</sup></i>	<i>2015<sup>4</sup></i>	<i>2014<sup>3</sup></i>	<i>2013<sup>2</sup></i>	<i>2012<sup>1</sup></i>
FACEBOOK	1,500	761	325	201	141
TWITTER	46	44	41	17	32

<sup>1</sup> As of May 16, 2012

<sup>2</sup> As of May 16, 2013

<sup>3</sup> As of May 16, 2014

<sup>4</sup> As of May 15, 2015

<sup>5</sup> As of May 2, 2016

- *OBLHS Newsletter* report from our every-faithful editor, Cheryl Shelton-Roberts
  - A. We printed 500 copies of the Spring/Summer newsletter (20 pages); these were mailed in July 2015.
  - B. 250 copies of the annual Raffle/Fundraiser/Keepers' Weekend communication were mailed in September.
  - C. 220 copies of a Holiday letter with a gift (the memento from the Cape Hatteras Keepers' Amphitheatre Dedication) and Keepers' Store Flyer were mailed to the membership in late November.
  - D. One newsletter (Volume 22) is planned for 2016; one spring update has already been printed, mailed, and posted on the Society's website. The newsletter is already in progress and part of it will be devoted to the several anniversaries being celebrated this year:
    1. NPS 200<sup>th</sup>
    2. Cape Lookout National Seashore's 50<sup>th</sup>
    3. NC State Parks 100<sup>th</sup>
  - E. In the future we will have greater consistency; in March we will mail a trifold-type brochure listing each lighthouse and brief information on

what is offered for visitors at each site. This will be in lieu of several *Update* mailings. In August, a full edition of the newsletter will be mailed to members. This will be our only full edition during the year.

- F. Many of our members, fortunately, elect to receive electronic versions of their newsletters.
- G. At the Board Meeting in 2015 Richard Meissner moved and Bob DaVia seconded the motion for Cheryl Shelton-Roberts to receive a \$1,000.00 instead of \$1,500.00 stipend plus submitted expenses for editing annually one large issue instead of two or three issues. The motion passed with a unanimous vote in favor. The Board will be indebted forever to Shelton-Roberts for the magnificent newsletter. This policy continues until amended.
- H. We spent \$148.00 on mailing and \$248.00 on postal service.
- I. John Havel offered to recreate our current “pasted up” newsletter into an entirely digital InDesign-based template that would be submitted digitally to a printer.
- J. We may consider a retrospective in *The Newsletter*.

### **Unfinished and New Business**

- Richard Meissner, Keeper of the Archives, is preparing one complete set of OBLHS historical documents for the Outer Banks History Center and one set to remain with the current president of The Society that will be transferred to the succeeding presidents for their reference. We thank Richard for this time-consuming and important historical work. Everyone is encouraged to search for and send to Richard Meissner all appropriate documents and pictures.
- John Havel reported that the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse restoration project has been tabled by bureaucratic inactivity.
- John Havel affirmed that Hatteras Island Ocean Center is about the same with few visitors and many brochures.
- John Havel shared his interest in cleaning the Unaka B. Jennette grave site. Nothing will be done, however, unless/until the family expresses interest in our assistance.
- The Secretaries will continue sending copies of our “To Do List” two times during the year between meetings.

- Mabry O'Donnell, Temporary Chair of the By-Laws Committee, presented two changes, which The Board passed unanimously.  
*Be it moved that The Founders of The Outer Banks Lighthouse Society, Bruce Roberts and Cheryl Shelton-Roberts are members of The Board in perpetuity with all of the rights and privileges thereto assigned.*

Article IV of The By Laws---Board of Directors shall read:

B. NUMBER AND TENURE: The number of directors of the Corporation shall be no fewer than eight and no greater than sixteen including our Founders. Each Director (except for The Founders who shall hold Board membership in perpetuity) shall hold office for a three-year term. In the event of a tie vote on any issue, a tie shall signal "No".

A copy of the revised By Laws will be included with these minutes.

- The Nominating Committee Chair, Mabry O'Donnell presented two names for membership on The Board:  
Mabry O'Donnell moved, and Gayle Keresey and Jim O'Donnell seconded that Cyndy Holda and Marjorie Spruill be elected as Board members. Both were elected unanimously.

A. The following people who were unanimously elected by The Board to serve The Society

▪ President	Richard Meissner (2 year term)
▪ Vice President	Diana Chappell (2 year term)
▪ Secretary(ies)	Jim and Mabry O'Donnell (1 year term)
▪ Treasurer	Bob DaVia (1 year term)
▪ Education Chair	Gayle Keresey (1 year term)
▪ Fundraising Chair	
▪ Grants Chair	Mabry O'Donnell (1 year term)
▪ Graphic Artist	John Havel (1 year term)
▪ Media Manager	Bob DaVia (1 year term)
▪ Membership Chair	Judy Moon (1 year term)
▪ Newsletter Editor	Cheryl Shelton-Roberts (1 year term)
▪ Nominating Chair	Mabry O'Donnell (1 year term)
▪ Public Outreach Chair	Bett Padgett (1 year term)
▪ Special Events Chairs	Diana Chappell and Richard Meissner (1 year term)
▪ Store Keeper	Kelly Waller (1 year term)
▪ Website Chair	John Havel (1 year term)

- Diana Chappell presented the results of the 2015 Keepers' Weekend Survey with appreciation for those who completed the survey and with understanding of those who dislike completing surveys.
  - A. How can we make The Society better?
    1. Involve the general membership more—projects, advocacy, etc.



2. Get younger people involved—not sure how
3. Keep up the good work
4. Make the society more visible on the OBX. Maybe put something in the newsy/coupon books available in season.
5. Maybe draw in members through more extensive publication of projects and accomplishments.

B. How can we improve our Keepers' Weekends?

1. More announcements about what we are doing, especially when things change.
2. More speakers, storytellers, re-enactors
3. Less walking, maybe riding tours
4. They are fun and informative. Don't dumb them down.
5. Have an exchange weekend with another LH society. We visit their area, and they visit ours.
6. Return to Currituck
7. Focus on Nags Head
8. Great activities, planning, and educational events.
9. No more surveys
10. Love the blending of the area's history with the lighthouses' specific history
11. Perhaps a microphone at the podium
12. Printed program that includes the award winners with their names and what they did.

C. Ideas for Cape Lookout Keepers' Weekend

1. Night climb
2. History place in Morehead City
3. Beaufort's Maritime Museum
4. Fort Macon
5. Someone to talk about duck decoys
6. Rachel Carson Reserve
7. Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium
8. Shelling around Cape Lookout
9. Dinner/boat cruise
10. Informal story telling
11. Duke Marine Lab
12. Have Dallas and Richard as auctioneers
13. Cape Lookout sailboat tour
14. Mule Train to take you to the Lookout Point
15. Ride through the village on the Mule Train
16. Visit Historic Beaufort
17. Tie Blackbeard's local history into the program
18. Have the Spruill Keeper Family greet us
19. Tie the history of the LH and local area together

#### D. Ideas for new items in the Keepers' store

1. More books
  2. Mouse pads
  3. Bumper stickers
  4. More and different note cards
  5. Kitchen towels with logo
  6. Short sleeve denim collared shirts
  7. Long sleeve t-shirts
  8. Pullover sweatshirts
  9. Very impressed with what we have
  10. Have items on the website
- Bett Padgett introduced the need for a marker at the original location of the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse. Dave Hallock has suggested a 3 sided sign to overcome visibility problems regarding information. Each panel will be 10 feet down in the ground and 8-10 feet tall. The Park Service at Harper's Ferry must approve these. Gayle Keresey moved that we sponsor one of these wayside panels, the cost of which may be \$5,000. The motion carried unanimously. We'll look forward to an update at next year's meeting.
  - Several members expressed concern about Chicamacomico, which we have generously supported. Richard Meissner will communicate with the people at Chicamacomico, and in May of 2017 we will discuss this group at our meeting.
  - We decided not to be in active association with United States Lighthouse Society.
  - An interesting discussion of the Outer Banks National Scenic Byway ensued. This Byway is one of only 150 nationally designated byways; it covers over 138 driving miles and 2 ferries along barrier islands, Pamlico Sound, two inlets and through coastal villages. In April 2016 Doug Stover and Arcadia press published *Outer Banks Scenic Byway*.
  - Cheryl Shelton-Roberts reported that reproducing the rear Ft. Macon range light (Bogue Banks), 55 feet tall and equipped with a 4<sup>th</sup> order Fresnel lens, would cost an estimated \$75,000. Someone local would need to be the lead on a project of this magnitude. The Board listened with interest, but took no action.
  - Once again we mentioned promotion of OBLHS and perks for members, such as 10% off a restaurant entrée with OBLHS membership card. No formal vote was taken.
  - Bett Padgett will coordinate the binding of the second ten years of *Lighthouse News*. Interesting articles that can be read over and over along with

photographs and flashbacks make this attractive volume a welcome addition in all lighthouse enthusiasts' homes. These will be offered to Board members and to all OBLHS members for \$60 plus shipping. After December 31, the books will be advertised on Facebook to the general public.

- Richard Meissner shared the splendid details for our fall event, October 7-8, 2016, that include touring Beaufort, eating, Cape Lookout lighthouse, eating, learning about the Shackleford Horses, eating, and enjoying friendships.
- Oak Island has some structural cracks, so we have heard. Richard Meissner will check on the issues, and discover if the exterior rehabilitation of the structure has been completed. Cape Lookout also has some problems, and anyone with an extra \$8,000,000.00 should consider donating it to Cape Lookout.
- A picture circulated showing Mark Neyman standing in front of the lovely Victorian home in Marietta, Ohio, that he and his spouse, Suzyn Mills share. The front door is decorated with the beautiful Outer Banks Lighthouse Society emblem. Ah, a welcoming sign, indeed!
- Website:
  - A. History**
    1. By 2015 the minutes indicate the frustration of The Board members over our outdated website. Most of our members grew up with a pencil, not a mouse; therefore, much of the burden making updates has fallen on already over-taxed Board members including Bett, Cheryl, and Diana. Bruce Roberts proposed and Richard Meissner seconded the unanimously adopted motion for John Havel to spearhead the effort toward maintaining the web site.
    2. We will allow up to \$3,000.00 to hire a person to design and establish a 21<sup>st</sup> century website. John Havel agreed to recruit and vet the person for The Society.
    4. By July 1, 2015, all of The Board members were to give Bett Padgett and/or Cheryl Shelton-Roberts pertinent information for the website.
    5. John Havel will keep the information updated and train other members of The Board to assist.
  - B. Present**
    1. Jim Manchester will charge \$3,000 plus a monthly fee to develop and maintain our website. John Havel, therefore, has started the project himself.
    2. We are excited about the progress of the website and appreciate all of John's work. By September 1, 2016, the website will be finished. Gayle Keresey moved and Bob DaVia seconded a motion stating that if we have the site up by September 1, 2016, we will pay the full year site fee, and going forward, we will share the yearly fee with John and pay the monthly fee. All agreed.

3. John described and we discussed the exciting plans for the pages on the site including the introduction, Kids' Corner, accomplishments, members' page, payment, maintaining a consistent color palate for the entire web site, pictures of all NC lighthouses, and stressing simplicity.
    - a. Kelly would be in charge of the store on the new website.
    - b. Gayle volunteered to be John's assistant with the website endeavor.
- Society Awards: *Note*--Awards will be given only when appropriate. The awards are expensive, but they are an excellent means for showing appreciation to those who have upheld the values of The Society. Our six newest Fresnel Prism Award recipients are listed below with 2016 beside their names.

**President's Awards:**

Betty Parrish	1997
Bill Parrish	1998
Betty Shelton	1998
John Gaskill	1998
Tom Yocum	1998
Connie Jones, Bodie Island	1999
Tim Harrison	2000
Bett Padgett	2000
LERC (maker of Coastal Cubs)	2000
Sandy Clunies	2000
Rick Polad	2001
Henry and Chris Gonzales	2001
Roy's Folks (Roy Ackland & David Weatherly)	2001
John Howard	2001
Bank of America	2001
Lynn Jennette	2001
Charlie Votaw	2002
Shirley Votaw	2002
Bruce Roberts	2002
Jack McCombs	2002
Sandy Semans	2003
Richard Meissner	2003
Ralph Burroughs	2003
Judy Castleberry	2004
Nancy D' Andrade	2004
Nick Johnston	2004
Brent Westwood	2004
Diana Chappell	2005
Lana Beth Deese	2005
Virginia Chadwick Howell	2005
Ross Tracy	2005

Larry Belli (former Superintendent of the Cape Hatteras National Seashore)	2006
The Dare County Tourist Board	2006
Julia Hollenbeck	2006
Cheryl Shelton-Roberts	2006
Bill Schneider	2006
Robert (Bob) DaVia	2007
Ed and Judy Rosson	2007
Doward Jones	2007
James Charlet and Linda Molloy	2007
Doug Stover	2007
Rick and Teresa Ward	2007
Ann Mills	2008
Washington County Waterways Commission	2008
Courtney Whisler	2008
Nicole DaVia	2009
Judy Moon	2009
Gary and Judy Studer	2009
Janice Thomas	2009
Kelly Waller	2009
Marjorie and Dallas Spruill	2010
Judy Basnett	2011
Laddie Crisp, Jr.	2011
Rebecca Taylor	2012
Archer Daniels Midland	2013
Cyndy Holda	2013
Bob and Kathy Paisley	2014
Clayton Elementary School Fourth Grade Team	2014
Barbara Basnight Rawl	2014
Gayle Keresey	2016

**Founders' Award:**

Senator Marc Basnight	1997
Bill Younger	1998
Bill and Betty Parrish	1999
Governor James Hunt	2000
Tim Harrison	2001
Outer Banks Conservationists, Inc.	2002
Jim and Mabry O'Donnell	2003
Kim Younger Andrews	2004
Bruce and Cheryl Shelton-Roberts	2005
Ralph Burroughs	2006
Bett Padgett	2007
Rick Hardesty	2008
Diana Chappell	2009

Rick and Theresa Ward	2010
Doug Stover	2013
John Havel	2014
Mabry M. O'Donnell	2015
Richard Meissner	2016

**Cape Hatteras Award:**

Russell Berry	1997
Dr. Ellis Cowling	1998
National Park Service Cape Hatteras Seashore, Outer Banks Group	1999
Joe Jakubik of International Chimney	2000
Charlie and Shirley Votaw	2001
Glenn Eure	2002
Bett Padgett	2003
Kevin Duffus	2004
Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum	2005
Lynn and Windsor Jacques	2006
None	2007
None	2008
Jinx Caylor	2010
Audrey Conner	2010
John Havel	2012
Congressman Walter B. Jones, Jr.	2014
Matt Finlayson	2015
Hatteras Island Genealogical & Preservation Society	2016

**Bodie Island Award:**

Cullen Chambers	1997
John McPherson	1998
RAI Associates	1999
Lloyd Childers	2000
Patty Lockamy	2001
John Gaskill	2002
Doris and Dave Reed	2003
Paula and Lauren Liebrecht	2004
Nick Johnston	2005
Representative David Price	2006
Sandy Semans	2007
Lighthouse Lampists	2010
Bill Padgett	2011
Lighthouse Lampshop	2013
United Builders LLC	2013
Diana Chappell	2014

Sandy Clunies	2014 (Received the honor although she declined the physical award.)
Bruce Roberts	2014
Cheryl-Shelton Roberts	2014
Bob and Diana Long	2015
Pat Taylor	2016

**Currituck Award:**

Lloyd Childers	2002
Outer Banks Conservationists	2003
John Wilson	2004
Melody Leckie	2005
Meghan Agresto and Luis Garcia	2006
Pat Riley	2007
Connie Wirtz	2008
Ed Cox	2009
William Parker	2009
Bob Rahnes	2011
Tracy Norris	2012

**Cape Lookout Award:**

Bob Vogel	2004
Richard Meissner	2005
Margaret Gilliken	2006
None	2007
None	2008
Sandy Clunies	2009 (Received the honor although she declined the physical award.)
Kay Hagan	2011
Dallas and Marjorie Spruill	2015
Erica Spruill	2015
Sam Spruill	2015

**Old Baldy Award:**

Jane Kerr Oakley	2004
Ann Mills	2005
None	2006
Marilyn Ridgeway	2007
Kim Gottshall	2008
Chris Webb	2009

**Oak Island Award:**

Town of Caswell Beach	2005
Friends of Oak Island Lighthouse	2006
None	2007
None	2008

Tom Kitchings	2011
Bob Ahlers	2012
E. Gifford Stack	2014

**Ocracoke Award:**

Paula and Lauren Liebrecht	2006
Jane Morgan	2006

**Roanoke River Lighthouse Award:**

Edenton Historical Commission	2011
Brenda Skiles (1866 Plymouth)	2015
Madison Phillips (1886 Edenton)	2015
Doward Jones (1866 Plymouth)	2016
Bob Germaine (1886 Edenton)	2016

- Sites for future fall weekends
 

2016	Cape Lookout
2017	Old Baldy, Oak Island, and Wilmington
2018	Currituck Beach
2019	To Be Determined
2020	Hatteras Lighthouse (150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary)
- Ours is a resolute volunteer group, dedicated to aid in the preservation of the North Carolina lighthouses and maritime history. No matter how committed a group may be, if it has no leadership, it will languish. The dynamic leadership of Diana Chappell has provided the firm foundation for others to join, because they realize that the mission is being reached. Our president guides, leads by example, and demonstrates her care for the individuals as well as the organization. We are so fortunate to have her donate so much time, effort, strength, and support to The Outer Banks Lighthouse Society. Thank you, Diana.
- Our next Board meeting will be on May 13, 2017, 9:30 a.m., at the Dare County Public Library in Manteo, North Carolina. The conviviality of the day will be enhanced as we celebrate Bill Padgett's birthday!
- The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. (9 minutes earlier than in 2015).

Respectfully submitted,

*James H. O'Donnell, Ph.D.*

*Mabry M. O'Donnell, Ph.D.*



