

# Round Island Lighthouse Preservation Society 2017 Annual Report

Chairman: Matthew McMullen

## **Opening**

2017 has once again marked another productive year for The Round Island Lighthouse Preservation Society. It is amazing to see the growth of this organization that has taken place over the last 8 years since our incorporation in 2009. With this growth there have been challenges, surprises, and unexpected twists and turns. However our dedication to our purpose has not wavered. As we move into the future one thing is very clear. This organization will continue to work towards the preservation and raising public awareness for the Round Island Lighthouse.

## **Current Board of Directors**

Currently occupying board seats are five hard working & extraordinary people:

Matthew McMullen  
Brad Mrozinski  
Nathan Neuenfeldt  
Patricia Eckenstahler  
David Mack

The following is a current register of chairs held.

Matthew McMullen Board Chairman  
Brad Mrozinski Vice Chairman  
Patricia Eckenstahler Society Secretary  
Scott Sugar Society Treasurer

## **Summary of 2017**

2017 was a year of preparation for our organization. The society took measurements and prepared for the anticipated installation of the door for the 2018 season. In June the society brought a new generator to the island to replace the aging military surplus generator. The new generator will vastly reduce fuel usage and provide the same electrical supply as the previous unit. In June the society also took down the flag pole and replaced the pulley at the top, per the request of the forest service. In July the society upgraded all the electrical panels in the lighthouse to support the new generator system. The society also double checked measurements and made sure all planning was facilitated for the installation of the door in 2018

### **Looking toward 2018**

As we move into 2018, I expect nothing but great things once again. The installation of the door on the east side of the lighthouse will show that this society is capable of making changes that will protect this historic structure. I also hope that we can begin to toward other future projects at the lighthouse and meet them with as much determination and dedication as we have displayed with the door replacement.

As I have said in years passed, it is amazing what a dedicated group of people can do when they come together for a common cause in which they are passionate. This Society is and will continue to be a welcoming friendship for those that want to raise awareness, teach the history, and promote the preservation of the Round Island Lighthouse for future generations. This year let us strive to continue to meet our goals and meet the expectations of the new ones set before us.