

PORTSMOUTH LIGHTSHIP MUSEUM"Lighthouse and Lightship Keepers' Reunion"

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Director: Michael Goodwin

Award: \$1,050

Matching: \$1,875

Location: Portsmouth
Date: June 9-10, 1978
Humanists: 2 - Maritime History, Paleontology
Others: Museum Administration, Lightship Keepers, Coast Guard
Attending: 84
Audience: Lightship Keepers, Coast Guard Officials, General Public

A project recording reminiscences of retired lightship keepers through oral history interviews and a conference held in conjunction with the annual reunion of those who served in the now defunct Lighthouse Service. The conference featured historians who spoke on the significance of the Lightship in Maritime history. Follow-up oral history interviews are currently underway, and the Coast Guard has offered to publish the gathered material for distribution to other museums and interested organizations throughout the state.