

The Sandy Hook
Foundation



Dear Friends of Sandy Hook,

The long awaited, fully restored and gleaming, Sandy Hook Lighthouse Tower is open, ready for your visit! To know that the oldest lighthouse in America is standing in our own backyard is astounding—its views from the top are unparalleled and the climb is not too difficult as you stop to peer through numerous landing windows. The ranger-led tower visits are available daily.

If you visit the lighthouse on a weekend, make sure to visit History House to enjoy an authentically furnished 1940's Officer's Row home. During the holiday season, it will be bedecked with period Christmas decorations. Please note the dates and times in "Holiday Happenings" in the adjacent column.

On the reverse side of this page, we are honored to list our very generous donors. It is through these contributions that SHF provides funding to improve facilities and programs throughout the park. Among projects accomplished this year were a new museum space located in the WWII jail with exhibit cases, window treatments, historic panels and photographs of Ft. Hancock; funding for 2 Student Conservation interns who provided water safety and family programs along the bayside; rocking chairs for the front porch at History House and the final installation of the sixth bike repair station along the 6 1/2 mile multi-use-path.

It is important for our friends to contribute this Annual Appeal so that we can continue to fund worthy projects within the park.

We wish you a delightful New Year and look forward to seeing you on the Hook!

Many thanks and Happy Holidays!
Betsy Barrett, President



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HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS



Visitor Center Hours:

Daily, 10AM – 4PM, November 1 – April 30

**Lighthouse Tours: Daily, 1PM to 3:30PM,
November 1 - April 30**

Tours are first-come, first-served. Visitors must be 48 inches tall to climb the tower. Sign up in the 1883 Keeper's Quarters for free lighthouse tours, and see exhibits on New Jersey lighthouses, a rotating art exhibit, and visit the gift shop. Grounds and video in adjacent barn are always open. Groups must make advance reservations. Call (732) 872-5970 for more information.

Eastern National Gift Shop

**Visitor Center/Keepers Quarters
Daily, 10AM – 4PM**

History House

**Fort Hancock's Officers Row, Building 1
Weekends, 1PM – 5PM**

An 1898 lieutenant's quarters on "Officers Row" overlooking Sandy Hook Bay is furnished to the WWII era, the busiest time in the fort's history.

Sandy Hook Migrants and Waterfowl

Monmouth County Audubon Society

Spermaceti Cove Parking Lot (between Lot D and Lot E)

Sunday, December 9 • 10AM – 12PM

Join us in search of migrant birds that move south to winter along our coast. We will look for waterfowl, hawks, and lingering land birds. Wear layers and comfortable walking shoes and bring binoculars. 1 mile

Christmas Holly Walk

Spermaceti Cove Parking Lot (between Lot D and Lot E)

Sunday, December 9 • 2PM – 3:30PM

Enjoy the winter scenery and learn about the "holly" of Christmas with a ranger-guided walk around Sandy Hook's 64-acre maritime Holly Forest. 1 mile

1943 Christmas at Fort Hancock

Saturday, December 15 • 12PM – 4:30PM

Join the members of the Army Ground Forces Association in WWII period uniforms as they bring the Christmas of 1943 back to life. Experience Christmas as officers, soldiers, and families of Fort Hancock would have experienced in an officer's house, authentically decorated for the season.

Celebrate Christmas at History House

Sunday, December 16 • 1PM – 5PM

Visit History House to view Christmas during World War II as the Officer's, their families, and soldiers at Fort Hancock experienced. Members of the Army Ground Forces Association will be in period uniforms to bring the Holiday to life. Enjoy the caroling of a vocal trio. Refreshments and goodies will be provided.

Santa Claus is Coming to History House!

Sunday, December 16 • 1PM – 3:30PM

Meet Santa and share your Christmas wish list with him. Enjoy the caroling of a musical vocal trio from 1PM to 4PM. Refreshments and goodies will be provided.



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