The mission of Sable Points Lighthouse Keepers Association is to preserve, promote and educate the public and make our lighthouses accessible to all.

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Established in 1987, SPLKA is a gathering of those passionate about the history, preservation, and celebration of its lighthouses. While many members participate in SPLKA's resident keeper program, the association also welcomes support through contributions of time and effort outside the keeper program, and through financial and in-kind donations. Members take pride in knowing they are preserving an invaluable facet of maritime history for future generations.

Please consider becoming a SPLKA Corporate Sponsor.

In addition to supporting a wonderful cause, all corporate sponsors receive prominent acknowledgement of their status in THE BEACON, SPLKA's newsletter, no less than once a year. Corporate sponsors are also acknowledged on SPLKA's web site during the term of the sponsorship. All memberships are from January 1st to December 31st each year and all members are invited to the annual dinner.

Annual contribution: $250

SPLKA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, and donations are deductible to the full extent permitted under law. Donate and become a member online or by filling out the attached form and mailing to:

SPLKA • P.O. Box 673 • Ludington, MI 49431
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BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

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be a lighthouse keeper

SPLKA offers the rare opportunity to tend a lighthouse on Lake Michigan!

Unlike other programs that charge a sizable sum for the opportunity to volunteer, the only costs to our keepers for their one to two week tours of duty are membership and application fees.

Volunteers are invited to join the resident keeper program based on a personal interview. Once accepted all keepers are educated on the history of the lighthouse at which they will serve. They are thoroughly trained for their duties, which include greeting and informing visitors, keeping up the lighthouse and grounds, and selling SPLKA merchandise. Yes, it’s hard work, but it’s also great fun!

Tours of duty at Big Sable Point run for two weeks, and the keepers live on site on the upper floor of the house. At Little Sable Point and Ludington North Breakwater Light, tours of duty are one week long. Keepers stay in a residence in Silver Lake State Park for Little Sable duty, and at one in Ludington State Park for Ludington North Breakwater light duty. Weekend Keepers are needed for the White River Light as well.

This is not the volunteer lighthouse keeper application for SPLKA. For more details or to start the keeper application process, please contact SPLKA’s Coordinator of Volunteers by email at: splkaoperations@gmail.com or by telephone at 231-845-7417.

individual membership information

associate member $30
A voting member, eligible to be a day keeper, but ineligible to be a resident keeper. Includes membership card and unlimited free admission to all four lighthouses for one year for an individual.

individual membership $60
Voting rights and eligible to be a resident keeper. Includes membership card and unlimited free admission to all four lighthouses for one year for an individual.

couple/family membership $100
Includes membership card, window decal, and unlimited free admission to all four lights for one year for a couple and/or family.

head keeper $175
Includes all the benefits of a couple/family membership, plus a 10% merchandise discount (excluding candy/beverages) at all SPLKA operated gift shops.

business/corporate sponsor $250
Includes all the benefits of a couple/family membership, plus a 12% merchandise discount (excluding candy/beverages) at all SPLKA operated gift shops.

lifetime individual membership $750
Includes all the benefits of an individual membership, plus a 20% merchandise discount (excluding candy/beverages) at all SPLKA operated gift shops.

lifetime couple membership $1,000
Includes all the benefits of a couple/family membership, plus a 20% merchandise discount (excluding candy/beverages) at all SPLKA operated gift shops.

member application

name(s)__________________________________________

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address_______________________________________

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city___________________________________________

state__________________________________________

zip___________________________________________

telephone (__)________________________

e-mail________________________________________

□ NEW  □ RENEWAL  □ DONATION

□ associate membership .......................... $30

□ individual membership .......................... $60

□ couple/family membership ............... $100

□ head keeper ........................................ $175

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□ lifetime individual membership ...... $750

□ lifetime couple membership .......... $1,000

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