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Name of Property: TURKEY POINT LIGHT STATION

Address of Property: 4395 TURKEY POINT ROAD, NORTH EAST, MD 21901

Reporting Period: CALENDAR YEAR 2007

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National Park Service Annual Report for Turkey Point Light Station

I. Improvements, Maintenance, and Development

A. Preservation Activities/Site Improvements:

1. Brush covering old farm building foundations partially cleared.
2. Trees along cliff edge cut back to prevent bank erosion. Grass around lighthouse and surrounding three acres mowed on a regular basis.
3. Installation of 35' flagpole next to the base of the original flagpole.
4. New wooden steps scrubbed with linseed oil.
5. Full size cut out of Fannie Mae Salter made and located at the entrance of the lighthouse when it is open to the public.
6. The Maryland Park Service has acquired two (2) grants for improvements to the parking lot and trail.
 - a.) National Recreation Trails Grant - \$13,500.00 to minimize soil compaction and erosion and also to increase visitor safety on the banks around the parking lot.
 - b.) Chesapeake Bay Gateways Grant - \$29,000.00 for work on trails but, the Turkey Point Trail will receive a new trail head kiosk which will include new signage on the history and the revitalization of the lighthouse.

B. Cyclical Maintenance Plan:

1. Has been carried out.

C. Modifications of Preservation/Maintenance Plan:

1. TPLS, Inc. has requested the following modification to the maintenance plan. The Maryland Historical Trust and Department of Natural Resources will review.

2. Replace Windows: PFLS, Inc. had discussed the two windows in the conical tower walls. The U.S. Coast Guard had replaced them with vinyl thermal pane windows. TPLS, Inc. have decided to leave them in place because the lighthouse interior walls gets damp in humid weather. They are doing good job and blend in well with the existing architecture.
3. Replace sidewalks: We had projected replacing the sidewalks in 2007, but we want to move that project to 2009. The sidewalks are still in pretty good shape, plus we need to decide whether to use bricks or concrete with an antique look. The existing sidewalks are concrete. TPLS, Inc. will have to submit a request to the Maryland Historical Trust for consultation and approval.
4. Install Lightning Protection: TPLS, Inc. have been investigating the purchase and installation of a lightning protection system. The lighthouse has been without a lightning protection system for nearly a century. The U.S. Coast Guard said they replaced it several times, but vandals kept stealing it because of the copper grounding cable. Copper has significantly increased in values, so theft would be even more probable now than before. There are new systems on the market with dual grounding cables installed on the inside of the lighthouse.

II. Use of Property

A. Describe the use activities that were carried on and off the property:

1. Lighthouse Gift Shop: TPLS, Inc. operates a gift shop at the lighthouse between Easter and Thanksgiving each year. It is open to the public from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., weekends and most holidays. Revenue producing!
2. Docents: TPLS, Inc. volunteer serve as docents. They pass out TPLS, Inc. informational brochures, provide oral history and answer questions.
3. Maryland Lighthouse Challenge: TPLS, Inc. is a Charter Member of the Maryland Lighthouse Challenge. This year will be the 6th year that TPLS, Inc. has participated. The challenge is planned, organized, and executed by the Chesapeake Chapter of the U.S. Lighthouse Society.
4. New Years Day Hot Apple Cider: Many people have an annual tradition of taking the journey to Turkey Point Lighthouse on

New Year's Day. TPLS, Inc. thought it would be nice to serve visitors free hot apple cider.

5. Host Scout Troop Visits: TPLS, Inc. host school groups at the lighthouse. TPLS, Inc. thought it would be nice to serve visitors free hot apple cider.
6. Host School Groups at the Lighthouse: TPLS, Inc. host school groups at the lighthouse. They provide an oral history, answers questions, and pass out lighthouse brochures.
7. Special Tour Groups: TPLS, Inc. TPLS, Inc. make special arrangement for local area tour groups. They open the gift shop (in season). They also provide oral history, answer questions and pass out brochures.
8. Handicapped Visitors: Elk Neck State Park and TPLS, Inc. make special arrangements for handicapped individuals to visit the lighthouse (year round). During the annual Maryland Lighthouse Challenge, special transportation is provided for the handicapped and physically challenged people who cannot make the 1.6 mile round trip to the lighthouse.
9. Educational Presentations: TPLS, Inc. deliver audio-visual presentations to local schools and civic organizations. TPLS, Inc. has developed a Power Pint presentation and use a laptop computer and projection system. The presentation is periodically updated to keep the information historically accurate and current. There is no charge for presentations, However, financial goals and objectives are shared with civic organizations and they provide a small donation.
Revenue Producing.
10. Fundraisers: TPLS, Inc. attend several community fundraisers each year. They use them as an opportunity to recruit new members, sell TPLS, Inc. merchandise and educate the public about Turkey Point Light Station and its maritime history.
Revenue Producing!
11. Networking: TPLS, Inc. are members of and/or network with the following organizations:
 - i. U.S. Lighthouse Society, Chesapeake Bay Charter
 - ii. Cecil County Chamber of Commerce

- iii. Cecil County Tourism Council
- iv. Department of Natural Resources

12. Local Merchants sell TPLS, Inc. merchandise. TPLS, Inc. have agreements with several merchants that sell TPLS, Inc. merchandise in their business establishment. They also sell TPLS, Inc. 4-Fold brochures to the public.
Revenue Producing!
13. TPLS, Inc. has a website: www.tpls.org. The website contains historic information and photographs, membership information, meeting dates and times, and TPLS, Inc. periodic newsletter (The Beacon). This website is NOT revenue producing, except to remind members about dues and TPLS, Inc. merchandise that is for sale at the lighthouse and in local business establishments. WE DO NOT sell merchandise or transact finances via TPLS, Inc. web.
14. TPLS, Inc. traveled to the Maryland State Fair in Timonium, MD to man a booth during the state fair.

B. Of the above, identify which of the use activities were revenue-producing.

1. Lighthouse Gift Shop
2. Maryland Lighthouse Challenge
3. Special Tour Groups
4. Presentations to Civic/Business/Community Groups
5. Community Fund Raisers
6. Local Merchants sell TPLS, Inc. merchandise.
7. Elk Neck State Park receives no income from the lighthouse or any of the fund raisers of TPLS, Inc.

C. Describe any changes or proposed changes in the use of the property.

1. There are not proposed changes in the use of the property at this time.
2. TPLS, Inc. understand that if there are any proposed changes that deviate significantly from what is outlined in the Use Plan of the Application, a draft amendment must be prepared and submitted

to the Department of Natural Resources and Maryland Historic Trust for review.

III. Financial Statement: The following are financial figures for the TPLS, Inc. 2008.

TURKEY POINT LIGHT STATION - Income/Expense

1/1/2008 through 12/31/2008 (Cash Basis)

INCOME

Donations	\$8,961.49
Interest Inc	\$2,932.29
Membership	\$3,799.00
Merchandise Sales	\$11,370.48
Misc Income	\$10.00
Raffle	<u>\$1,750.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$28,823.26

EXPENSES

Advertising Expense	\$250.00
Fundraising	\$225.00
Insurance	\$461.00
Lighthouse Improvements	\$2,500.00
Maintainance	\$357.93
Membership Fees	\$76.00
Merchandise	\$5,451.46
Misc	\$40.80
Office Supplies	\$225.84
Postage	\$263.22
Rental Fee	\$55.00
Sales Tax Paid	\$478.65
Special Events	\$960.00
Supplies	\$1,417.20
Utilities	<u>\$887.21</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$13,649.31

TURKEY POINT LIGHT STATION, INC - Balance Sheet

As of 12/31/2008 (Cash Basis)

<u>Account</u>	<u>Balances</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and Bank Accounts	
Turkey Point Light Station	19,463.26
NBRS-CD 0115185151	3,500.00
NBRS-CD 115185150	5,221.25
PNC-CD 20094170-200209	6,835.84
PNC-CD 20094172-9030027363	5,457.71
PNC-CD 20094174-9030014070	11,571.66
PNC-CD 20094176-9030014442	11,565.30
PNC-CD20094169- 100365	5,321.01
PNC-CD20094173-9030029070	5,317.83
<u>OTHER ASSETS</u>	
Gift Shop Building	<u>2,629.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	76,882.86
<u>LIABILITIES & EQUITY</u>	
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	0
<u>EQUITY</u>	<u>76,882.86</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	76,882.86

- A. Current Financial Statement/Tax forms are for Calendar year 2008.
- B. Were revenue goals achieved by the end of your organization's most recent fiscal year? Yes

TPLS, Inc. has almost \$77,000.00 in funding, which is more than enough to fund all current and proposed projects for the preservation of Turkey Point Lighthouse and Oil House. There will be NO negative impact on our historic preservation project.

- C. Were there any unanticipated expenses related to the property? If yes, please explain the nature of the expenses and what if any impact this will have on future preservation and use plans.

None

- D. Provide the current working budget for the property:

1. Operation Budget of Elk Neck State Park:

1. Salaries and Wages	\$617,094.00
2. Technical and Special Fees	\$236,986.00
3. Communication	\$ 3,154.00
4. Fuel and Utilities	\$ 96,590.00
5. Motor Vehicle Operations/Maintenance	\$ 33,291.00
6. Contractual Services	\$ 29,441.00
7. Supplies and Materials	<u>\$ 15,869.00</u>

Total: *1,032,425.⁰⁰*

2. Operation Budget of Turkey Point Light Station:

See Financial Statement

- E. Provide a narrative statement on the disposition of excess income from this property, if anticipated.

No excess income anticipated.

IV. Issue/Impacts or Threats to the Light Station:

- A. No complaints or violations regarding discrimination.
- B. No issues.

C. No unanticipated impacts.

V. Legal Involvements:

A. The State of Maryland has finalized the Use Agreement with the Turkey Point Light Station, Inc. to operate the lighthouse.

B. No problems.

C. No violations.

VI. Additional Information:

A. Visitors/persons attending off-site programming in the past 12 months:
Saint Mary Ann's Spring Flower Mart – approximately 500 people stopped at TPLS booth.

B. Hart's Church Peach Festival – approximately 300 people stopped at the TPLS booth.

C. Other programs (scout groups, senior citizens groups, civic organizations):
500 people

- i. Number of persons engaged in the preservation and use of the property – 120
- ii. Special Events – September 20th and 21st – 6th Annual Chesapeake Challenge, sponsored by the Chesapeake Chapter of the U.S. Lighthouse Society. The challenge is to visit 9 land-based lighthouses in Maryland in 2 days. 1,100 people were registered at the Turkey Point Lighthouse for the 2 days.