

[From Summer 2008]

Lighthouse Rappelling Inspection

On the morning of April 21st two men from the International Chimney Corporation visited our Assateague Lighthouse to conduct a two day inspection prior to final estimates for restoration. Bob Marz, lighthouse committee chairman, and others stopped by to see what was happening. The first morning was overcast, chilly and misty. In spite of the weather the men walked out on the lower Gallery. They ascended one ladder to the upper Gallery and then another ladder to the pinnacle of the lantern. From the ground it was fascinating watching them at work at the top of the 142 foot tower. When the mist changed to rain the inspection was suspended until the following day.

Nick Greif, lighthouse committee member and photographer, watched and captured all the action on film. He spent the two days snapping pictures and following the men throughout the lighthouse. His efforts recorded 185 views of their actions which he has shared with CNHA and Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge. We thank Nick for capturing this historic occasion.