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American Lighthouses: Their Location; How They Looked; Their Lights and Signals; Their Keepers; Notable Events; How to Find Out.

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ABSTRACT

Navigational aids fall outside of the concerns of most marine science libraries, but the public often perceives these libraries as likely sources of local marine historical information. A librarian can create goodwill in the community with a knowledge of information sources concerning lighthouses, the most conspicuous navigational aid. These sources include published books and papers, government documents, archival materials, images of lighthouses, oral history, and knowledgeable persons. Means of accessing these sources are described. Observance of the 200th anniversary of the beginning of the American lighthouse establishment in the fall of 1989 will create new interest in lighthouses and provide new opportunities for libraries to exploit these sources of information.

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