

Interview  
Lighthouse  
Sunday, April 14, 2002

The Lantern room was refurbished about 1990. By that time, four of the gargoyles had been taken by vandals and had to be replaced. The contractor worked with Monterey Sculpture to have them recast in bronze. The rest of the copper dome and the ventilation ball were in good condition and nothing had to be done about them. There is a little copper trumpet which feeds from the double gutter behind the gargoyles and it had to be replaced.

At that time the flooring of the balcony outside the lantern room was wood with a metal supporting structure. The floor was replaced with metal.

The railing around the balcony was also replaced. The posts which held up the rail (top rail) were thinner than a pencil and were replaced with stainless steel. The knobs on the tops of the posts were also replaced out of a milled stainless steel.

The vent slots below the windows were repaired so that they all were restored to working order.

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March 31, 2002  
Coastguardsman in 1972-3  
Watchkeeper at Pt. Pinos

1. Worked 8-hour shift at night, appears to be only one man at a time.
2. Stayed in barracks down in Monterey detachment.
3. Turned on light at start of shift.
4. Mostly stayed in kitchen
5. Kitchen outfitted with desk where new furnace is. Sink and TV where books are.
6. Going to college so studied on desk at night.
7. Did not do bulb maintenance; others did that.
8. Did turn on foghorn. If could not see the lights of Santa Cruz (Seaside) would turn on foghorn. Note switch on frame on front door. Then would have to walk down every half hour to foghorn building and clock in with watchman's clock.
9. Pool table in docent room.
10. The only room the public was allowed in was the Emily Fish parlor room. This room was pretty bare, but did have the old shipwreck and photo exhibit carousel with pictures in the panels.
11. Directed to turn on the foghorn if lots of people were parking down at ocean's edge.
12. When interviewed on March 31, 2002 it was a gray day with fog just beyond the red marker buoy. I asked if he would have turned on the foghorn and he said, "You had better have turned on the foghorn a long time ago. We tried to keep a three mile range."