



U.S. Coast Guard History Program

Station Georgica, New York

USLSS Station 11, Third District
Coast Guard Station #69

Location:	On ocean side of Long Island, 13 1/4 miles east northeast of Shinnecock Light.; 40-56' 35"N x 72-11' 19"W in 1878; 40-56' 40"N x 72-11' 40"W in 1915
Date of Conveyance	1855
Station Built:	1872
Fate:	Turned over to the GSA in 1955

Remarks:

Georgica station is believed to have first been built in 1856 on a site "one mile south of the village of East Hampton." The description of the location later changed to "on ocean side of Long Island, twelve and five-eighths miles east-northeast of Shinnecock Light." It was "reconstructed and enlarged" in 1886. During the hurricane of September, 1938, the station's beach boathouse was destroyed, the garage damaged, and the station was flooded. Like many others, it remained in commission through the Second World War and then was decommissioned. The station disappeared from the list of stations in January 1948. The property was turned over to GSA in 1955; the property was subsequently sold to the village of East Hampton to be used for a public park and recreational purposes.

Keepers:

The first keeper was Edmund J. Conkling, appointed in 1856 for an unknown period of time. The next known keepers were Jonathan F. Gould (appointed at the age of 40 on July 1, 1869 and serving until his resignation on November 14,

1876) and James M. Strong (appointed November 25, 1876 and serving until his removal in October, 1877). They were followed by Abraham S. Parsons, who was appointed on October 11, 1877 and resigned effective June 21, 1878. Then followed David C. Barnes (appointed at the age of 42 on July 1, 1878 and serving until his dismissal September 4, 1885), William D. Conkling (September 16, 1885 until resignation March 11, 1887), Nathaniel Dominy, Jr. (appointed March 24, 1887 until retirement March 25, 1915 because he was over 64 years of age and had more than thirty years' of service), Everett J. Hand (acting until appointment June 22, 1916 and served until his retirement with thirty years' service July 25, 1917), and Hubert B. Tuttle (reassigned from Rockaway station) on December 15, 1917 and served through June 10, 1929 when he was assigned to the New York Division Office). The grade of the officer in charge was downgraded; in 1937, the officer in charge was BM1 W. D'Romtra.

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