



Station Quogue, New York

Coast Guard Station #74

Location:	On Hampton Beach, 6 miles west southwest of Shinnecock Light; 40-48' 20"N x 72-36' 00"W
Date of Conveyance;	1887
Station Built:	1849
Fate:	Discontinued in 1937

Remarks:

Quogue station was built in 1849 "one-half mile south of the village." The next mention of the station is in 1912, when it was reported that the station was rebuilt to replace decayed and antiquated buildings. In 1937, this station appeared on the list of inactive stations. In 1939, it is carried with the listing "temporarily re-commissioned." By then, the position was "on Hampton Beach, six and one-half miles west-southwest of Shinnecock Light."

Keepers:

The first keeper was John Foster who was appointed in 1853 but it is not known for how long he served. Even less is known of Henry Gardner who followed him. Mahlon Phillips was appointed on November 9, 1872 and served until he was removed on December 22, 1877. Then came Silas E. Jessup (appointed December 22, 1877, he served until his resignation September 5, 1891), Charles H. Herman (September 3, 1891 until his resignation due to physical reasons November 6, 1907), Albert D. Jackson (November 1, 1907 until his reassignment to Potunk station August 1, 1917), William A. Goldbeck (August 1, 1917 until his reassignment to Potunk station August 16, 1919) and William F. Halsey (December 1, 1919 until his reassignment to the Fire Island station on November 26, 1930).

Gold life-saving medals were conferred upon Surfmen W. F. Halsey, Jr. and Frank D. Warner of this station in recognition of gallant conduct in saving life at the wreck of the schooner *Augustus Hunt* on January 22, 1904. The schooner struck some 600 yards offshore on a dark and foggy night. The beach patrol found her soon thereafter and the crew hastened to the scene with surf—boat and beach apparatus. Attempts to get a line to her were unsuccessful and attempts to get the surf—boat through the wreckage were fruitless as well. Those of the schooners crew who were in the rigging were lost when the rigging went over the side. Five remained on the jib boom, and three of them were lost when the boom carried away. The two remaining were adrift on and in the wreckage and were saved when the the surfmen swam to them.

[Two members of the crew, William F. Halsey, Jr., and Frank D. Warner, earned the Gold Lifesaving medal for a rescue that took place on 22 JAN 1904. Click here for a narrative of that rescue.](#)

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