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## Replica of Lake Ontario lighthouse likely to beckon boats

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POINT BREEZE, N.Y. (AP) — An abandoned lighthouse toppled into Lake Ontario during a 1916 storm, closing out Point Breeze’s heyday as a tourist beacon that lured schooners and steamboats, an upscale hotel and racetrack and trainloads of daytrippers fleeing the summer swelter.

This spring, a 37-foot-tall replica was erected with painstaking devotion beside the harbor. Already, visions of an economic revival in an overlooked oasis in upstate New York are flickering on the horizon.

“The amount of traffic you get with a lighthouse is phenomenal,” said Ben Jones, an Air Force reservist and history buff who lives near the riverside hamlet on the southern lake shore midway between Niagara Falls and Rochester.

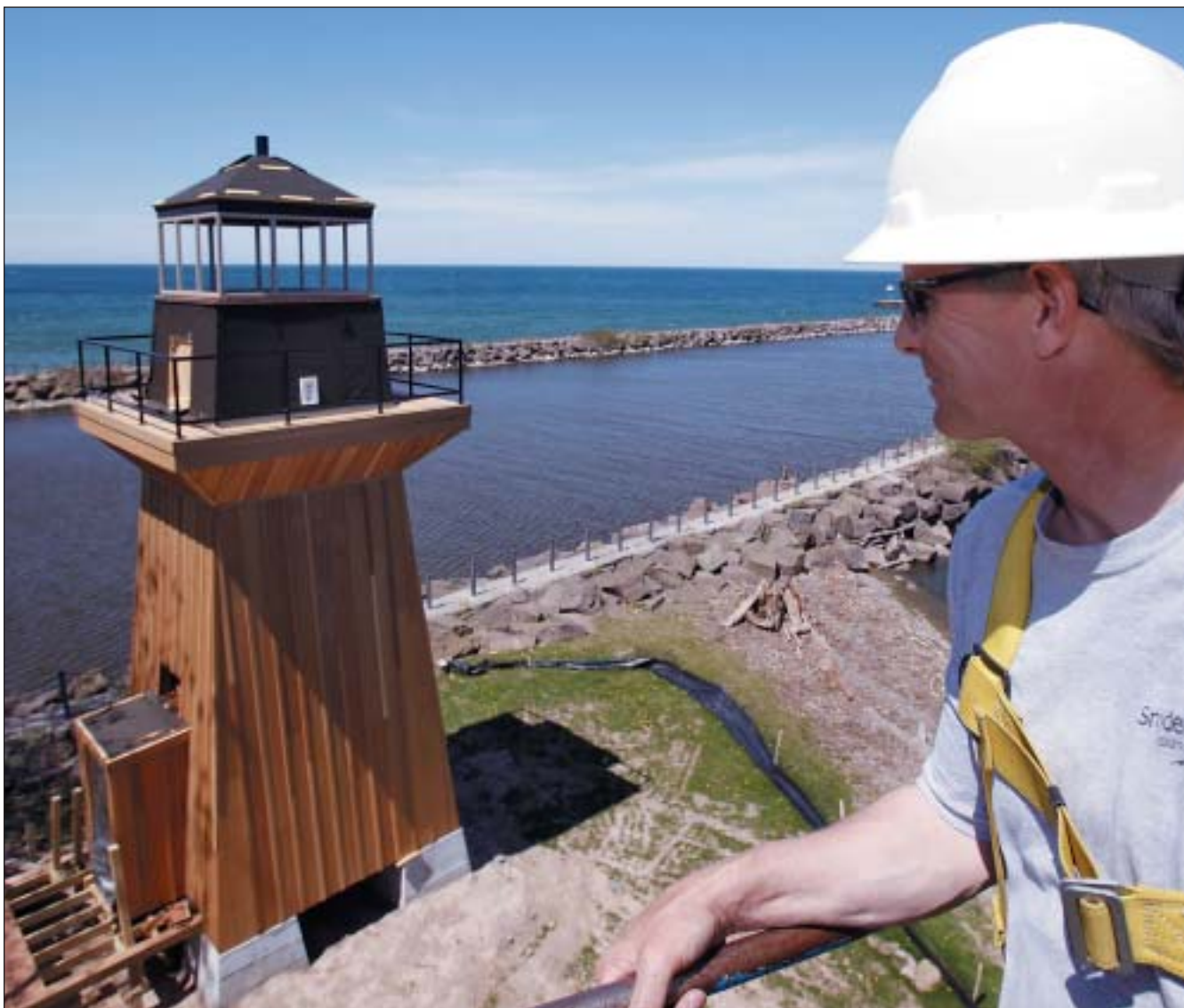
New lighthouses have been a rarity since World War I, and this is one of the first carbon copies.

“It’s the first historic replica I know of that has ever been built on Lake Ontario, and it’s the first new lighthouse on Lake Ontario in more than 70 years,” said author Thomas Tag, a Chicago-based expert on lighthouse technology.

Most of America’s 700-plus lighthouses popped up between 1870 and 1915, a third of them along the Great Lakes.

“Very few were built from 1915 to 1955 and virtually none after that,” Tag said. “Before World War I, the government decided there were a lot of small lighthouses on port entries that just weren’t worth the effort to maintain.”

They tended to fall down 10 to 15 years after being abandoned, he said.



Dan Snyder operates a lift to show a high view of a lighthouse replica under construction along Lake Ontario in Point Breeze, N.Y. AP Photo/DAVID DUPREY

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