



## U.S. Coast Guard History Program

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# Station Bellport, New York

USLSS Station #21  
Coast Guard Station #79

<b>Location:</b>	On beach, east end of Great South Bay, 14 miles miles east northeast of Fire Island Light; 40-42' 40" x 72-55' 50"W.
<b>Date of Conveyance:</b>	None
<b>Station Built:</b>	1849
<b>Fate:</b>	1951

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### Remarks:

Bellport station was built in 1849 on a parcel of property never conveyed to the United States located "four miles south of the village." This was later described as "abreast of and four miles south of Bellport."

The first two recorded keepers were Henry Titus (appointed 1853) and Jason Brown (appointed 1856); the end of the term of appointment for neither of these individuals is known. Next came George W. Robinson (appointed at the age of 57 on July 3, 1869, he served until his resignation effective January 22, 1878), Silas B. Rogers (appointed at the age of 31 on January 22, 1878, the end of his tenure was unrecorded), Edward Monsell (August 27, 1880 until November 11, 1885), Henry Kremer (December 8, 1885, until his retirement with thirty years' service June 30, 1916), James S. Baker (appointed September 16, 1917 until his reassignment to Jones Beach station May 27, 1925), Joseph E. Jacobs (reassigned from Jones Beach station May 28, 1925 until his reassignment to the Indian River Inlet, Delaware station August 27, 1930), and Chief Boatswains Mates C. T. Williams, Jr. (until 1932), H. R. Daniels (who was commissioned May 10, 1935 and served at least until 1939).

The station boathouse was badly damaged during the hurricane of September, 1938. The station was still active when World War II broke out. It was no longer listed as an active station in January 1952.

**Keepers:**

Henry Titus was appointed in 1853. It is unknown when he left the service.

Jason Brown was appointed in 1856. It is unknown when he left the service.

George W. Robinson was appointed on July 3, 1869 and left the service in 1880.

Edward Monsell was appointed on August 27, 1880 and left the service on November 11, 1885.

Henry Kremer was appointed on December 8, 1885 and was still serving in 1915.

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