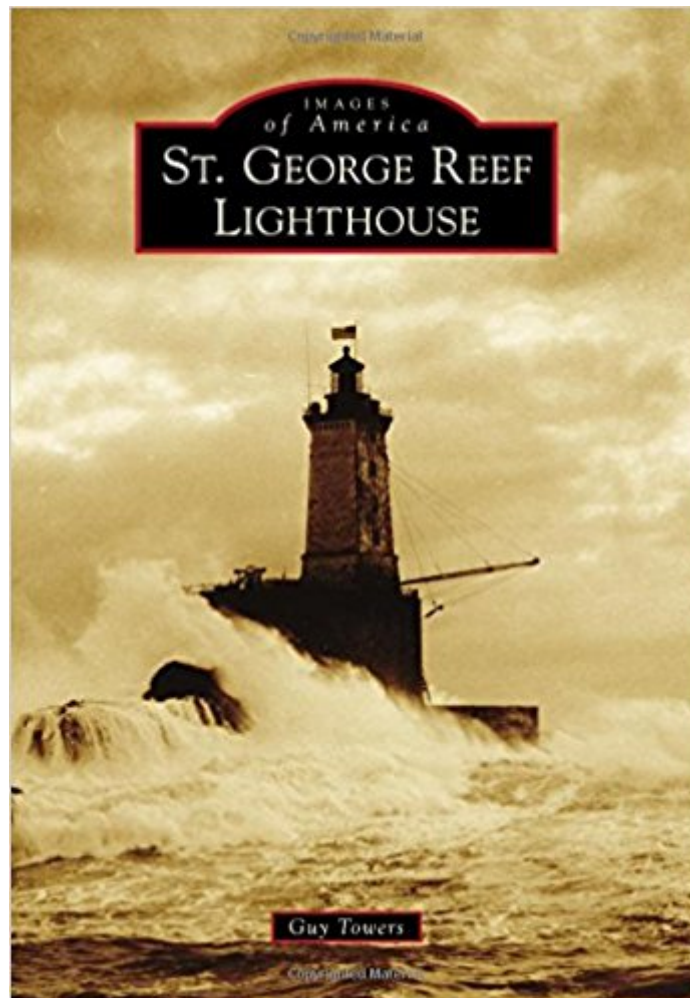




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Guy Towers and his wife, Alice, founded the St. George Reef Lighthouse Preservation Society in 1986, and Guy has been president of the nonprofit group since. He has compiled extensive historical records that include material from the National Archives and personal interviews with keepers. He coordinates and oversees restoration activities of volunteers, who were first able to access the site by helicopter in 1996. Guy also acts as a docent for visitors whose paid tours are the group's chief source of revenue.

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