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Annual Meeting

- *July 20, 2011 6pm*
- *Mayo Regional Hospital, Piscataquis Room*
- *www.sebedlakeassoc.com*

Welcome to another summer season at Sebec Lake. We're looking forward to some great events and activities on the lake and around the surrounding communities.

Don't miss the 15th annual Dover-Foxcroft Homecoming with parade and street fair with live music. You also don't want to miss the 3rd annual Fireworks display to be held on Sebec Lake. The Sebec Lake Association is a proud, major sponsor of the annual fireworks. The past two years have been spectacular! The Sebec Lake Association annual meeting will be held July 20th at Mayo Regional Hospital Piscataquis Room at 6:00 P.M. We are a large group of Sebec Lake property owners and other concerned individuals interested in preserving and maintaining the health of one of the last land locked salmon lakes in the State of Maine. If you are not a member yet, please consider joining.dues still a bargain at \$15 per year. Visit us at www.sebeclakeassoc.com or contact the officers or board of directors listed on page 14.

Enjoy your summer at Sebec Lake. Please respect this beautiful resource and help us protect it. Join us July 20th for the annual meeting. We will have professionals giving updates on fishing, lake quality and monitoring, dam operation and other topics of interest. See you there!!

Regards,

Brian Woodworth

Sebec Lake Association—President

Thanks to Carl Brackett at AMB Signs/Foxcroft Printers for producing the Sebec Lake Association newsletter.

To pay your dues for 2011-2012:

Go to www.SebecLakeAssoc.com, click on **Dues** in the drop down list under **Sebec Lake Association**, and pay with a credit card via PayPal. Be sure to fill out the **Update Member Info** form under **Contact Us**. Or you can fill out the form below and mail it with a check for \$15 to:

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Lake Property Street Address: _____

Lake Property City/Zip: _____

Lake Property Map# _____ Lot# _____ (Can be found on tax bill)

Year Lake Property acquired: _____ (Helps determine if property has changed owner since our last tax record update.)

Lake Property Phone: _____

Email (we hope to be emailing newsletters soon)

If you have already paid your dues for 2011-2012, THANK YOU for your support of the Sebec Lake Association!

Sebec Lake Association Website

www.sebeclakeassoc.com

Sebec Lake Association Annual Meeting

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.

Mayo Regional Hospital – Piscataquis Room

Sebec Lake Association Officers & Directors

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*1st Annual Shiretown Homecoming Celebration Activities, Fri, Aug. 5- 6 including
Open House at WDME/Observer Media Center on Main Street with Free Hot Dogs and
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Sat., Street Festival, Open House, Music, Center Theatre performances, and Spectacular
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**THANK YOU TO SEBEC LAKE ASSOCIATION, CENTRAL MAINE
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Mark your calendars for these summer events....

The **Annual Meeting** is scheduled for July 20, 2011 at 6 p.m. in the Piscataquis Room of Mayo Regional Hospital. Please note that the meeting is on a WEDNESDAY and not Saturday as in prior years. Parking and entrance is at the rear of the Hospital.

Dover-Foxcroft Homecoming and the very popular **Fireworks** display on the lake are scheduled for Saturday, August 6th. Steve Pratt will again be the DJ on the beach. Please note that the Fireworks display is dependent on enough money being raised. Please be generous when asked to contribute to this amazing celebration. The Sebec Lake Association has contributed \$1000 to the Fireworks Fund.

The **3rd Annual Whoopie Pie Festival**, put on by the Center Theatre, is Saturday, June 25th. The Festival is expected to draw a much bigger crowd than in the past (4000+) and will spread out to Monument Square and beyond. Sample all the varieties of Whoopie Pies brought in from around the state. Let's show Pennsylvania that Maine is the home of the Whoopie Pie!

Other events on the calendar: The **Sebec Village July 4th parade** and other celebration events, the **Guilford River Festival** on July 29 & 30 and the **Dover-Foxcroft Kiwanis Auction** is July 28, 29 & 30. The date for the annual **Ice Cream Social** at Central Hall will be Friday, August 5th.

Please support these local events! They are all lots of fun and many support local causes.

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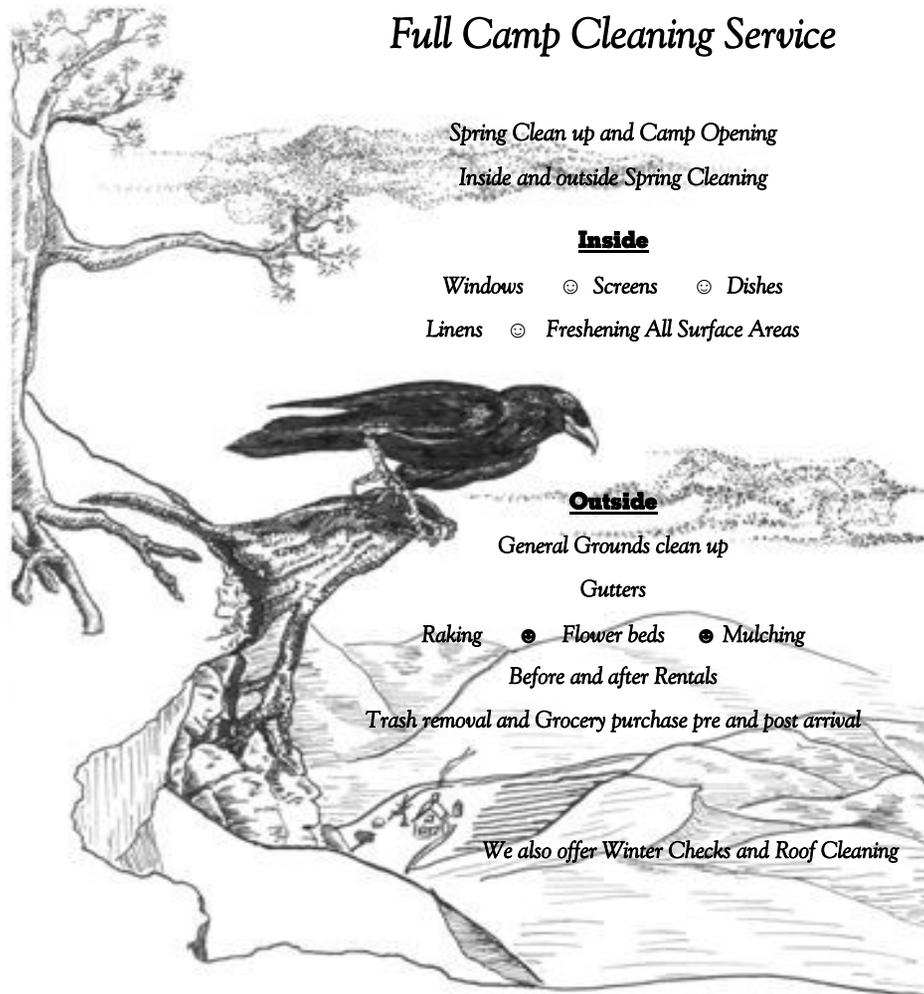
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June 25 - The one and only, the Maine Whoopie Pie Festival

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING TONIGHT?



FRIENDS OF CENTRAL HALL FUNDRAISING BRICKS

FOCH BRICK ORDER FORM



Help Friends of Central Hall (FOCH) preserve and restore CENTRAL HALL by purchasing your engraved Brick. Buy a Brick in memory of a loved one, your children or family. Buy a brick to promote your business or organization. Artwork or your business logo can be added to the engraved bricks. Each sponsored brick would be a visible part of the walkway to a newly renovated CENTRAL HALL in downtown Dover-Foxcroft Maine. All proceeds raised from the commemorative brick program will be used toward the restoration of CENTRAL HALL.

ENGRAVED BRICKS are 4"x8" or 8"x8" and allow for 15 spaces per line and up to 6 lines of text. Clip-Art and business logos can be added for an extra fee. We have selected Moonbeam Laser Engraving of Levant, Maine, and the "Whitaker Greer #30" clay brick, a beveled edge brick, and vector engraving enable the etching to turn into glass. Create a lasting memory for a loved one or promote your business or organization for a lifetime, by contributing to the preservation of Dover-Foxcroft town history.



Please fill out order form below and return to: FRIENDS OF CENTRAL HALL, Attention: Mary Annis, 28 Orchard Road, Dover-Foxcroft ME 04426, or call Mary at 564-0820. Please make your check or money order payable to: Dover-Foxcroft Historical Society.

4"x8" ENGRAVED BRICK(s) with 15 spaces/line and (3) lines of print	\$100.00	\$ _____
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(For additional artwork options or clip-art details, contact Bob and Lisa Bemis, Moonbeam Laser Engraving, 207-884-8372)

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VISIT CENTRAL HALL at upcoming events: June 25th - CENTRAL HALL Craft Fair during WHOOPIE PIE DAY
August 5th - CENTRAL HALL Ice Cream Social during SHIRETOWN HOMECOMING

The mission of the Friends of Central Hall is to preserve, restore to its former glory, maintain, and operate Central Hall as an event center that showcases small town America and promotes a vibrant Main Street by joining forces with those seeking to revitalize the community.

Rules and Regulations for Shorefront Development

The Maine Shoreland Zoning Act was enacted in 1971 and has had many revisions since then. It is used as a guideline for municipalities to create their own zoning laws, which may be more restrictive (but not less) than the state law.

Current state regulations require 200' of shore frontage, with that minimum extending to the 100' setback. Lot size must be a minimum of 40,000 square feet. Within the 100' setback buffer, no more than 40% of the total volume of trees over 4 inches in diameter may be harvested in any 10 year period. Vegetation less than 3 feet in height, including ground cover, cannot be removed. Pruning the lower 1/3 of tree branches within the buffer is permitted.

Rather than attempt to compress this lengthy document to fit here, please see www.state.me.us/dep/blwg/docstand/szpage.htm for the official information and www.waterfrontpropertiesofmaine.com/waterfront-questions-and-answers.html for a simpler explanation.

Invasive Plant Signs

New signs have been obtained from the state requesting boaters to check their boats/motors for invasive plants prior to launching into Sebec Lake. These signs will be installed at each of the boat ramps on the lake this spring.

Did you know....

All Sebec Lake property owners receive our mailings to their home address of record. We try to keep the addresses up-to-date based on the address of record in the tax records of each town on the lake. Please let us know if you are not getting our mailings by filling out the form under **Contact Us** on the SLA website, www.SebecLakeAssoc.com.

For our 2011 Newsletter, there are 889 address records of lake property owners, with some properties having multiple owners/addresses. Most (519 or 56.4%) addresses are in Maine, with 366 (42.2%) in other states, and 4 (.4%) outside of the US. Within Maine, 207 (23.3%) live in Dover-Foxcroft, Bowerbank, Atkinson, Guilford and Willimantic zip codes. There are 33 other states represented. Many camps are owned by the families of the original owners, even though the family has spread to other parts of the country. We are all connected by our love for Sebec Lake!

Please spread the word about the Sebec Lake Association and encourage your camp neighbors to join. Dues are still a bargain at \$15 per year, and help to keep our lake clean and safe.

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The Castle



The Castle, located near the mouth of Wilson Stream, was designed and built in 1893 by Willis E. Parsons, as the family story goes, to give his bride, Agnes, a castle, which he named Norwood for Northwoods. Mr. Parsons was a Maine state senator and the first Fish and Game Commissioner for the State of Maine. He lived in Dover-Foxcroft, and, according to his granddaughter Marilyn Wortman, actually performed the ceremony to 'marry' Dover to Foxcroft. They were also very involved with Foxcroft Academy, which their son, Willis G. Parsons attended.

Willis G. Parsons, along with his wife, Alma Parsons maintained the camp until they were no longer able to do so. According to Marilyn, who now owns the camp with her brother, John Parsons, the wooden structure remains as it was built by her grandfather with turrets and odd shaped rooms, along with the addition of a kitchen, bathroom and running water. Marilyn remembers using the outhouse and pumping water as a child.

Marilyn and John maintain the camp as a labor of love, honoring both their parents and grandparents.

Thank you, Marilyn, for sharing this history.

If you are curious about, or know the history of, an interesting location or structure on Sebec Lake, please let us know. Click on the 'Contact Us' link on the Sebec Lake website, and send us an email!

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Invasive Fish Species in Sebec Lake

At our 2010 Annual Meeting, Tim Obrey of Maine Fish & Wildlife spoke to us about the threat of invasive fish species to Sebec Lake. Early this year, a bill entitled 'An Act to Protect Native Landlocked Salmon Fisheries from Invasive Fish Species' was sponsored by Rep. Paul Davies of Sangerville. This bill prohibits the construction of a fishway or fish bypass structure at the dam on the outlet of Sebec Lake in the Town of Sebec and at the dam on the Sebec River in the Town of Milo that would allow the upstream passage of an invasive fish species known to be present downstream in the Piscataquis River or Penobscot River drainage. LD 134 is an effort to stop northern pike and other invasive fish species from gaining access to Sebec Lake. As you may know, the Penobscot River Restoration Project includes plans to construct a fish bypass around the dam on the Piscataquis River in Howland. This bypass has been designed to pass all fish species, and since northern pike and crappie are present in the drainage below the dam, they would have access to the entire Piscataquis River drainage to Dover-Foxcroft. Any construction of fishways or fish passage at the Milo and Sebec Lake dams would allow pike to access Sebec Lake. There was a hearing on 2/9/11 in Augusta on this bill and Sebec Lake Association was represented by President Brian Woodworth and Director Maurice Marden who both testified for the passage of this bill. The bill passed both the House and Senate on 3/31/11.

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We are fortunate to have a healthy lake. Will it always be that way? Should we take this for granted? Keeping a lake healthy depends on many factors, some easier to control than others. A basic understanding and smart choices are typically the perfect place to begin.

One of the most preventable sources of lake pollution is storm water runoff. Storm water is precipitation that does not soak into the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and manmade pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, and wetlands. The most serious problem for Maine lakes is phosphorus pollution via runoff. Phosphorus is a natural element found in soil and in lake sediments; however, lawn fertilizers, detergents, and sewage contain concentrated phosphorus that can be carried into lakes by storm water runoff. Lakeside dwellings are an obvious contributor, but all activity within the large watershed feeding Sebec Lake has an impact and Sebec has a number of stream feeds.

Once in a lake, phosphorus nourishes algae and allows the algae to multiply into a "bloom". When the algae die, they fall to the bottom, decompose, and deplete oxygen in the process. There are two serious consequences of oxygen depletion: (1) loss of oxygen kills the cold water species such as trout and salmon living near the bottom; (2) the loss of oxygen causes a chemical change to occur in lake sediment that frees additional phosphorus to feed the bloom.

Our lake is monitored for clarity, phosphorous levels, and dissolved oxygen (DO). DO levels were last recorded in 2002 at intermittent levels down to 45m (147 feet). The DO readings ranged from 8.2 ppm (parts per million) to 10.2 ppm. Oxygen levels below 5 ppm stress some cold water fish and may eliminate or reduce habitat for sensitive cold water species.

If we want our lake to remain healthy for many generations to come, we need to remember that our choices have a great effect and prevention is the key. What can you do? The next time you are buying lawn fertilizer or detergents, consider an environmentally friendly brand. You can get the right amount of fertilizer or detergent to do the job without adversely affecting the environment. It is up to all of us to make informed choices and keep our lake healthy for many future generations to enjoy.

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Products to help prevent phosphorous lake pollution

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Phosphorous Free Dishwasher Detergents

Bi-O-Kleen	Citra-Dish	EcoVer
Mrs. Meyers	Seventh Generation	Shaklee

Phosphorous Free Lawn Fertilizer

Vigoro Ultra Turf 48.5 lb. Phosphorus-Free Turf Fertilizer

Phosphorous Free Laundry Detergents

- Seventh Generation Free & Clear Natural Laundry Detergent
- Planet Ultra Liquid Laundry Detergent
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After all, we certainly want to prevent this from happening to our lake!

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