

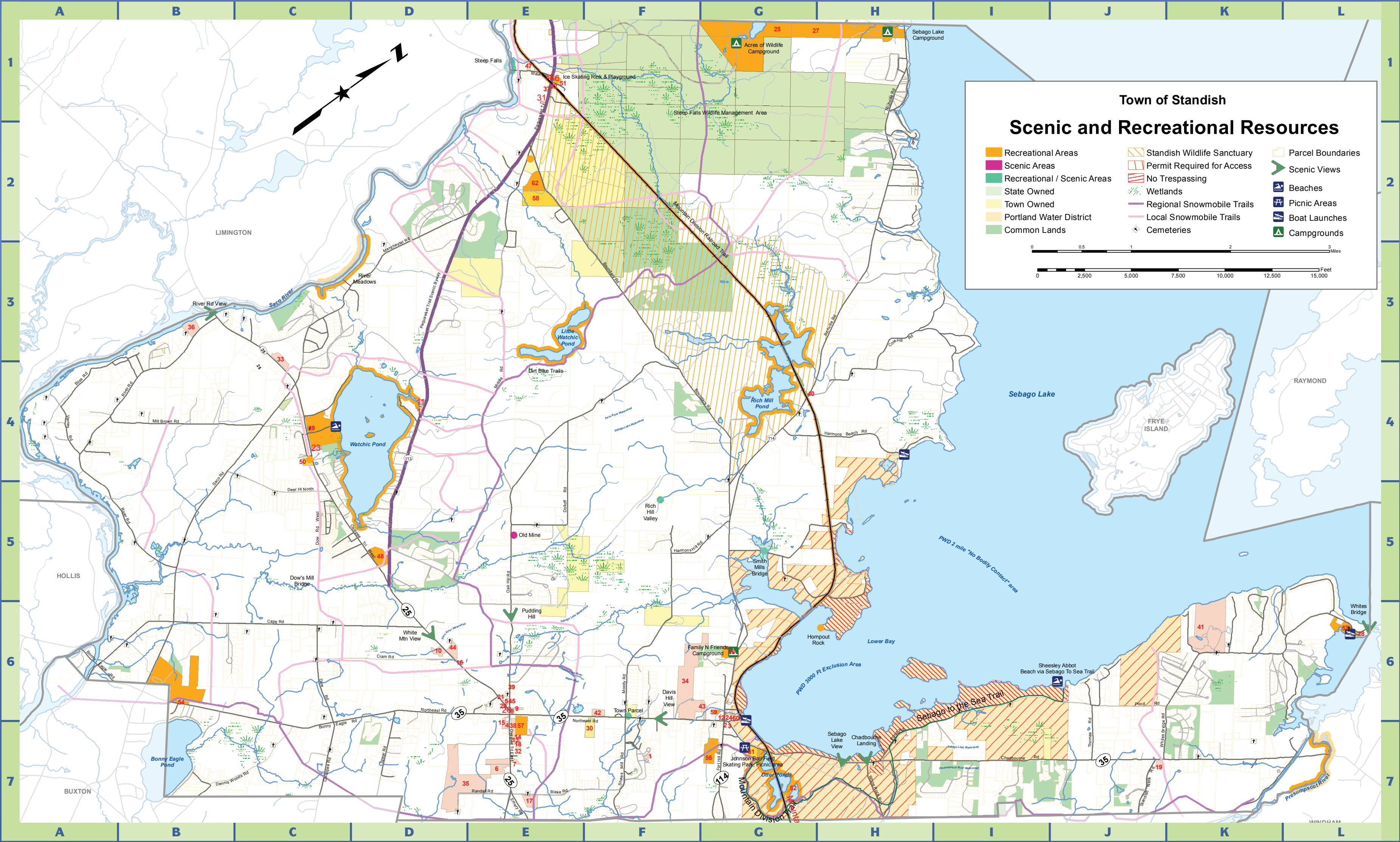
arts, antiques, crafts and gifts		
1	Carefully Done Stained Glass Shop .....	F7
2	Korner Knitters .....	G7
3	Ravens Roost Studio .....	G7
4	Sunrise Corner.....	E7
other shopping		
5	Good Cause Thrift Shop.....	E6
6	Gorham Savings Bank .....	E7
6	Hannaford Brothers .....	E7
6	Marketplace Card & Gifts .....	E7
7	Norway Savings Bank.....	E7
8	Oak Hill General Store.....	E6
6	Radio Shack .....	E7
9	Standish Hardware.....	E6
10	Steep Falls Building Supply .....	D6
dining		
11	Brookside Landing@The Inlet.....	D4

12	Corner House Café.....	G6
13	Dominos Pizza.....	E7
14	Dunkin Donuts .....	E7
6	Karry Out Inc .....	E7
15	Maine Street Grill.....	E7
16	Mediocre Deli.....	D6
17	Memorylane Music Hall.....	E7
18	Papa's Ice Cream .....	E7
19	Patches Market .....	K7
20	Sloppy J's .....	E6
21	Standish House Of Pizza.....	E6
13	Standish Subway .....	E7
22	Steep Falls Market .....	E1
23	Tabors Variety.....	C4
24	TJ's Sandwich Shop.....	G6

lodging		
25	Acres of Wildlife.....	G1
26	Family And Friends Campground .....	G6
27	Sebago Lake Family Campground.....	H1
28	Sebago Lake Lodge and Cottages.....	L6
services		
29	Old Standish Lodge function hall.....	E6
30	Standish Municipal Offices.....	F7
32	Standish Veterinary Hospital .....	E7
6	US Post Office Standish Corner.....	E7
31	US Post Office Steep Falls.....	H2
farms		
33	Chartier Farm Market.....	C3
34	Moulton Orchard .....	F6
35	Randall Orchards.....	E7
36	Rippling Waters Farm.....	B3
37	Steep Falls Farmers Market Library .....	E1

historic and cultural		
38	Marrett House.....	E7
39	Old Red Church (Historic Society) .....	E6
40	Richville Library.....	H4
41	Saint Joseph's College.....	K6
37	Steep Falls Library .....	E1
churches		
46	Berean Christian .....	E1
42	Livingstone Community Church .....	F6
41	Saint Joseph's College Chapel.....	K6
43	Sebago Lake Congregational Church .....	G6
44	Standish Baptist Church .....	D6
45	Standish Congregational Church.....	E6
47	Steep Falls Baptist Church .....	E1
recreation		
48	Field of Dreams Golf Range.....	D5
49	Kiwanis Beach .....	C4

50	Memorial Field baseball and soccer fields .....	C4
51	Mill Street Park & Skating Rink .....	E1
52	PWD Sebago Lake Ecology Center.....	G7
52	PWD Sebago Lake Land Reserve.....	G7
53	Richardson's Boatyard.....	L6
54	School Bonny Eagle High .....	B6
56	School Edna Libby .....	G7
57	School George E. Jack Elementary.....	E7
58	School Steep Falls Elementary.....	E2
59	Schoolhouse Arts Center.....	G6
60	Sebago Lake Station Landing Boat Launch.....	G6
61	Standish Johnson Field.....	G7
61	Standish Mountain Division Rail Trail Parking .....	G7
62	Steep Falls Field.....	E2
63	Steep Falls Park Gazebo .....	E1







# standish history

The land now included in the Town of Standish was originally part of the area hunted and occupied from time to time by the Sokokis Tribe of the Abenaki Indians. Moses Pearson commanded a company in the first siege of Louisburg and its capture, during the King George's War. Humphrey Hobbs commanded a company of Indian fighters defending New Hampshire from French and Indian raids. Upon return from those expeditions the two captains in 1748 petitioned the General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay for grants of land to establish a township somewhere in the County of York. In 1750 the right to settle 22,640 acres was granted to the men who had served in the two companies and their associates, a total of 120 men. The new township was called Pearson and Hobbs Town. Hobbs died of smallpox at Ft. William Henry during the last of the Indian wars and none of his men ever settled on the land.

In May 1752 the Proprietors met and began the process of surveying and mapping the First Division of the land into 30-acre lots. Settlement began slowly and many of the ex-soldiers sold their rights for whatever cash they could get. Four roads were laid out which crossed at what is now Standish Comer. These four roads were each 8 rods wide (132 feet) Northwest Rd. (Oak Hill Rd.), Northeast Rd. (Route 35 down to Sebago Lake), Southeast Rd. (Ossipee Trail East) and Southwest Rd. (Bonny Eagle Road).

In the earliest days of settlement the Indians frequently razed their cabins and attempted to drive them out. The Proprietors then petitioned the General Court in Boston for funds to build a

fort and supply an armed guard. The petition was ignored and the desperate grantees thereupon built a fort with their own funds. The fort was built at the intersection of the four roads so that the approaching Indians could easily be spotted. Within the fort there was a meetinghouse used for worship and meetings and several small houses against the walls of the fort for the families to occupy. In 1756 there were 16 families with an estimated total of 65 people. The men of the families alternated as armed guards of the fort. Only Joseph Thorn and Abraham York of the original grantees ever completed the requirements for gaining title to their land.

During the time they occupied the fort, the early settlers were often near starvation. They were surrounded by Indians and their efforts to raise crops on their lots outside the fort failed because of raids by the Indians. At one time some of the bravest men sneaked out of the fort and killed a moose. They cut off and carried back one quarter of the carcass. By the time they could return with help to bring in the rest, the Indians had found and carried away the remainder of the moose. A petition to the General Court in Massachusetts in 1756 resulted in a grant of \$6.40 a month (22 cents a day) to be divided among the sixteen families!

These conditions continued until the fall of Quebec in 1759, at which time the warfare between the Indians and the English Settlements in the District of Maine came to an end. During the next twenty-six years settlers were able to work their land and build cabins and houses. The plantation called "Pearsontown" was incorporated into a town by the name of Standish by an Act passed November 30, 1785 in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

# facts

- **Municipal Offices:**  
175 Northeast Road, Standish (F7)  
(207) 642-3461, www.standish.org
- Located 16 miles from Portland at the southern tip of Sebago Lake, Standish is one of the geographically largest communities in Maine. Over the past decade Standish has been the fastest growing municipality in the region and is a rapidly emerging suburb of the Greater Portland area.
- **Four population areas:**
  - Steep Falls on the Saco River
  - Standish Corner Village in the center of town
  - Sebago Lake Village at the southern end of Sebago Lake
  - The Whites Bridge area on the southeast shore of Sebago Lake
- **Square miles:** 64
- **Population:** 9,896
- **Distance to Portland:** 15 miles



# recreation

- **Standish Recreation Department**  
(207) 642-2875, www.standish.org/recreation  
email listserve: standishrecreators-subscrib@yahooogroups.com
- The Standish Summer Spectacular is held the last weekend in June at several Standish locations.
- Playgrounds are located at each of the elementary schools in Standish and are open to the public after school hours and all day on weekends, holidays and school vacations.
  - Edna Libby School, Route 114 (G7)
  - George E. Jack School, Route 35 (E7)
  - Steep Falls Elementary School and Steep Falls Field, Boundary Road (E2)
  - Johnson Field on Route 35 (G7) has the skate park, tennis courts, volleyball court, playground climbing apparatus, baseball field, two soccer fields and outdoor winter ice skating rink with warming hut.
  - A second ice skating rink is located on Mill Road in Steep Falls (E1).
  - Standish Memorial Park playing field and Kiwanis Beach on Watchic Lake are on Route 25 (C4).
  - Steep Falls Park is at the junction of Routes 11 and 113 (E1). Donated by the Tucker family, it is maintained by the Village Improvement Society founded in 1917.
- Mountain Division Rail Trail is a 5.7 mile gravel and paved bicycle and pedestrian trail that is part of a larger effort to develop and improve the entire



# national register of historic places

**Cumberland and Oxford Canal**  
from Sebago Lake Basin to Conant Street  
in Westbrook  
*listed November 1, 1974*

**Paine Neighborhood Historic District**  
Route 113 Steep Falls  
*listed April 11, 1985*  
Myrick Payne moved here on December 25, 1795. He built a house just south of the Payne Cemetery; an example of an extended family moving together to set up their own village.

**Standish Corner Historic District**  
Junction of Routes 25/113 and 35  
*listed October 4, 1993*

**The Old Red Church**  
First Parish Meetinghouse (E6)  
*listed March 27, 1975*  
Located in Standish Village on Oak Hill Road, the site was granted to the proprietors of the First Parish Meeting House for service to King George in the war of 1754. It opened in 1804, about the time soldiers overcome with excitement and spirits at an annual muster demolished the First Standish Church. Legend has it that five years subsequent to 1829, the congregation of the church became divided and that two services were held at the same time until 1834 when one faction moved up the street and built its own church, the present Congregational Church of Standish. In 1848 a second floor was laid and the upstairs became Standish Academy, which closed in 1852 when one of the trustees made off with academy funds. The Old Red Church was used until 1859.

Since that time the building has been used for worship services for brief periods. Through the years Good Templars Lodge (a temperance organization), The Grange, the Unity Club and other organizations have used the second floor. In 1893, the rooms became Standish High School. After five years, the High School moved to Steep Falls. In 1902 they moved back and stayed until a new Standish High School was built at Sebago Lake Village in 1914.

Deeded to the Town of Standish, the Old Red Church is managed by a board of trustees. The Old Red Church Museum has regular hours on Monday and Thursday, 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM, June through September. The church is available for tours, weddings, funerals, historical events and exhibits.

**Daniel Marrett House**  
Route 25 in the Village Center (E6)  
*listed February 15, 1974*  
Built in 1789, the Marrett House and Garden was the original home of Parson Marrett, who was pastor at the Old Red Church and operated a large apple orchard behind and beside his homestead. The house was also used to store gold from the Portland banks during the War of 1812.

**Schoolhouse Arts Theater**  
Built as Standish High School in 1916, the high school moved and it was renamed the Johnson Junior High School, operating from 1961 until 1970. The Schoolhouse is located in Sebago Lake Village (corner of Routes 35 and 114). This non-profit organization is dedicated to arts education and the presentation of the arts and produces plays, musicals and a variety of other shows throughout the year. www.schoolhousearts.com



# sebago lake

Sebago Lake, the second largest lake in Maine, was formed by the movement of glaciers over 10,000 years ago. Prior to the last glaciation, the outlet of Sebago Lake was located n Sebago Lake Village. The bedrock below Sebago Lake is covered by a layer of clay and silt that is over 160 feet thick. Sebago Lake is stocked with the *Salmar Salar* Sebago landlocked salmon, lake, brook and brown trout, and small and large mouth bass. Access via the Sebago Lake Boat Launch, near the intersection of Routes 35 and 114 in Sebago Lake Village.

- **Length:** 12 miles
- **Big Bay Width:** 5 miles
- **Jordan Bay Width:** 2 miles
- **Maximum Depth:** 305 feet
- **Mean Depth:** 101 feet
- **Volume:** 995 billion gallons

**Sebago Lake Ecology Center**  
The Sebago Lake Ecology Center is located at the Portland Water District's Lake Protection Office at the corner of Route 127 and Route 25. Take a self-guided tour of various erosion control methods, stormwater management techniques and native plantings, all designed with the homeowner in mind. Pick up a map, browse the lending library, children's corner, and information kiosk and speak with experts available to help you make your property lake-friendly and beautiful. **774-5961 ext. 3324.**

# growing with standish

Standish is a wonderful place to to live and to play. It is also a great place to work. In addition to the excellent base of citizens as employees, business-friendly ordinances and excellent properties for development, planning is also underway for the restoration of the Mountain Division Rail Line to FRA 2 condition which would accommodate freight and excursion rail service. This line historically was a bridge route for freight traffic in and out of Maine to the US Midwest. The current restoration is for a Short Line route within Maine to bring economic development and good paying jobs. Standish is well positioned to benefit from this service. If you are interested in locating your business here, please stop into the Town Office to talk about these and other opportunities.

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