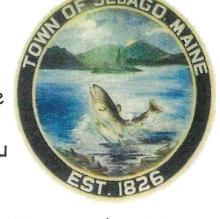
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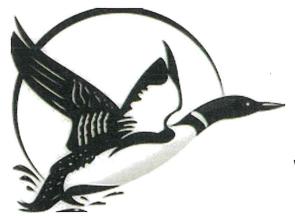
We are delighted to give you a heartfelt welcome to our beautiful corner of the world. Whether you are a nature lover or a sportsman we hope you will experience the delights and charm of our small town. Here is some useful information that we hope will make your transition to Sebago easy.



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Mission Statement of Sebago

To provide truthful, up to date and educational information on how the community works, in order to provide the opportunity for making informed decisions while also enriching the lives of our citizens that want to live here, prosper and raise their families.



Welcome to Sebago!



Town of Sebago Clerks Office



406 Bridgton Rd, Sebago, ME 04029

Office (207) 787-2457

FAX (207) 787-2760

townofsebago.org

TRANSFER STATION, TOWN BEACH, DOUGLAS MOUNTAIN PASS INFORMATION

The passes are good for the **Transfer Station** (at 141 Long Hill Rd.), the **Town Beach** (at the end of Marina Rd. – off Shore Rd. across from Sebago's Station 4 and for parking at the **Douglas Mountain hiking trails** (on Douglas Mountain Rd. – off Dyke Mountain Rd.). **Donations which help to maintain the hiking trails are always accepted and appreciated.**

The "sticker" type pass is to be placed on the front windshield, lower left hand corner (driver's side).

If you have friends or renters that come to stay for a week or two, they would need to obtain the "hanging tag" type of pass to access the aforementioned locations. This hangs from the rearview mirror of their vehicle.

The applicable fees for this type of pass are \$5.00 a week or \$20.00 a month. The following information is needed to obtain a "hanging tag" type of pass:

1. Valid Dates of Permit

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

2. Issued To (Name)

Tuesday & Thursday 7am - 5pm

3. License Plate Number

Saturday, & Sunday 7am - 5pm

4. State (the license plate is from)



Boats

Chairs

Couches

CPUs

Box Springs

Canvas Covers

Dehumidifiers

Mattress-Single

Mercury Switches

Printers/Scanners

Sinks-Non-Metal

Toilets

Vacuums

Tires on and off the rim

Water Heater- with Heat Pump

Wood Desks, Tables & Cabinets

Demolition and Construction Debris

Dryers-Gas

Microwaves

Air Conditioner

UPDATED

Town of Sebago, Maine 406 Bridgton Rd Sebago, ME 04029 (207)787-2457

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SEBAGO TRANSFER STATION FEES





SINGLE STREAM

"Recycling Made Simple"

It ALL goes in together:

Newspapers, Magazines, Catalogs
Telephone/Soft Cover Books
Direct Mail/Envelopes (all types)
Paper (all colors, staples/paperclips are okay)
Paperboard (cereal/shoe boxes)
Milk/Juice Cartons
Cardboard/Brown Paper Bags
Plastic Bottles and Containers Numbered #1-7
Soda/Juice/Water Bottles (glass or plastic)
Milk Jugs, Bleach/Detergent/Shampoo Bottles
Food containers (cottage cheese/margarine/yogurt)
Glass Bottles/Jars (any color)
Aluminum (pie plates/trays/foil)
Metal Cans (tin/steel/aluminum)
All Cans Must be Empty and Non-Hazardous





SINGLE STREAM

"Recycling Made Simple"

What NOT to include:

No Plastic Bags, No Food Liners

No Unmarked Plastics (laundry baskets/chairs/toys)

No Windows/Light Bulbs

No dishes, No Pyrex, No Ceramics

No Foam Packaging, No Styrofoam

No Hazardous Material or Universal Waste

Recycling Bins for plastic bags (stores, etc...) are at your local grocery stores, usually located in the entrance.

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We're working to create a better tomorrow

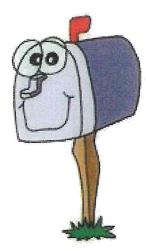
Ask the Public Works Director

How do you handle mailbox damage done by your truck or plowed snow/ice from your truck? Any difference if the mailbox is within your right-of-way or outside the right-of-way boundary?



What if someone is going to "fix you" by erecting an immovable "deadly fixed mailbox" made of concrete, steel, brick etc.?

Mailboxes are in the right-of-way by permission of the municipality and if damaged, there is no legal entitlement to replacement or payment.



If the mailbox is within the right-of-way, the municipality has a legitimate concern for the safety of drivers and for its own potential liability under the Highway Defect Act, since a mailbox that is a "deadly fixed object" may be a highway defect. If outside the right-of-way, however, the mailbox is on private property and is beyond the municipality's jurisdiction.

No municipality should tolerate the presence of "deadly fixed object" mailbox posts (such as concrete, granite or steel I-beam posts) in the right-of-way since this could constitute a "highway defect". The municipality should request immediate removal of the post by the landowner (who also could be held liable for property damage or personal injury). However, if the landowner does not cooperate, it is better to obtain a court order for removal instead of the municipality exercising "self-help" and removing the post itself.

Excise Tax

Excise tax is an annual tax that must be paid prior to registering your vehicle. Except for a few statutory exemptions, all vehicles registered in the State of Maine are subject to the excise tax. Excise tax is defined by Maine law as a tax levied annually for the privilege of operating a motor vehicle or camper trailer on the public ways.

WHERE DO I PAY THE EXCISE TAX?

Excise tax is paid at the local town office where the owner of the vehicle resides. When a vehicle needs to be registered, an excise tax is collected prior to the registration.

HOW MUCH IS THE EXCISE TAX?

The amount of tax is determined by two things:

The age of the vehicle

Manufacturer's suggested retail price ("MSRP")

HOW IS THE EXCISE TAX CALCULATED? Excise tax is calculated by multiply-

ing the MSRP by the mil rate as shown below. The rates drop back on January 1st of each year.

YEAR 1 - .0240 mil rate

YEAR 2 - .0175 mil rate

YEAR 3 - .0135 mil rate

YEAR 4 - .0100 mil rate

YEAR 5 - .0065 mil rate

YEAR 6 - .0040 mil rate

For example, the owner of a three year old motor vehicle with an MSRP of \$19,500 would pay \$263.25.

WHERE DOES THE EXCISE TAX GO?

The town that collects the excise tax can use it as revenue towards the annual town budget. Typically, the revenue is spent on local road maintenance, construction and repair.

WHY IS THE TAX BASED ON MSRP?

Excise tax was designed with equity in mind. In 1925, this tax was enacted as a Maine law. At that time, the Legislature decided that the fairest tax assessment would be based on what the manufacturer suggests it sell for. This law has remained in effect for more than 85 years to ensure that everyone who drives the same vehicle pays the same amount of tax.

WHERE CAN A TOWN GET THE MSRP?

There are several resources for the MSRP that will provide the information on the retail price of a vehicle. New vehicles are required to have a window sticker and the window sticker must be must be presented on first time registrations.

For used cars, individuals and municipalities can use the NADA Guide, the New Car Cost Guide, the Automobile Red Book and the Automobile Blue Book to determine the MSRP of a vehicle.

Many towns have adopted software based on the *Automobile Red Book* and can use the VIN number to determine the MSRP of that vehicle.

PLEASE NOTE: The State of Maine Property Tax Division only provides quotes to the Municipal Tax Collector, not to individuals.

Property Tax Exemptions

Homestead Property Tax Exemptions

If your home in Sebago is your primary residence you may be eligible for a Homestead Exemption. Your primary residence is determined by the information on your drivers license. You will need to have owned the property for a full calendar year as of April 1. Also the exemption form needs to be received by the Sebago Town Office before April 1st of any given year.

Veteran Property Tax Exemptions

Like a Homestead Exemption application a Veteran Exemption application must be received by the Sebago Town Office before April



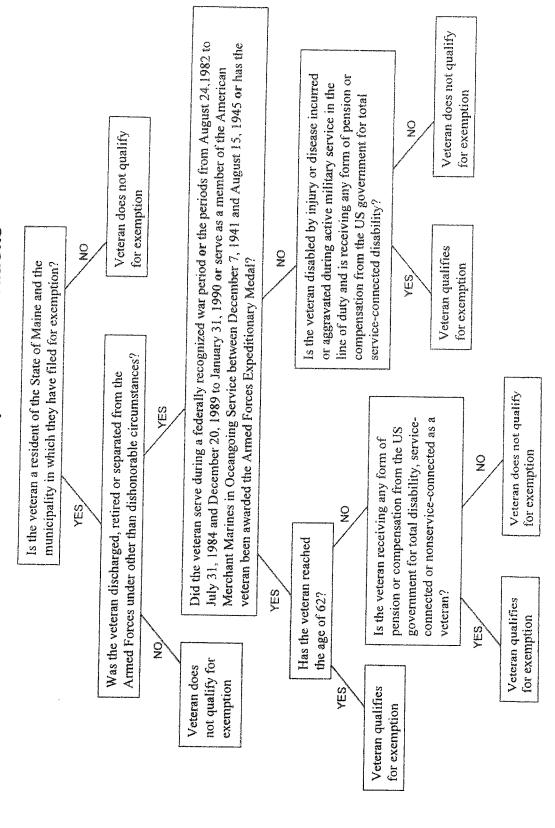
1st of any given year. As long as you are veteran and your primary residence is in Sebago you can apply for this exemption.



Sample Forms are located in this packet. Blank forms are available at the Sebago Town Office during normal business hours. Or you can use the link below to print the form at home.

http://www.maine.gov/revenue/propertytax/sidebar/exemptions.htm

Veteran Exemption Qualifications



Have you ever wondered what's going on in Town?

Go to our website townofsebago.org and <u>Subscribe to News</u>. Follow the prompts and you'll receive an e-mail anytime the website is updated.

If you click on Find it Fast then the <u>Sebago Happenings</u>
<u>Newsletter</u> button, you'll find all of the recent newsletters, with the most recent edition at the top.

Just Visiting?

Click on the <u>Visiting Sebago</u> button, under Citizens Action Center, and find maps of Douglass Mountain, Sebago and the Sebago Lake Region as well as information about Sebago Days which is always the 3rd weekend in July.



Did you just move to Sebago?

Anything you need to know about services in town is under the Citizens Action Center <u>Living in Sebago</u>. Anything from Schools to Churches to Civic Groups to join can be found there.

Would you like to know who works/volunteers for the Town?

Click on <u>Departments</u> for a list of department heads and how to contact each of them.

What are the Town Office hours?

Under <u>Town Information</u> you can find out what the hours are for the Town Office and the Transfer Station. Who is elected or appointed in the Town, and the Town History is also listed there.



<u>Do you want to know if the "Old" Town Hall Building is available for rental?</u>
Click on the <u>Calendar</u> and then <u>All Upcoming Events</u> and check out what's going on at the Town Hall to plan your events.

<u>Do you have questions about the new Sebago School Administrative Unit?</u>
Click on the <u>Schools</u> button under <u>Departments</u>, for meeting agendas and minutes of the new schoolboard.

There is a lot of information on the website, take a look and see what you can find!

Town Office

The Town of Sebago Municipal Offices are located at 406 Bridgton Rd.
The Town Manager, Town Clerk, Code Enforcement Officer and other
elected officials offices are located there. The Town Office is open Tuesdays
10:00 AM—7:00 PM and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 8:00 AM—5:00 PM. The
office closes every day from 12:00 to 12:30 PM for lunch. First time "new to you"
vehicles (never register in you name) whether it be a car, boat, ATV or snowmobile,
will not be processed a 1/2 hour prior to closing. In addition, the person or persons
to whom the vehicle is being registered must come in and do the registration themselves. Please plan transactions accordingly. We apologize for any inconvenience.

Property Taxes

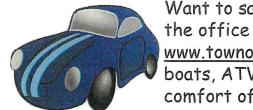
Property taxes are assessed by State Law on April 1st of each year. Whoever owns the property as of that date is responsible for the taxes on that property for the coming fiscal year (July 1st of the current year to June 30th of the following year). Annual tax bill amounts are payable

in two equal amounts with the first installment due on the first Tuesday in November, and the second installment due on the first Tuesday in the following May.

Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting is now in May at the Town Hall Building, located at 418 Bridgton Road. Keep an eye on the website for more info.

Online Services



Want to save a trip to the Town Office? Can't make it before the office closes? By using the links on the town website www.townofsebago.org you can RENEW your vehicles, trailers, boats, ATVs, snowmobiles, licenses, and dogs online from the comfort of your home.

How to Contact Animal Control

If you encounter a situation that requires the assistance of Sebago's Animal Control Officer, please contact Cumberland County Dispatch at 1-800-501-1111.

Annual Rabies Clinic

The annual rabies clinic is held at the "Old" Town Hall Building. The clinic is limited to cats and dogs only; no puppies or kittens please. Cats must be in carriers, and dogs must be on a non-retractable leash. The cost per animal is \$10.00. Please bring the most recent rabies certificate to receive a 3 year shot, otherwise a 1 year shot will be administered. Please check the website www.townofsebago.org for dates.



Assessor's Field Work

John E. O'Donnell and Associates, Inc. is a municipal consulting firm specializing in tax assessing, tax equalization, and tax mapping. Every spring the Town of Sebago starts conducting its yearly assessing of residents properties. Employees from John E O'Donnell and Associates have permission from the Town of Sebago to assess all properties in the town. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 787-2457.

Burn Permits



Burn Permits are required by Law when you want to do any open burning at any time during the year. To obtain a permit you can go to the https://www.wardensreport.com/#!/townSelect/3. You can also get a "Seasonal Campfire" permit at the Town Office if you plan to have a campfire or fire pit to roast marshmallows.

Town Hall Use

The Town Hall/Recreation Center is available for Sebago Residents to rent for events such as, a birthday party, wedding, shower or fundraising event. The rental fee for residents is \$150.00 per day, plus a \$150.00 deposit which is required to ensure the cleanliness of the building after the event. The fee is \$300.00 per day, plus a \$300.00 deposit. You may contact the Recreation Director prior to renting the hall for a walk through.



Sand & Salt

Sebago Residents and taxpayers may obtain sand and salt from the designated area in the lean-to building located in front of the Public Works Garage (next to the EMS Building). The sand and salt is for personal use ONLY, and ONLY for property located in

the Town of Sebago.

Hunting & Fishing Licenses

The Town Office issues Hunting and Fishing Licenses. If you would like a hunting or fishing license, please bring your driver's license or state identification card with you when applying for a license.

A firearms hunter safety course card must be presented when obtaining an adult firearms license for the first time. Age 16 and older, if the hunter has not held

an adult license since January 1, 1976 a firearm hunter safety course is required before a license can be issued. An archery safety course card must be presented when obtaining an adult archery license for the first time. If the hunter has not held an adult license since January 1, 1980 an archery safety course is required before a license can be issued.

Licenses for ATVs, Boats and Snowmobiles

The Town of Sebago can process first-time and renewal registrations for ATVs boats, and snowmobiles for residents and non-residents.

To process a first-time registration, that you have acquired through a dealer sale, for any of the above recreational vehicles, you will need the following:

 Bill of sale—that shows that sales tax has been collected from the dealer. Please note: If your recreational vehicle is a used model and previously registered in Maine we will need the Maine registration number (ME number).

To process a first-time registration, that you have purchased through a casual sale, for any of the above recreational vehicles you will need the following:

- Bill of Sale—which should include seller's name, buyer's name, VIN/ Serial number, Maine registration number (if previously registered in Maine), and the price of the recreational vehicle.
- Sales Tax—is required for first-time registrations. Be prepared to pay 5.5% of the sales price on a new recreational vehicle. Please note: If your recreational vehicle is a used model and previously registered in Maine we will need the Maine registration number (ME number).



To process a renewal registration for any of the above recreational vehicle please present your previous registration at renewal time.

Registration Period

- All Boats expire December 31st of each year.
- ATV's and Snowmobiles expire June 30th of each year.

FMI call the Town Clerk's Office at 787-2457.



So you just moved to Town, now what?



Notify the Post office of your change of address.

Within 30 days of moving to Maine, you are required, by law, to register your vehicle in this state. To complete the registration you will need to bring the following items to the Town Office:

· The previous registration.

- The title or lien information, if the vehicle is a 1995 or newer.
- A bill of sale if the vehicle is new to you.

A valid insurance card.

 Proof of current Sebago address, if you have not changed your drivers license yet.



After your vehicle is registered it needs to be inspected at an inspection station.

Obtain a Maine drivers license. You will need to visit a Bureau of Motor Vehicle Branch Office. The nearest BMV Branch is at 200 Expedition Drive, Scarborough, ME 04074 (near Cabela's). Their telephone number is (207) -883-2596 and their hours are Monday—Friday 8:00 am—4:00 pm.

Register to Vote. Please bring with you proof of <u>identity</u> and <u>residency</u>. This could be a Maine Driver's license with your

Sebago address listed, or a piece of mail with your Sebago address, post office boxes are not acceptable. You can register to vote at the polls on election day, as long as you have the correct proof of identity and residency.

FIRE DEPARTMENT ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FROM HOMEOWNER INSURANCE PROVIDERS

1. Fire Department Station Names, Addresses & Phone Numbers: Station #1 - 408 Bridgton Rd., Sebago, ME. 04029

Phone # 787-4515 - Fax # 787-4516

Station #2 - 242 Sebago Rd., Sebago, ME. 04029

Phone # 787-2228

Station #3 – 12 Kimball Corner Rd., Sebago, ME. 04029

No Phone (this location is only used as a garage for a Tanker Truck.)

In an emergency the number to call in 911!

- 2. Paid Employees or Volunteers: Combination of Both
- 3. Number of firefighters responding to an emergency call: 5 to 30 depending on the need. (Membership is 30)
- 4. Estimated response time: 8 to 10 minutes
- 5. Mutual Aid Pact (s) with: Standish, Casco, Naples, Denmark, Baldwin, Hiram, **Cumberland County**
- 6. Do mutual aid companies respond at the same time or do they wait for a call: Some respond on the first alarm and some respond as needed.
- 7. List of Pumpers and pumping capacity in gallons per minute:

Engine #2 - 1000/1000gpm

Engine #3 - 350/1000gpm

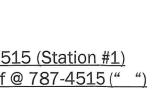
Engine #4 - 1000/1200gpm

8. List of Tankers and capacity:

Tanker #1 - 3300/1200gpm

Tanker #2 - 3400/750gpm

9. Fire Department contacts: Philip Strike, Fire Chief @787-4515 (Station #1) Alan Greene, Deputy Fire Chief @ 787-4515 ("







General Assistance

General Assistance is a program that provides assistance for basic needs for eligible applicants who can not provide for themselves or their families. General Assistance provides a "specific amount and type of aid for a defined need during a limited period of time and is not intended to be a continuing 'grant-in-aid' or 'categorical' welfare program". (§4301(5))

Whoever knowingly and willfully makes any false representation of a material fact to the overseer of any municipality or to the department or its agents for the purpose of causing that or any other person to be granted assistance by the municipality or by the State is ineligible for assistance for a period of 120 days and is guilty of a class E crime. (§4315)

Pursuant to Title 22 MRSA § (4305) the municipal officers have adopted an ordinance which is available for public inspection. Also available for inspection is a copy of the State's General Assistance statutes.

Residents of the Town of Sebago who are having difficulty meeting basic needs such as housing, utilities (electricity and heating fuel), and food may apply for assistance at the Town Office during the following hours:

Tuesdays 1:30 pm — 3:30 pm

Please call (207) 787-2457 or 1-800-698-5956 X 318

If an emergency occurs outside of these hours, applicants may contact 211 or visit 211.org.

The General Assistance Administrator must issue a written decision regarding eligibility to applicants within 24 hours of receiving an application.

The Department of Human Services toll-free telephone number to call with questions regarding General Assistance is 1-800-442-6003.

This program is funded by local property taxes with a 70% reimbursement from the State.





Community Tidbits

Do you hear the lunch bell? Come join us for a nourishing meal and interact with your neighbors at the Sebago Church of the Nazarene. The Sebago Community Meal (formerly the Senior Meal) is held on Tuesday at 12:00 noon at the Sebago Church of the Nazarene on Rte. 114 (179 Sebago Rd). A \$3.50 donation is appreciated, but not necessary. FMI call June Johnson 787-3145 or Christine Hagan 787-2870.

BINGO! Bingo and Cribbage games are held at the Sebago Church of the Nazarene every Tuesday morning from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. There is no charge for the Bingo; it is a social time for all. Come and enjoy Bingo and Cribbage and socialize with your neighbors.

Come find your voice, and get ready to shout...BINGO!

FMI call Christine Hagan 787-2870.



Need extra space in your closets and drawers? The Sebago Clothes Closet is located on Rte. 114 (179 Sebago Rd) in the Warming Hut building. It is open to all Maine residents on Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. All in need of gently used clothing, outerwear, footwear and bedding please come and see what is available. There is no charge but clothing donations are welcome. There is a donation box in front of the building for any drop-offs. FMI call Deborah Howard 787-3608.

Did you know that Sebago has a Medical Equipment Lending Closet?

It is housed at the old Town Hall building. Medical supplies are available to all in need of them. There are wheelchairs, walkers, a hospital bed, lifts, crutches, tub and shower chairs, etc. available. Please contact Christine Hagan 787-2870 or Barbara Pajak 361-9102, if you need to borrow equipment or would like to donate items.

The Sebago Food Pantry is open to all Sebago residents whose income meets the low income requirements. The pantry is located at the Warming Hut on Route 114 (179 Sebago Rd) in the Sebago Church of the Nazarene parking lot and is open every Monday.

The 1st Monday of the month the pantry is open from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, the 2nd Monday 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, the 3rd Monday 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, and the 4th Monday 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM - 5:45 PM.

If there is a 5th Monday the pantry is open from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM.

FMI call Liz Brown 787-5105 or Mike Libby 595-3628



Boston Post Cane History

In 1909 the Boston Post newspaper distributed specially designed walking canes to 700 New England towns. The canes are made of ebony imported from Africa and crowned with 14 karat gold. The canes were presented to the oldest living male of those communities. Women were added to the list of cane recipients starting in 1930. The original cane that was given to the Town of Sebago is now on display at the Town Office, A replica of the cane is now given

Churches

There are four churches in Sebago.

to the town's oldest living resident.

North Sebago United Methodist Church located at 820 Sebago Road. Sebago Center Community Church at 403 Bridgton Road.



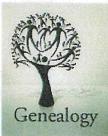
Sebago Church of the Nazarene at 179 Sebago Road. Our Lady of Sebago Catholic Church at 268 Sebago Road.

For more information about the churches visit the town's website and click on the <u>LIVING</u> in <u>SEBAGO</u> link under the Citizens Action Center on the Home page.

Sebago Historical Society

The Sebago Historical Society was formed in 1976. The Society works hard promoting interest in the history of the town by collecting historical artifacts, organizing special events and educational programs, arranging tours of historic

homes, creating annual calendars, and documenting town cemeteries. The Historical Society is located at 347 Convene Road. The Society's museum and collections are open on the second Saturday and the fourth Sunday in June, July, and August from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Visits can be scheduled by appointment as well. If you are interested in joining the Sebago Historical Society or would like to volunteer to help them preserve Sebago's history, please contact Sherrill Brown at 787-5254 or info@sebagohistoricalsociety.org.



Library

Spaulding Memorial Library is located at 282 Sebago Road. The Library is open:

got books?

Monday 8:30 am -7:00 pm, Wednesday 8:30 am -7:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am -1:00 pm and Sunday 2:00 pm -4:00 pm. The library has Public Internet, free Wi-Fi, over 125 movies, 325 books on CD, and almost every book you are looking for. For more information call (207) 787-2321, or visit the website at www.spaulding.lib.me.us.

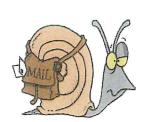
Lion's Club

The Sebago Lions Club meets the first and third Thursday of each month at the

Sebago Town Hall. The Lions Club is a group of local men and women who volunteer their time to work together to strengthen our community. Lions help where help is needed. Lions are friends, family and neighbors who share a core belief "Community is what we make it." For more information on meetings and membership contact Tina Libby-Hook, Club President (207) 809-9142.

Post Office

The Post Office is located at 222 Sebago Road and is open Monday—Friday 7:45 am—10:45 am, and 11:45 am—2:45 pm, and Saturdays 8:30 am—11:15 am. The Post Office lobby is open 24/7 to access your P.O. Boxes.



Schools



Sebago children attend Sebago Elementary School located at 283 Sebago Road, for kindergarten through fifth grade. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade is held at Lake Region Middle School at 204 Kansas Road in Naples. Lake Region High School is located at 1877 Roosevelt Trail in Naples as well.

Sebago Days

Sebago Days is always the 3rd weekend in July! There is a talent show, live bands, games, a fun run, parade, tons of food, crafts, yard sale, and the absolute best firework show around! Come enjoy the fun!



Greater Bridgton Lake Region Chamber of Commerce

Greater Bridgton Lakes Region consists of 123 small towns and villages which includes: Bridgton, Brownfield, Casco, Denmark, Fryeburg, Harrison, Lovell,



Naples, Raymond, Sebago, Stow, Sweden and Waterford. Greater Bridgton Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce is an excellent resource for information on local activities and attractions. For more information visit: www.mainelakeschamber.com or (207) 647-3472.

Keep an eye on the website for news and updates about what's going on in Town!