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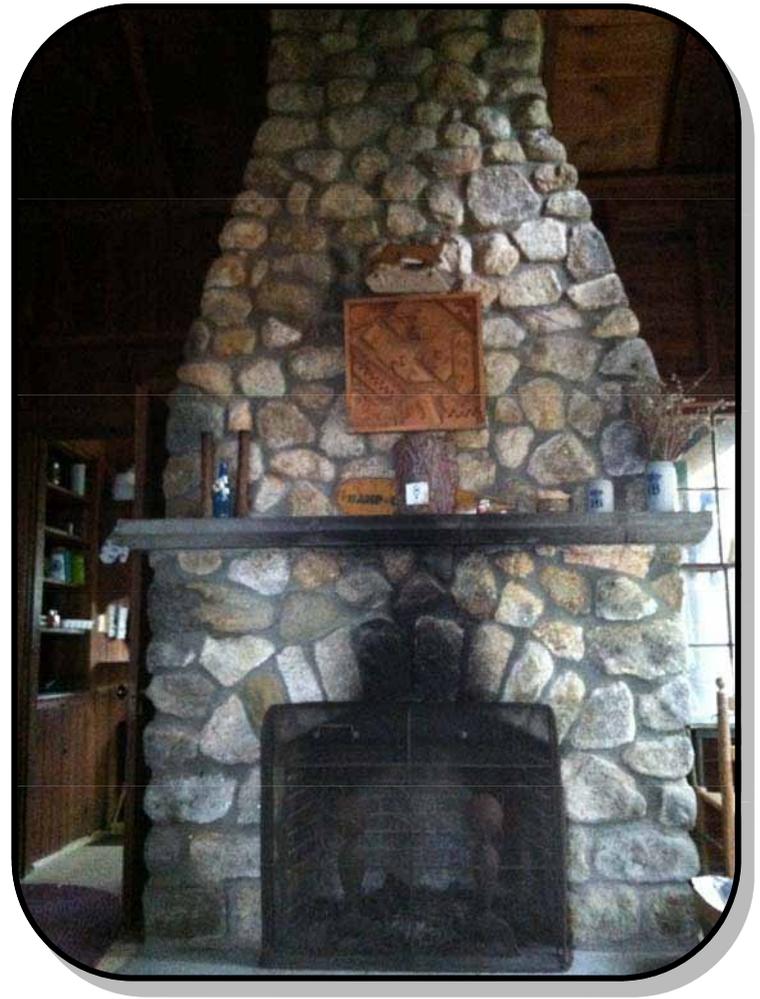
STONE FIREPLACES OF SEBAGO 2014

JANUARY 2014

Winnetka, below, a family cottage built for E J's brother Ray, is now used by O-At-Ka staff and also has a beautiful fireplace.



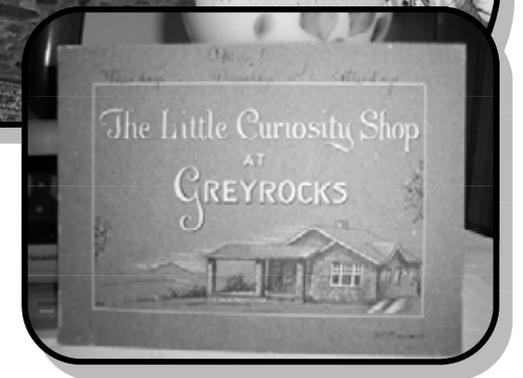
In 1906 Reverend E J Dennen bought land along the shores of Sebago Lake for a boys' camp which he named Camp O-At-Ka . The Bungalow, built in the spring of 1907 was the first new building erected on the site. It boasted a massive fireplace, rooms for the Dennen family upstairs and a living room and veranda for the campers' rooms and camp headquarters. Wendy Newcomb's watercolor of this living room, above, is pictured on the cover.



FEBRUARY 2014



GreyrockS was built in 1921 by Bertha Bascom, who had been summering at Chadbourne Cottage for many years. The meaning of The Little Curiosity Shop, as indicated by the sign at right, is unclear. When she died in the mid 1930's, Mrs Bascom gave Greyrocks to Grace Chadbourne Snow and her growing family. Grace was postmistress of the Douglas Hill Post Office, which was located in the front room. The cottage was owned for many years by Grace and Mark's daughter Edie, and is now owned by grandson Neal Snow.



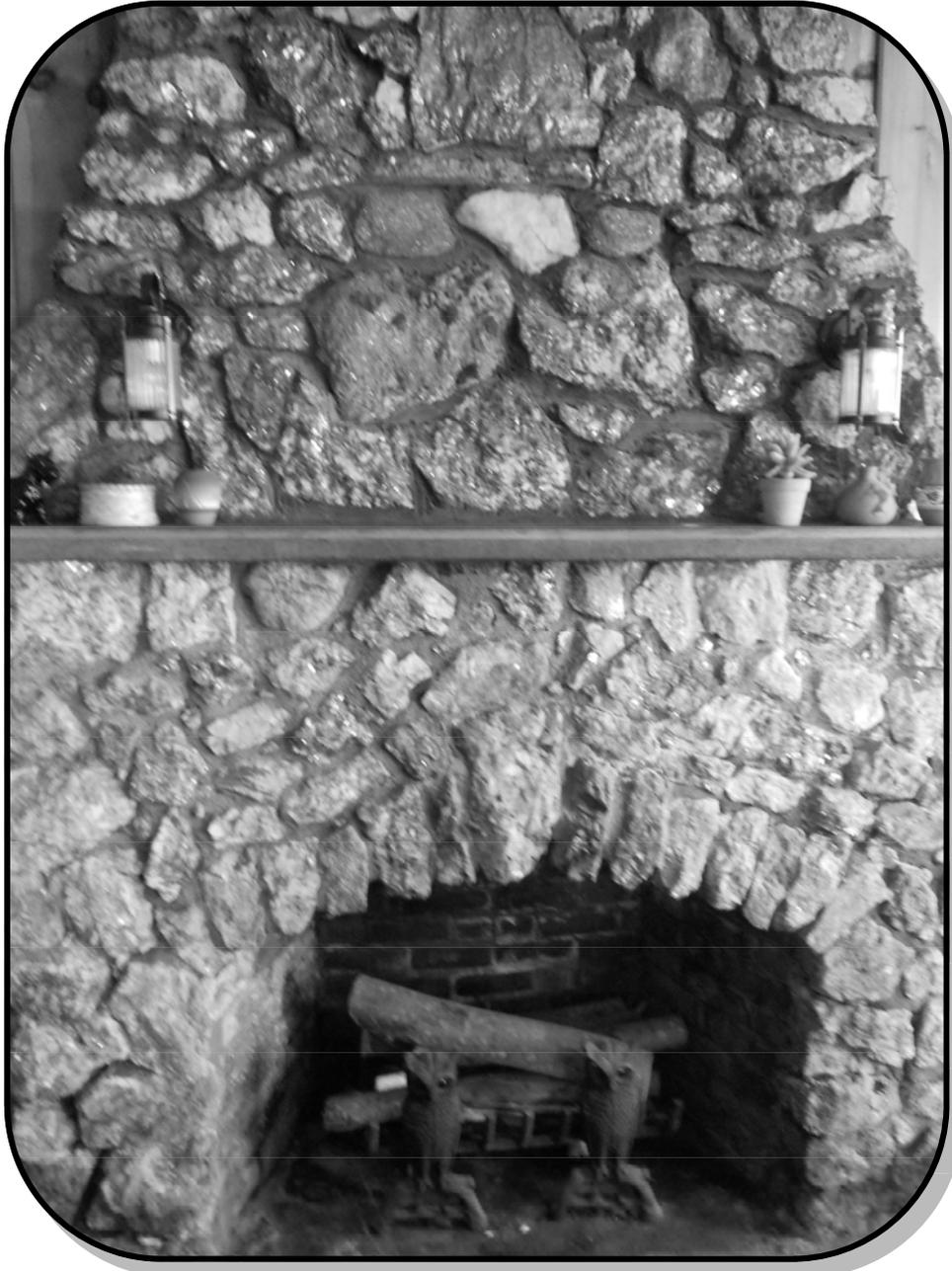
MARCH 2014

Clayton Barnes built this cottage on Naomi St in East Sebago and lived there with his family. This may be the first fireplace that he built, and Clayton's son Jack remembers his father kept a large rock pile of colorful semi precious stones in the yard of this cottage. It is now the Valentino home. The stone placement of pink quartz over the mantle resembles a butterfly's wings.



APRIL 2014

Richwood, named for Richard and Woody, sons of the first owners, Walter and Elsie Ray, is on Long Beach in East Sebago, neighborhood of many Barnes' fireplaces. The large stone at the top contains gold mica and the owl andirons were original to the fireplace and were in the house when the Hutchins family purchased it. The stonework on the outside chimney is equally beautiful.

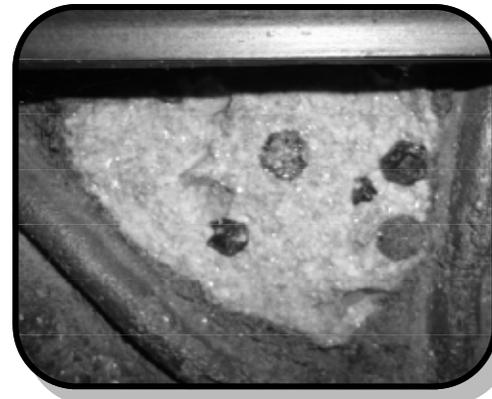


MAY 2014



The Nason home in North Sebago was once owned by Clayton Barnes. This fireplace, like most others built by Clayton, features pink mortar between the stones, pink quartz and black mica. The mantle edge contains many small colorful stones.

JUNE 2014



George Mullen built his home on Long Hill Rd. on land that he inherited from his grandfather George Crawford. While busy with his lumber business, he took time to gather unique stones, some of which had embedded garnets, and petrified wood. When he had enough stones, he created this work of art, which featured electric lights that were built in and were quite a novelty in 1939.

JULY 2014

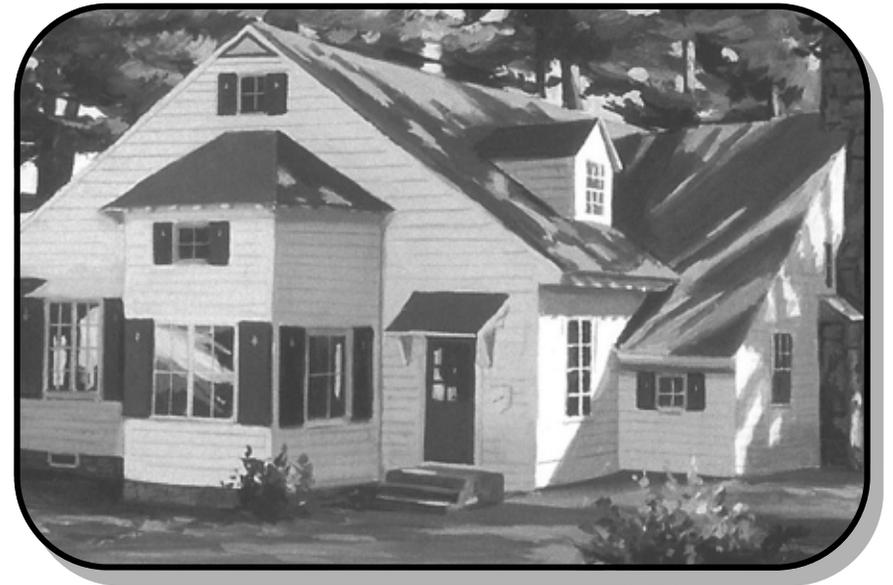


This summer home at the top of Douglas Mountain was built in 1915 for Mr William Stevens and his daughter Romiett. When the Morford family purchased it in the 1940's they named it Windfall. The fireplace, built by Charles Stuart of Hiram, with its recessed nook, is a key feature.

AUGUST 2014



The Great Hall was built to mark the 20th Anniversary of Camp O-At-Ka. Having grown from two groups of twenty boys from Lynn MA in its first year to 300 boys from all over the country, the camp needed an assembly hall large enough to accommodate campers, staff and visiting parents. Designed with a large fireplace, high ceiling and stage by architect John C Clapp, the Great Hall was dedicated in 1927. The painting below of the exterior of the Great Hall is by Wendy Newcomb.



September 2014



Rockcraft Lodge, the summer home of Leon and Dorothy Spaulding was built in 1917. They had been summer visitors to the Sebago area for at least 10 years before they bought 100 acres on the shores of Sebago Lake from the Fitch brothers for a dollar an acre. Italian stonemasons were brought in to construct all the stone work, which was made from local stone walls. Two massive fireplaces were built, one at each end of the 60' by 25' living room. The fireplaces included stones collected by the Spauldings in their travels: tourmaline, rose quartz, feldspar, garnets, fossils, and petrified wood. Dorothy is seated here in front of one of the fireplaces with a favorite dog.



OCTOBER 2014



This fireplace was built by Adrian Daigle on Peabody Pond in 1970, the date being set in stone in the center-piece below the mantle. He built his log cabin with the help of his brother in law, Ed Stevenson, who built his own next door. Adrian went to Vermont with his son Jeff and picked up a trailer load of large pieces of red, black and green granite. He then split all the stones by hand and matched them by size to create his fireplace. The chimney outside is fieldstone from the pit on the Peabody Pond Rd. Adrian was a hard worker all of his life, and didn't believe in sitting around just because he had reached the age of 93. There were still rocks to be found to put in his stone walls, he just needed a little help getting them placed.

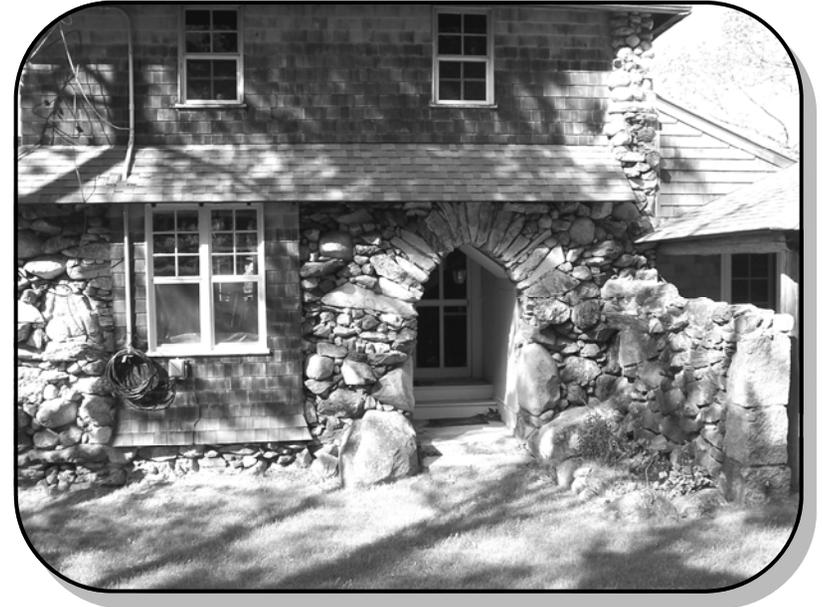
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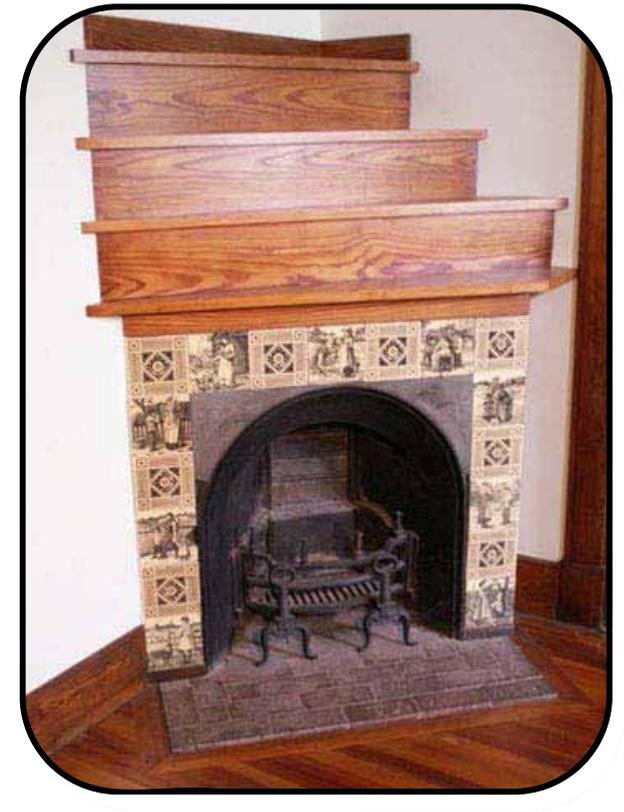
The Coburn home at the top of Winn Mountain, was built in the early 1800's. In 1852 John Winn of York moved here with his family of ten children. The great room has a huge beehive structure with Rumford fireplaces on three sides. These were designed to throw heat more efficiently than other styles

in use at the time. Count Rumford of Woburn MA was a Harvard school mate of Loammí Baldwin for whom the town of Baldwin ME was named. There is a massive granite lintel in the basement of the house which supports these fireplaces.

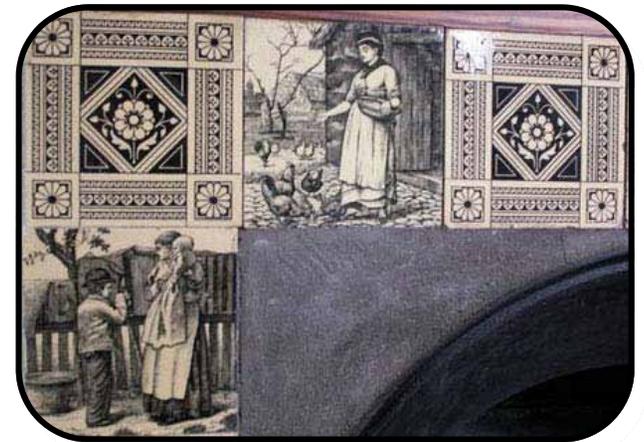
DECEMBER 2014



Made of local stone, Dr Blackman's house at the top of Douglas Mountain, named Breeze Lodge, was built in 1894 from plans by architect Wilson Eyre of Philadelphia. It features impressive stonework both inside and out. The massive fireplace has a mantel made from one large piece of granite. The outdoor fireplace, named the Belvedere, has stone seating and table, surrounded by a stone wall.



The Heath—Dolan house was built in 1904-05 for Mrs Mary Adams, who was forward enough in her thinking to have her deed worded “conveyed without interference from her husband”. The tiles in Mrs Adams entryway fireplace were lead glazed earthenware designed by William Wise for the Minton China Works ca 1879. He was inspired by Robert Hill’s book, “Etchings of Animals Drawn from Nature”. The dining room fireplace mantle is supported by wooden columns, and the living room fireplace has a step design built on the side.





The Hoglund's house on Douglas Mountain Rd was built around 1910 by Ed Douglas for the Patterson family, who were yearly patrons of the Douglas Inn. It is believed to be a kit house, which was popular during that time period. The bungalow style, with stone work on the porch was a common theme of kit homes. The fireplace and chimney both feature field stone with brick insets.



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