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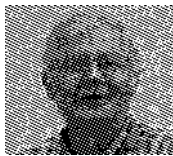
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## Celebrate Clean Water

On October 18, 2002, the nation will celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the enactment of the Clean Water Act. To commemorate the anniversary, the day has been declared National Water Monitoring Day. In celebration, volunteers throughout the country will collect and submit water quality data to the National Water Monitoring Day database. This is a great opportunity to show the country what lake stewardship means to Mainers! We hope all our volunteer monitors (who haven't migrated to warmer climates) will participate on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Since the weather doesn't always cooperate, all data collected between October 12<sup>th</sup> and October 27<sup>th</sup> will be submitted. If you would like to join in the celebration and monitor your lake or pond, contact us **prior** to October 18<sup>th</sup> to ensure that your site is registered for the event. The deadline for submitting data is October 27<sup>th</sup>, so please relay your results to us before then.

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## Thoughts from Your President

By: Peter Fischer

There is one particular joy of summer for me, and that is jumping in the water. My wife, dog, and I try to make a habit out of going swimming at the pond (the one I monitor – Boyd Pond) near our house everyday. When we fail, don't that dog give us the evil eye! I've always said that jumping in the water is like starting a new day. In fact, I have started a tradition where, on my way home from the VLMP annual meeting in June, I find a pond and jump in. This year it was Echo Lake (or Croched Pond) on the Fayette side. It made my day. That's why you're out there monitoring – so I can have the joy of jumping into lakes with great water quality. Hey, thanks!

Guess what? We now have our own day of recognition. October 18<sup>th</sup> has been declared (by whom, I don't know, Mother Nature maybe?) National Water Monitoring Day. That's us! So, I declare that on that day, you pat yourself on the back for the valuable grassroots environmental work that you all are doing.





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# Autumn hues...



The leaves are beginning to show a hint of color, marking the transition from summer to autumn. This past weekend, I walked the meadow paths and woodland trails of our saltwater farm in Boothbay, and I pondered the concept of stewardship. The farm has been in my husband's family since 1860, and we feel strongly that we are stewards of the property, with a duty to protect and preserve it for future generations.

My Microsoft Word thesaurus defines a steward as a keeper or guardian. That attitude is at the core of the VLMP's mission to protect Maine's lakes and to foster stewardship of the resources through education and outreach. Beyond and above the concept of ownership or possession, stewardship goes to the very heart of Maine's environmental ethic. Individually, we are compelled to protect the State's resources to ensure their healthy continuation for generations to come.

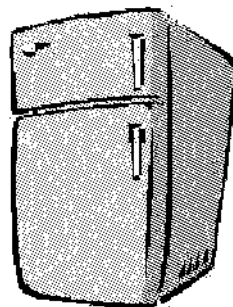
The strength of the VLMP community lies in this shared belief in the notion of stewardship and in our commitment to a healthy environment. Maine's 5,785 lakes and ponds are a valuable spiritual, economic, and recreational resource deserving of our guardianship and protection.

Enjoy the reflection of the brilliant autumn hues in the water this fall. Thank you for the work you do as a guardian and steward of Maine's lakes.



Becky Welsh  
Development Coordinator

## Wish List



For those of you who have spent any time in the VLMP office this summer, you may have noticed the scent of rotten eggs wafting about. That scent actually belongs to decaying plants. We desperately need a fridgerator to store our plants in... full size preferred, but any size will do.

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# Two new faces at the VLMP



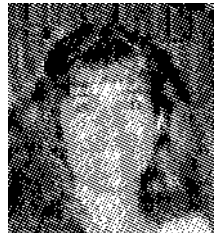
Although I've met or spoken to many of you, I thought I would take this opportunity to share with you why I applied for (and accepted) this position at the VLMP. Upon graduating from the University of Maine at Farmington with a

degree in Spatial Ecology, I dreamed of my favorite things, bundled them into one little package, and decided that what I "did" would somehow include a component of each...

My fondest memories as a child are those of my brother and me swimming, fishing and catching leeches on Mayfield Pond. Those days I'll never forget! As an adult, my interests have changed a bit. I now enjoy listening (and talking) to the loons, observing the mating behaviors of dragonflies and damselflies while paddling the lake shores, and simply enjoying the solitude of the lake.

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*Roberta Hill is an aquatic ecologist and environmental educator. She has had extensive experience with lake water quality protection and community outreach, serving as Education Coordinator and Assistant Director of the Lakes Environmental Association and, more recently, as the Environmental Education Coordinator for the Portland Water District.*



Greetings! I am honored and thrilled to be part of the VLMP. Honored to be working once again with volunteers, a special category of people whom I have long held in the highest esteem, and thrilled to be reconnecting with old friends and meeting many wonderful new people.

Right now, my work for the VLMP is primarily focused upon invasive species. I first became involved in this issue when I was at the Portland Water District. As part of the lake protection arm of the District, I initiated PWD's invasive aquatic species program, an effort that included mapping and monitoring known locations of variable watermilfoil in Sebago Lake, and providing education outreach to the lake communities. I also had the privilege of representing the District at the 2001 legislative hearings and helping to draft the Maine Water Utilities position paper on aquatic invasives.

Most of my time here this summer has been divided between two very interesting and rewarding tasks: identifying plants that have been collected by an increasingly wary and vigilant public, and providing Invasive Plant Patrol workshops to train volunteers to identify, and screen their lakes for, invasive plants. (Please see "Will You Know an Aquatic Invader . . . ?" on page 8.) I look forward to working with many of you in the months and years to come. I am here to serve you and assist you in your important work in any way I can. Please do not ever hesitate to contact me when the need arises, or, if no need arises, just to say hello!

I've long been drawn towards the outdoors, and it's not doubt that this attraction is responsible for my interest in the natural sciences. It was during my last year of school that I took a course in Aquatic Biology, where every week we spent a day on the lake doing water quality monitoring - it was perfect!

Along with my new found interest in limnology (the study of lakes), I of course wanted a position where I could utilize one of my best qualities... the gift of gab.

I've found my niche here at the VLMP. My first three months here have been wonderful! With each phone call or email, I'm in awe of your commitment to protect Maine's lakes. It is truly a gift to have the opportunity to work with such motivated volunteers!

I look forward to chatting with you all.

Stasia Savasuk, Program Assisant



# Lakeside Notes



## *VLMP staff changes*

Two new staff have joined the VLMP team. We are pleased to welcome Stasia Savasuk (Program Assistant), who began working with us in June, and Roberta Hill (Special Projects Coordinator). Both Stasia and Roberta are high-energy individuals who bring a lot of experience and enthusiasm to the program. If you have called the VLMP office recently, you probably had an opportunity to meet Stasia directly. And if you called, emailed, or wrote with questions concerning invasive aquatic plants, no doubt you were in touch with Roberta. We are very fortunate to have both of these talented individuals helping the VLMP to understand and protect Maine lakes.

## *The Summer In Revue:*

It's hard to believe that another season of lake monitoring is nearly finished. Where did summer go? It was great to meet many of you for the first time this summer, and equally wonderful to chat with old friends at the workshops and the Annual Meeting. Renewing old friendships has always been one of the most satisfying aspects of my work.

It seems like just a few days ago that we were preparing to train new volunteer monitors at the May workshops. While those events were taking place, we were also planning the Annual Meeting, coordinating Quality Control workshops, organizing Invasive Plant Patrol training sessions, and much more. Summer has been one hot, dry blur!

During that blur, the VLMP trained 56 new volunteer lake monitors from throughout Maine. (More information about the results of the monitoring season will be available in the next newsletter and in the Annual Report). In addition to training volunteer lake monitors, the VLMP trained about 250 volunteers to conduct surveys for invasive aquatic plants. Amidst all of this, the VLMP staff identified more

than 75 plant specimens that were brought or sent to the Turner office. At one point in July, the office was filled with bottles and baggies of plants from all parts of the state. We even received one unsolicited plant specimen from North Dakota (and it was an invasive species)!

All of this work was provided as a public service because we know that ultimately volunteers will not only provide us (you, me, our communities, the DEP, the USEPA, and many others) with invaluable data for Maine lakes and ponds, but they will also spend time actively protecting our lake resources through such activities as invasive plant screening surveys, working with students in their communities, serving as a resource for local planners, and much more.

As the season winds down, we have been reflecting on recent economic news, which has been dominated by discussions of budget shortfalls, stock market instability, and economic downturns. The VLMP is particularly sensitive to such discussion because it was during a similar economic slowdown about a decade ago that this program became the independent organization that it is today. As a result, the VLMP has an economic contingency plan, actually a secret weapon, that is quite effective in stretching limited resources during hard times. It's called collaboration – the formation of working partnerships. For more information about some of our most recent partnerships, see page 10. Peace to all!

Scott Williams, Executive Director



“The VLMP trained  
56 new volunteer lake  
monitors from  
throughout Maine in  
2002”

# Lake Lingo

The two terms discussed below relate to lake (and pond) "morphometry." Morphometry describes the physical aspects of the lake environment such as shape, depth and surface area.

## Fetch:

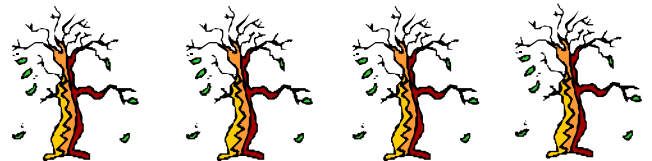
Fetch is a term that is often used by lake scientists (whether or not they are dog owners) to describe the distance or area of lake surface over which the wind may blow. Fetch is an important concept in limnology, as it plays a large role in determining how wind influences the lake physically, chemically and biologically.

Small sheltered ponds that are more or less round in shape typically have a short fetch, whereas larger bodies of water that are oriented in such a way that prevailing winds can blow over the surface for a long distance are said to have a long fetch. If the shoreline is exposed to a long fetch, the erosive effects of large waves is likely to be greater than it would be in a sheltered cove with very little fetch. In this way, fetch plays a role in the export of shoreline soil particles and nutrients to the lake.

Fetch influences the seasonal timing and the extent of the mixing of lake water, and thus has a strong bearing on many of the biological and chemical processes that occur in lake water. The longer the fetch, the more wind energy is transferred to the water surface, resulting in greater mixing of atmospheric gases (such as carbon dioxide and oxygen) into the water.

## Bathymetry:

A lake bathymetric map is used to record and display lake depths as contours in much the same way that a topographic map displays contour elevations of the land surface. Bathymetric maps are useful for many purposes, including surface navigation, recreation (fishing & swimming), invasive plant surveys, and of course, lake monitoring (how else would you be able to find the "deep hole"?). Accurate information about lake depth is important to people who study lakes for many reasons. For example, biologists use depth, along with water quality data, to determine the extent to which lakes and ponds are able to support a coldwater fishery. Water depth is also a major factor in determining whether or not, and to what extent a lake stratifies during the summer. The amount of water (volume) contained in a lake basin is determined from depth data, and volume is used to determine the rate at which a lake flushes (flushing is often expressed as the number of times per year that the total volume of the lake is replaced).



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## !! Volunteer Reminder !!

Be sure to submit your data to your Regional Coordinator when you are through monitoring for this season. If you do not submit your data by November 25, it may not be published in the Annual Report!

# The 2002 Maine Lakes Conference

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The VLMP joined forces this year with COLA to present the 2002 Maine Lakes Conference. The Conference and VLMP Annual Meeting took place on Saturday, June 22 at the University of Maine/Farmington campus. In the spirit of collaboration, the organizations pooled their resources and attracted a distinguished array of speakers and workshop presenters from around the state.

The Keynote Speaker was Katherine Webster, Professor of Limnology at the University of Maine in Orono, who discussed the impact of climatic changes on Maine's lakes and ponds.

John McPhedran, the Invasive Aquatic Species Coordinator for the Maine DEP, presented a draft of Maine's Comprehensive Invasive Aquatic Species Management Plan. This was a unique opportunity for those present to hear and comment on the proposed plan.

Four concurrent tracks of breakout sessions focused on a variety of issues of interest to volunteers and lake associations. Topics included Invasive Aquatic Species (Plant Identification and Boat Inspection Procedures); Land Use/Regulation (Demystifying Lake Protection Regulations and LakeScaper Program); Water Quality (What's Under the Surface and Becoming a Certified Volunteer Lake Monitor); and Building an Effective Organization (Increasing membership and Building Regional Alliances).

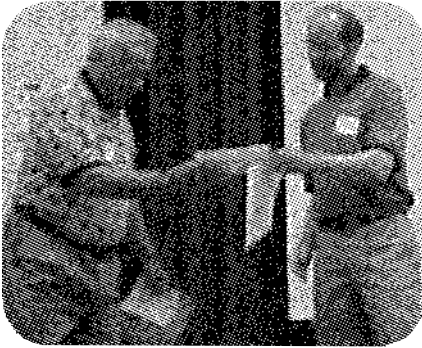
Both VLMP and COLA held their annual meetings during the day with special presentations recognizing the extraordinary efforts of the many volunteers who dedicate themselves to protecting our lakes.

The response to the 2002 Maine Lakes Conference was overwhelmingly positive. It was a full and informative day. The University did a wonderful job providing scrumptious treats and a delicious lunch cook-out. Thank you to everyone who took part and made this Conference a success.





# Volunteer Recognition at the 2002 Maine Lakes Conference



George Cross  
10 Years



Dave & Eileen Burnell  
25 Years



Will Reid  
20 Years

*“These individuals have made a noble commitment for the sake of Maine lakes and ponds. All of us who enjoy the qualities of Maine lakes are indebted to them.”*

Scott Williams  
Executive Director

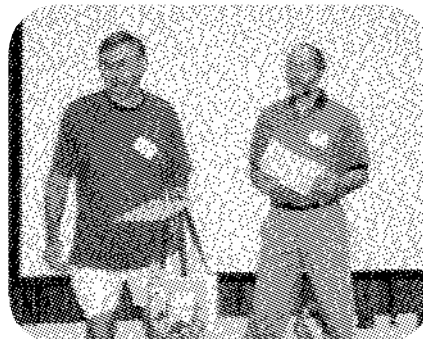


Ken Holt  
Volunteer of the Year

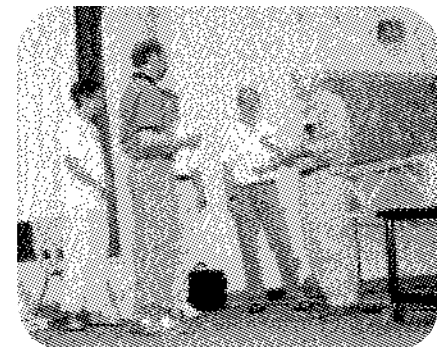
*These are only a few of the many volunteers who were recognized for their long time commitment to monitoring and protecting Maine Lakes.*



Pam Wilkinson  
10 Years



Tom Hannula  
30 Years



Frank Perkins (right)  
25 Years

# Will You Know an Aquatic Invader When You See One??

Perhaps it is Time for You to Join the Invasive Plant Patrol!

By Roberta Hill

Much work is being done at the state and local level to prevent the spread of invasive plants into Maine's lakes, ponds and streams. *Prevention* of the spread of these organisms through raising public awareness, providing courtesy boat inspections, adopting a comprehensive invasive species action plan, etc. is—and should be—our major goal right now.

But one invader, variable milfoil, is here in Maine already, and other even more aggressive aliens are poised just beyond our borders. While there is much that we can do to defend Maine's water resources from the threat of invasive aquatic plants, realistically speaking, it is doubtful that we will be able to create an armor that is 100 % effective and maintain it indefinitely. In the event that an invader does manage to slip through the cracks and take up residence in your lake, your best hope for eradicating it, or at least managing it in an environmentally sound manner, is *early detection*.

***“High Caliber Presenters!!! Great hands-on plant ID experience!!”***

Cobboossee workshop participant

That is where the VLMP's Invasive Plant Patrol training comes in. Over the past two summers we have trained just over 500 volunteers to keep a careful watch over the plant communities in their lake, pond or stream, and a wary eye out for any suspicious characters. The VLMP's new [A Field Guide to Invasive Aquatic Plants](#) provides a handy (and waterproof) resource for these newly trained patrollers.

The basic workshop training is comprised of three sections: an overview of the invasive aquatic species threat in Maine and beyond; training and hands-on practice in aquatic plant identification; and instruction for con-



*Volunteers participate in the hands-on section of an Invasive Plant Patrol workshop.*

ducting an invasive plant screening survey. The workshops have been extremely well received by participants, and we have received many excellent ideas for improving and extending the training next year. Two com-

ments, in particular, have come up again and again. People would like to have more hands-on time with the plants, and many would like to participate in more advanced training out in the field. We are already working on ways to incorporate these elements, and others, into the 2003 IPP training program.



*Divers receive instruction on the hand removal of variable water milfoil at a VLMP workshop held at Sebago Lake State Park.*

One extension we did pilot this year was a session for SCUBA divers. After attending the basic IPP training, divers were given detailed instruction on the systematic hand removal of variable milfoil. They then suited up for some first-hand experience, “bagging milfoil” at the Sebago Lake State Park boat launch. Our special thanks to Doug Faille from Cushman Pond, who provided the diver instruction, to the folks at Sebago Lake State Park who graciously hosted the event, to the DEP who sponsored and

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assisted with the event, and to our friends at WCSH Channel 6 for the excellent news coverage. Thanks also, to those of you who have taken the time to "report in" on your IPP findings and screening survey data. We are extremely impressed (but not really surprised) by the excellence and level of your commitment to this



*Channel 6 TV covering the hands-on portion of a plant patrol workshop*

endeavor. Your baseline data and ever-growing expertise will be increasingly valuable as we move forward.

Over the winter, we will be developing our training schedule for the 2003 season. If you or a group you represent is interested in sponsoring a workshop, please contact me as soon as possible at 225-2070 or [vlmp@megalink.net](mailto:vlmp@megalink.net).



## Pioneering LakeMAP

*This September the VLMP worked with science teacher Ned Hatfield, from Bonny Eagle High School to bring a unique lake-centered learning experience to his students. The program included three hours of in class training, in which students were introduced to some of the threats to Maine lakes such as polluted stormwater runoff and invasive plants. The culminating event was a bright, beautiful day on Watchic Lake with our hosts for the day, VLMP monitors, David and Eileen Burnell. This special collaboration with BEHS and the Burnells provided an excellent opportunity to pilot some of the elements to be included in the upcoming VLMP LakeMAP (Lake Monitors Apprentice Program). The project was funded by the Maine Coalition for Excellence in Education.*

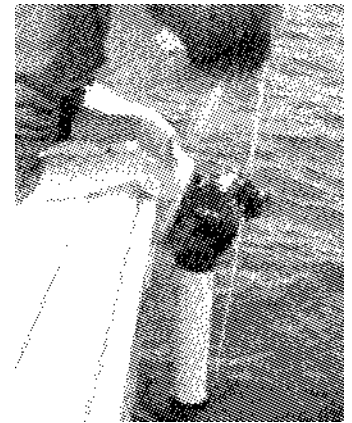
### **Our Day on Watchic Lake**

by Rachel Jones, BEHS

At 9 o'clock on Friday morning, Mr. Hatfield's sleepy students piled into a bus on its way to Watchic Lake. We arrived at the Burnell's camp, where the Burnells and Roberta Hill greeted us warmly as we walked off the bus. After a brief description of the day's events we boarded a pontoon boat and met Ben Tripp, our captain for the day. The lake was choppy and we knew this would make for tricky lake testing. Our destination was the deep hole of the lake, where we put out the anchor and set to work. Each eager student took turns recognizing the change of dissolved oxygen levels and temperature from the epilimnion through the thermocline to the very bottom of the hypolimnion.

We hovered mere inches from the cool water to watch the secchi disk disappear, reappear and disappear one final time to measure water clarity. We then took core and grab samples for measuring algae and phosphorus levels in the water. On our way back to camp, we carefully hung over the side of the boat with garden rakes, like extensions of our arms with giant fingers to collect some bottom dwelling plants. We all had a chance to snag a plant, then listened as Roberta explained what they were and how they fit into the lake ecosystem. We saved the plants in a bucket for pressing later on.

After lunch, we went to one of the lake inlets to collect more plants and survey a near-shore area. One of our goals of the day was to help the VLMP and the Watchic Lake



Association create an aquatic plant herbarium collection for the lake. We also compared upland soils to wetland soils and shoreline duff to the stream detritus. As a final activity for the day, we set out into the marshy goo at the edge of the stream to find bugs and other wildlife.

Later, with all of us smelling of sulfur, decaying plants and bugs, we piled onto the bus and headed back to school. We had an excellent time on Watchic Lake and learned much more than we would have sitting in a classroom. On behalf of the class, I'd like to thank everyone involved in the field trip for a wonderfully educational day out on the lake!



# Forging New Partnerships

## The Key to Protecting Maine Lakes

Establishing partnerships is an essential long-term strategy for lake protection. Collaboration allows us to share technical, financial, and human resources. Toward that end, the VLMP entered into three new partnerships during the summer of 2002.

### RLHT

The Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust (RLHT) is an organization that was formed to protect a group of extraordinarily beautiful lakes in Western Maine. Last summer the VLMP and RLHT staff developed and implemented a lake monitoring program for fifteen lakes in the Rangeley region. Sixteen new volunteers were trained, in addition to three existing volunteer monitors from the area who were already providing data to the VLMP. The VLMP staff provided the primary training at the day-long (perhaps we should say “long-day”) workshop in June. Many of the Rangeley crew were trained to conduct advanced lake monitoring. RLHT staff assisted with the training, and will serve as the local coordinator and technical support for the volunteers. They will also coordinate future training workshops and assist with some quality control aspects of data management, including the initial digitization of the volunteer data.

We are particularly grateful to RLHT’s Shelby Rousseau, who recruited and coordinated the volunteers, and to Rebecca Kurtz, who is working with Shelby. The RLHT office space in Oquossic was a beautiful setting for the morning orientation meeting. The afternoon (and early evening) field session was held on nearby Rangeley Lake.

As a result of this major local effort, we are now receiving data from more lakes in the Rangeley region than ever before. A list of the volunteers and their lakes can be found in the “New Volunteer Monitors” section of this newsletter. Thanks to all at the Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust, and to our new volunteer lake monitors!



*Joan Noyes, a new volunteer monitor on Dodge Pond in Rangeley, Maine, collects a phosphorus sample*

### WMUA

The Maine Water Utilities Association (MWUA) is a statewide non-profit organization that works to enhance public health, safety, and welfare by advocating for safe drinking water. The VLMP teamed-up with the MWUA to conduct two workshops for water utility employees. These workshops consisted of two components. The first provided attendees with an overview of the process of lake water quality monitoring. A synopsis of lake ecology was preceded by a hands-on demonstration of water quality monitoring methods and procedures and much discussion about quality control. The afternoon session involved training to identify invasive aquatic plants, including information about conducting plant screening surveys.

The August 15<sup>th</sup> workshop was held on Lake Auburn, courtesy of the Lewiston-Auburn Water District. Our hosts provided us with a fine pontoon boat, which served as our classroom and laboratory. The weather was scorching, but the boat’s awning provided welcome shade. The afternoon session was held at the nearby Auburn Land Lab headquarters.

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On August 28, the Kennebec Water District hosted the second workshop on China Lake. The District provided the group with boats and a great facility for the afternoon session. Many of the participants at this session had never seen a severe algal bloom on a eutrophic lake, and China Lake provided them with that opportunity! The lake was noticeably green, with a Secchi disk reading of less than two meters.

The goal of the MWUA workshop was to establish a working relationship with professionals who are actively monitoring lakes as part of their work. Standardization of procedures and quality control are important parts of the process of ensuring that the information we (collectively) are gathering can be used not only by individual organizations, but also by those who benefit from seeing data from other resources.

Special thanks to Jeff McNelly, Executive Director of the Maine Water Utilities Association, Mary Jane Dillingham, Water Quality Manager for the Lewiston-Auburn Water District, and Jon Van Borg of the Kennebec Water District for their efforts in this collaboration!



*Folks from the Maine Water Utilities Association head onto the lake for their training session aboard this luxury floating learning center/laboratory (aka: pontoon boat).*



*Roberta Hill guides workshop attendees from MWUA and the Auburn Land Lab in the identification of invasive (and look alike) plants.*

### **MSTP & Auburn Land Lab**

On August 20<sup>th</sup> the VLMP collaborated with the Maine Stream Team Program (MSTP) and the Auburn Land Lab to conduct a workshop entitled: “Stream Surveys in Lake Watersheds.” The workshop was a modification of a traditional lake watershed survey workshop in that the focus was on using streams as indicators of pollution from development in the watershed. The well-attended workshop included an indoor discussion of watershed and NPS concepts, followed by site visits to two streams in the Lake Auburn watershed.

This was the first joint workshop of the VLMP and the MSTP. The Auburn Land Lab is an environmental learning center that is part of the Auburn school system’s science program. The Land Lab helped with the planning and organization of the workshop, and provided a great facility for the indoor session. Thanks to Jeff Varricionne of the MSTP and Patty Goudreau of the Auburn Land Lab for helping to launch this new concept in lake watershed surveys!



“Last week I attended one of the greatest water quality classes that I have been to. Since that time, I have become very interested in your program, and would like to be a certified volunteer monitor.”

Peter Brady, Long Pond Water District

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# Three Cheers for New Volunteers



*Sue Motley, a new volunteer lake monitor on Quimby Pond in the Rangeley Lakes Region*

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Jonathan Adkins, Mooselookmeguntic - RLHT  
Hope & Jerry Bates, Whetstone Pond - Piscataquis  
Polly & Don Bishop, Walker Pond - Hancock  
Victor Borko, Gull Pond - RLHT  
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Walter Daisy, Mooselookmeguntic - RLHT  
Luke DeDominici, Lake George - Lake George Regional Park  
Linda Dexter, Haley Pond - RLHT  
Patti Ann Douglas, Sand Pond - Oxford  
David Droin, Parlin Pond - Somerset  
Sue Glann, No Name Pond - Androscoggin  
Wing Goodall, numerous ponds - Biodiversity Research Institute  
Donna Heavel, Moose Pond - Oxford  
Don Holden, Ossipee Lake (Little) - York  
Leeanna Hutchings, Little Pond - Lincoln  
Richard Jaques, Parlin Pond - Somerset  
George Kelley, Tripp Lake - Androscoggin  
Craig Killingbeck, Great Pond & Long Pond - Kennebec

Georgie Kendall, Boyden Lake - Washington  
Amy Kimball, Raymond Pond - Cumberland  
Oksana Lane, numerous ponds - Biodiversity Research Institute  
Shari Latulippe, Georges Pond & Great Pond - Hancock  
Chip Liversidge, Loon Lake - RLHT  
Bob Mansfield, Ossipee Lake (Little) - York  
David Manter, Hales Pond - Kennebec  
Rene Mathieu, Basin Pond & David Pond - Kennebec  
Melissa Duron Morin, numerous ponds - Biodiversity Research Institute  
Sue Motley, Quimby Pond - RLHT  
Kristen Platt, Alewife Pond & Swan Pond - York  
Mike Rancourt, No Name Pond - Androscoggin  
Jasmine Redlevske, Lake George - Lake George Regional Park  
Seth Richards, Mooselookmeguntic - RLHT  
Ronald "Tinker" Richards, Schoodic Lake - Piscataquis  
Linda Robertson, Sandy River Pond (Upper) - RLHT  
Shelby Rousseau, Mooselookmeguntic - RLHT  
Robert Eric Sievert, Loon Pond - York  
Don Stanley, Damariscotta Lake - Lincoln  
Chuck Stone, Little Sebago - Cumberland  
Gail Swinney, Beaver Mountain Lake - RLHT  
Bob & Patty Sylvia, Round Pond - RLHT  
Dave Thompson, Little Pond - Lincoln  
David Trask, Indian Pond - Somerset  
Tonya Troiani, Pleasant Lake - Washington  
Willis White, Kennebago - RLHT  
Verna Wilson, Mattanawcook Lake, Endless Lake - Penobscot

## Thank you!

We would like to thank the Bear Pond Association for their most generous donation of a YSI 51A Dissolved Oxygen meter!

Please let us know if you were certified for the first time in 2002 and are not mentioned on this list.



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# W a n t e d

Volunteer Regional Coordinators are wanted for:  
Aroostook, Kennebec, Piscataquis and Washington Counties

Responsibilities:

Communicating with VLMP staff in the coordination of certification and training workshops

Keeping all contact information for volunteers up to date

Managing the transfer of data between volunteers and Data Coordinators

Mailing all data sheets and the disk to the VLMP office in the fall

A Volunteer Data Coordinator is wanted for:  
Knox County

Responsibilities:

Entering Data



If you take the challenge, your picture will be placed in the winter newsletter!!