

Long Point On Lake Chautauqua STATE PARK



Bemus Point, New York

Facilities

- 360 Acres
- Day-Use Park/No Camping Cabins
- Swimming
- Boat Launching Site
- Picnicking
- Reservable Shelters
- Hiking Trails
- Biking Trails
- Playfields
- Playgrounds
- Beach-Bathhouse Complex
- Marina—Seasonal & Transient Boat Slips
- Snack Bar
- Gas, Fishing & Marine Supplies
- Kayak rentals

Winter Activities

- Ski Touring
- Snowmobiling
- Winter Fishing
- Snowshoeing

“Carry In-Carry Out” Parks

Our facilities are designated “Carry In-Carry Out.” Please take your trash and recyclables home with you for proper disposal. .



Accessible parking spaces and restrooms are available. Contact the park office for specific information.

**Long Point on Lake Chautauqua
State Park**
4459 Route 430
Bemus Point, NY 14712
(716) 386-2722

IN AN EMERGENCY

Park Police.....716-354-9111
Police, Ambulance, Fire.....911

Special Passes

The **Access Pass** is available to New Yorkers with qualifying disabilities. The **Golden Park Program** allows New York State residents 62 years of age or older unlimited weekday and non-holiday access to all state parks by showing a NYS driver’s license or non-driver identification. The **Empire Pass** provides unlimited vehicle entry to most state parks and recreation areas. Passes can be purchased in person at most state parks or recreation areas, or by mail from State Parks, Albany, NY 12238.



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Our Park’s Story

Long Point, one of the moraines left by the retreating glaciers, encompasses many acres of sylvan beauty extending peninsula-like into Chautauqua Lake where its waters are the deepest. The picturesque trail to the Point passes through thickly wooded areas of beech, maple, spruce, poplar and stately oak.

Few places were held in such high affection by the ladies and gentlemen of yesteryear as the site of Long Point on Lake Chautauqua State Park. The site of the park flourished as an ideal and favorite picnic grounds in the days of the silk hat and horse and carriage, when steamboats plied the Chautauqua Lake waters in keen competition, in the late 1800’s.

To its shores, by steamships which pulled up to its dock every hour, came as many as 10,000 persons for one event. Since the grounds, long ago retired into the austerity of a magnificent private estate, the descendants of these same beaux and belles have pointed out the spot to children, grandchildren and great grandchildren with nostalgic accounts of former picnic days.

Two large property donations were instrumental in the establishment of this park. John and Cecile Gifford Minturn gave their summer home and Long Point proper to the state in 1956. A gift by Mrs. Bainbridge Colby (wife of Mr. Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State under Woodrow Wilson) in 1961 added additional land to this park.

Additional land purchases and extensive development have transformed this park into a most popular day-use park.

The Chautauqua Institute, one of this nation’s leading summer cultural centers, is located on the western shore of Chautauqua Lake, northwest of Long Point State Park.

Chautauqua Lake is 18 miles long and 1,308 feet above sea level, one of the highest navigable bodies of water on this continent. It is noted for its muskellunge fishing.

Enjoy your visit to Long Point on Lake Chautauqua Lake State Park. If you have questions about our rules, or just need more information, contact the Park Manager, who will be glad to help you.

Caution: Poison Ivy

Watch for and avoid the glossy green compound leaves with three leaflets. It usually grows as a vine on trees, but may also be encountered as low growth.

Good Park Manners

Each Park visitor is asked to treat his or her fellow visitors with courtesy, and the park with respect. Some guidelines for good park manners:

- Many visitors pass through each year. Please don’t harm the trees, flowers, or wildlife; others want to enjoy the park as much as you do.
- Your pet is welcome, but please keep it on a leash and under control at all times.

• Swimming is limited to the beach area, and only when lifeguards are on duty.

• Access by boat is via the marina only, beaching of water craft on park shores is not permitted.

• Park vehicles only in designated areas, please stay off road shoulders and lawns.

• **NO CAMPING ALLOWED.**

• A 15 MPH speed limit is posted for the safety of all, and is strictly enforced.

Boat Launch and Marina

The park’s boat launch is the most modern on Lake Chautauqua, and provides boating enthusiasts water access to Midway State Park, local attractions and all other facilities along Lake Chautauqua Shoreline.



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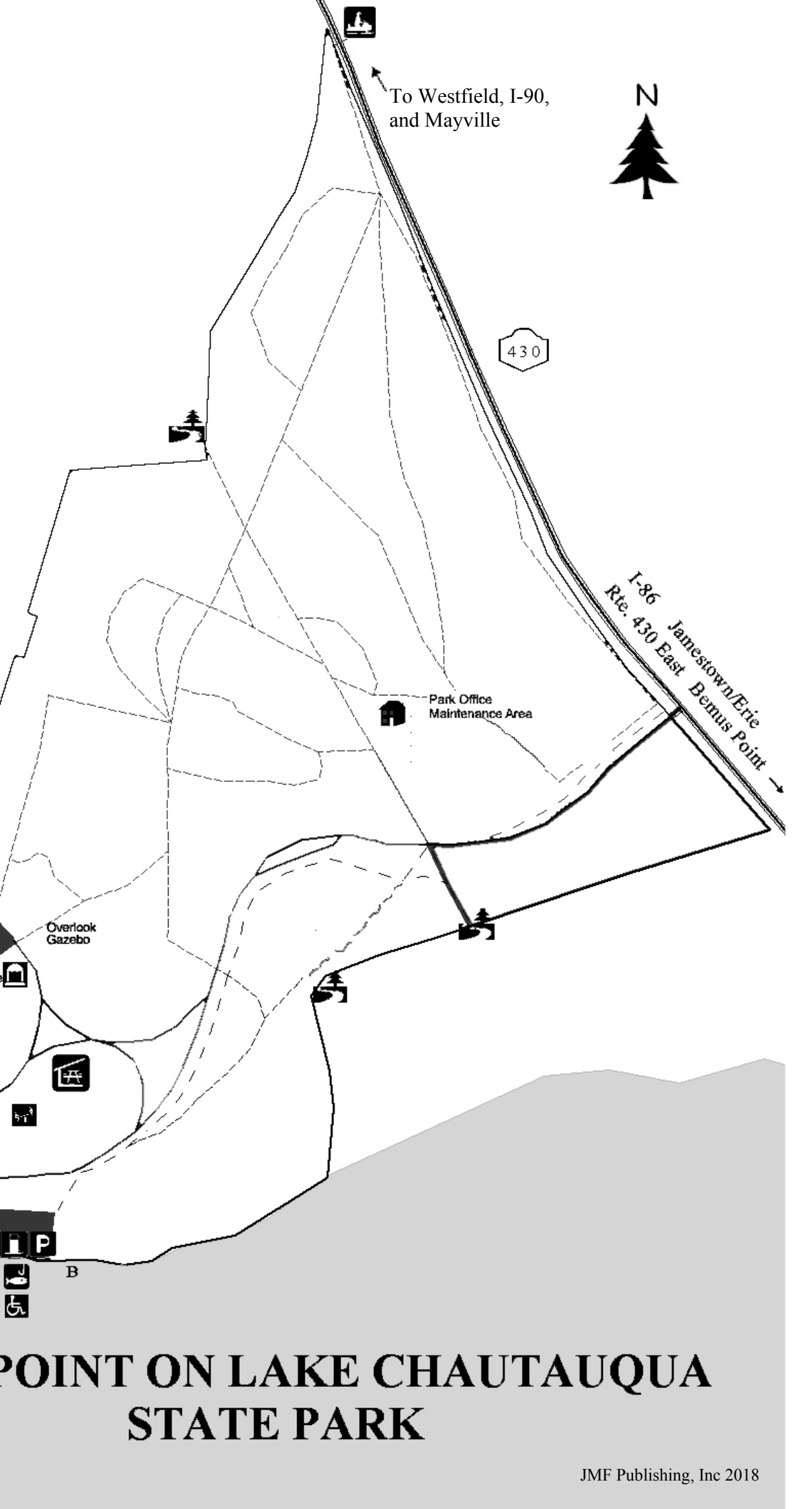
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- Park Boundary
 - Roads
 - State DOT Bike Trail
 - Multi-use Trail
 - Bike Trail
 - Snowmobile Trail Access
 - Gate
 - Picnic Pavillion
 - Fishing Access
 - Beach
 - Marine Pumpout
 - Interpretive Sign Trail
 - Boat Launch
 - Handicap Access
 - Parking
 - Playground
 - Volley Ball Court
 - Gazebo
 - Toilets
 - Snack Bar
 - Gas Sales