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## Hot Items

### Don't Miss Founder's Day

New events, new location!! See page 3 for all the details.

### JSS Year-End Activities

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## Principal's Corner

By: Norma Richard

As this school year comes to a close, it is time to review our many successes and accomplishments, as well as to look forward to meeting future goals for both the current K-6 school and the future elementary and middle schools. I am especially proud of the work of the professional faculty this year in revising the curriculum to meet the standards mandated in Maine's Learning Results. The School Committee approved the completed science and art curriculums this year. We are currently finishing revisions in the areas of social studies and physical education. Next year's focus will include the mathematics curriculum. This is important work for the faculty, and I applaud the leadership of teachers serving on the Curriculum Council, chaired by Terry Taiani.

Jordan-Small students and families

opened their hearts and their homes to students from Anguilla in April. This international exchange was a unique and wonderful opportunity for the entire school as we opened our school to students from another country, getting to know both them and ourselves better in the process. The Anguilla exchange was a highlight of our year as it impacted all levels of the school and Raymond community. Most importantly, it demonstrated to our students that diversity in others, from beyond Raymond, Maine, and even the United States, celebrates the uniqueness in each of us, and that children share more similarities than differences, no matter where they live.

The reenergizing of the Raymond PTA provided a much appreciated spark for children and staff throughout this school year. The energy of the PTA officers and committee chairs, including Jerilyn

Ward, Lisa Schadler, Cathy Dodge, Elisa Trepanier, Julie Orsini, Jo Martyn-Fisher, Heidi Trickey, and Shari Reed, has spearheaded a number of exciting and very successful activities. Their public support of our school staff, complete with flowers during the December holidays, and a whole host of special treats during Teacher Appreciation Week in May is greatly appreciated and valued. I look forward to their continuing involvement at Jordan-Small, including their participation in the Innisbrook fund raiser in September.

Next year will be both an exciting and extremely busy one for administration and staff as we finalize plans for moving into the new elementary school, and develop programming for the new middle school. We will be

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## School Committee Approves Busing

At its March meeting, the Raymond School Committee voted to provide transportation for Raymond students attending Poland schools. Since the Poland schools will follow a different schedule than our current tuition schools, there will be a need for some accommodations in busing.

It is important that parents and students are aware of the proposed busing plans for Poland. These plans are based on our existing resources and the overall schedule demands from all other schools, including Jordan-Small.

It is anticipated that Poland students will be picked up in the morning at the same time as all other receiving schools. Buses will converge at Mill Street, and students will be transferred to appropriate buses. Although Poland students may arrive a few minutes before the opening of school, we have discussed this with the Poland administration and it will not pose a problem.

The afternoon transportation creates a different problem. Schools will be dismissed at 2:30 PM in Poland. A Raymond

bus will be available to transport students at that time, but it will not be possible to go directly to students' homes. The Poland bus will return to Jordan-Small, and students will be transferred to appropriate buses to be transported home with our elementary students. We understand that this will make for a longer time between dismissal and arriving home for those students attending Poland schools. But, as stated, given the available resources, this is our most viable option. A revised Raymond busing schedule will be available prior to the opening of school.

## Board of Selectmen Announce Local Scholarship Awards

The Board of Selectmen carefully reviewed the 1999 applications for the Carleton E. Edwards Scholarship and the Collins - Day Scholarship.

Upon careful consideration, they selected Shirley Jean Palmer of North Raymond Road to receive the \$500 Carleton E. Edwards Scholarship. The Carleton E. Edwards Scholarship is given to one student who is enrolled in a four-year college degree program. Carleton E. Edwards was known, among other things, for his endless dedication as

a Selectman for the Town of Raymond. The Board felt that Ms. Palmer will provide an example to other students that an eagerness to learn and excel along with a positive attitude will lead to success. Ms. Palmer will attend the University of Maine in Orono where she will study accounting.

Also under careful consideration, the Board of Selectmen selected Katie Lynn Murray to receive the \$500 Ruth Day and Anna Collins Scholarship. Ruth Day and Anna Collins took an active interest in

the youth of Raymond. To perpetuate their ideals of character and scholarship excellence, they left a fund for annual awards to Raymond residents wishing to pursue higher learning, who exemplified scholarship and character of the highest order. The Board felt that Ms. Murray's educational attainments, extra curricular activities and displayed leadership will lead to a successful experience where she will be attending college. Ms. Murray will be attending Castleton State College in Vermont.

## We're Blazing New Trails!

We'd like to invite everyone to join us on Founder's Day when we open two new trails! This year we'll be touring North & East Raymond to explore sites linked with Raymond's agricultural and cultural past. We've also added an 'Architectural Tour' of Raymond, which will highlight the architectural styles most commonly found in our community. Both promise to be an exciting experience for young and old alike.

A tremendous thank you and heartfelt appreciation to all of you who participated in our raffle of the History Trail Quilt. It was a huge success and will allow us to complete two new quilts next year!

We were very proud to present our work at two recent conferences; one in Bethel involving the Rural Challenge Initiative's efforts with the Annenberg Grant (USM); the other took place in Rockland at Maine Preservation's Annual Conference (which, we understand, the Govern-

nor attended). Jordan Small students have represented our community in grand style!

Please join us if you can on **Founder's Day, Sat., June 26**. There will be one trail in the morning and one in the afternoon. Looking forward to seeing you there!

(You can also visit us on the Raymond Website. Trail # 1 is up and running. We're hoping to have the others up and running during the summer.)

## Raymond Village Library

Reminders for everyone to mark their calendars for the busy upcoming summer months. Annual Banquet and Meeting: for the Library Club. Held on Thursday, June 3 at 6:30. This includes the election of officers. The club always welcomes new members.

Annual Library Fair: Held at Jordan Small School on July 10 from 8 am to 1 PM. There will be something for everyone. An Attic Table with inexpensive treasures, a Plant Table with plants to accent your home or garden, at reasonable prices. A children's table will have a variety of used clothing and

toys. There will be lots of paperback books for sale and a "Cookie Walk" to give you a chance to try one of each or all of the same kind of cookies. The ever popular Bake Table will have homemade bread, desserts and other goodies. There will be Logo items for sale as well as a Raffle for those of you who love to take a chance and the Silent Auction with items and services.

Breakfast and luncheon food will be available, so please plan to attend and find some great deals and just have a real good time.

Patrons wishing to donate items for the Fair, such as empty coffee cans, books, and attic table items, may leave them at the library or call the

library at 655-4283 to have them picked up.

**Hardcover Books Sale** starts Saturday, July 17 at 10 a.m. and continues through August. A really great way to build up your personal library with lots of books from which to choose.

**The reading Group** will not be meeting during the summer months. Look for news in the Fall for the dates, times, and titles as we continue with this fun group.

## Raymond Casco Historical Society

The Raymond Casco Historical Society has met with the students of Jordan Small School who have lent their information about their History Trail. The Society is very excited in getting the younger generation interested in the Raymond of yesteryear.

Everyone is encouraged to join the Society, which meets each third Monday of the month at the Casco Library at 7:30 pm. There is always a program, refreshments and hearty conversation.

Marlee Turner - President

## Congratulations Graduates

The recipients of the 1998-1999 Raymond Rescue Inc.'s Betts, Douglas, Hickey Scholarships are Rae-Anne Southard of Windham

High School and Madeline O'Neill of Yarmouth High School. Rae-Anne is pursuing a career in Sports Medicine and Madeline will be further her education in Pharmacy. We wish both girls much success.

## ANNUAL YARD SALE FLEA MARKET

Sat., June 5 (Rain date June 12) 9 am to 2 pm

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Raymond Village Community Church  
Main St. (Route 12 1) Raymond

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Silent Auction Board, Plants, Home Made Food, New Items, Crafts

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Kitchen will serve snacks, lunch food & beverages.

For Rent: Tables \$15 Space without table \$10

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For Information Call  
Karen Knights 655-3926  
or the church 655-7749  
Handicap Entrance

## June 1999

### Events and Meeting Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 7:00PM TH Selectmen	2 7:00PM JS School Committee	3 6:30PM KC Lions Club	4	5
6	7	8	9 7:00PM TH Planning Board	10	11	12
13	14	15 7:00PM TH Selectmen	16 7:00PM JS Completion Ceremony 7:00PM TH Recycling Committee	17 6:30PM KC Lions Club	18	19
20 10:00AM TH Appeals Board Site Walk	21 7:00PM VL Historical Society	22	23 7:00PM JS School Committee	24 7:00PM TH Cemetery Committee	25 Appeals Board Deadline for June Meeting	26 10:00AM-2:00PM FOUNDER'S DAY SHERI GAGNON PARK
27	28	29 7:00PM TH Appeals Board	30 7:30PM FB Ladies Auxiliary		To Be Announced 7:00PM TH Diabetes Meeting 6:30PM JS Middle School Dev. Com.	TH=Town Hall JS=Jordan-Small KC=Kokatosi Campgnd TG=Town Garage FB=Fire Barn VL=Village Library

Don't forget to mark you calendar, and attend this years  
**New & Improved Raymond Founders Day**

# Founders Day 1999

## Saturday June, 26th

### ROAD RACES

We start off with a 5K road race at 7:30 AM beginning at Sheri Gagnon Park on Mill St. The course goes up to Webbs Mills Rd. and turns toward Route 302. At the light on Route 302, the runners will turn right and head toward Casco. They will turn onto Main St. at its West end and run toward the Village. They will then turn up Mill St. and finish at the Park. There will be **FREE** special design Tee Shirts for those who have their registration in by June 18th. Prizes will be given in several areas. We invite both serious and casual runners to participate. Registration fee is \$8.00 prior to race day and \$10 on race day. Registrations can be picked up at several locations around Raymond including AllStar Trophy & Awards at Panther Run on Route 302, Sunset Variety on Route 302 and the Town Office, or call Phil Meech at Maine Telephone, 1-800-642-9952, Ext 296. This will be followed at 8:30 by a 1 mile Fun Run/Walk, from the Park, down Mill St. to the Village, and back again. Everyone is encouraged to attend, participate, and have fun. The Fun Run is designed for those 14 and younger. If they register by the 18th with a fee of \$5 the participants will also receive the free unique design tee shirt.

### PARADE

The parade has both new and old ingredients. The parade will start at 10 AM from Old Canal Rd., next to Sunset Variety, head up Main Street to Mill St. and then to Sheri Gagnon Park. Leading the parade will be the Grand Marshall, Raymond's own championship archer, Christie Bisco. Following, will be the award winning Westbrook High School Marching Band. Ruth Shadbolt's clowns will be entertaining everyone. Youth groups, floats, Fire Departments and Rescue Units will keep everyone standing and cheering!

### ...AND AFTER THE PARADE

At the Park, activities will start immediately after the parade. There are games of chance for young and old, demonstrations, free concerts, food and beverages. Also a Moon Walk and a pit of balls for the young. Everything will come to a halt at Noon for a short time because: Several Cub Scout Leaders challenged the Scouts to collect the aluminum tabs from beverage cans. As an incentive, the leaders said that if 100 pounds or more were collected, the Scouts could shave the beards, moustaches and hair off all the male leaders. Word has it that there will be some bald guys walking around the park that afternoon. Come and see these leaders keep their promise. The 3rd section of the History Trail developed by Mrs Blanchard's 4th grade will be unveiled. It will include East & North Raymond. It is hoped that tours will be available on Founders Day. Ladies, men, boys and girls; bring your best homemade pie to the Park no later than Noon. At 1 PM we will be picking the best pie in Raymond and a suitable award will be awarded. Cream pies are OK. Refrigeration will be available. While the activities are going on at the Park, there will be a craft fair at the District One firehouse in the Village. Plenty to see and buy. The crafters are going all out for this one. Several businesses will be sponsoring activities that day. Special sales and other incentives to get residents and visitors to check out Raymond and see what is available. Read your Suburban News to get the latest information.

### ...AND JUST WHEN YOU THINK IT'S ALL OVER

After Raymond's Founders Day wraps up in mid afternoon, people can wander down to Windham and enjoy its Summer Fest. Their parade will start at 4 PM at the Rotary and go to the High School. Vendors will have food and beverages available. Then the day will finish up with a grand fireworks display at the Windham School complex on Route 202 at 9 PM.

**For more information, please call:**

**Bob Jones at 655-7163, e-mail: [rjones1@maine.rr.com](mailto:rjones1@maine.rr.com)**

**or**

**Frank McDermott at 655-4646, email: [fmcderm1@maine.rr.com](mailto:fmcderm1@maine.rr.com).**

## Principal's Corner

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researching a number of areas as we prepare for the opening of the new school. These include kindergarten programming, budgeting for and hiring a middle school principal and support staff for two buildings, developing the middle school curriculum and expanding the curriculum to include 7th and 8th grades, changes to the busing schedule with the opening of the new elementary school, and expansion of our school lunch program, to name a few. This will be exciting work for us. Moving into the new school in the summer of 2000 will be here before we know it.

In closing, I would like to wish all of our students a happy and safe summer vacation. I encourage them to read for pleasure each and every day, and to cherish this vacation time with their families. We will see them back at school on Wednesday, September 1.

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## Taste Of Maine Luncheon

Mrs. Gorham, grade 4 teacher at the Jordan-Small School, would like to thank parents for their support of the "Taste of Maine" Luncheon on Wednesday, May 19. Mrs. Gorham's class was overwhelmed with a wonderful variety of Maine foods. From the chowders, to the salads, to the scrumptious desserts, everything was just great. Thanks are also extended to Laurie Salamone, Kathi Jones, Donna Flynn and Jane Jordan for helping to keep things moving smoothly. Mrs. Leslie and Mrs. Gorham appreciated their help. They felt that this was a valuable activity for the children to experience. Not only did they get to delve into Maine cookbooks and discuss ingredients and cooking procedures, but they also got to enjoy the "fruits" of those activities. Thank you again to parents for their contributions to the special event.

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## Innisbrook Gift Wrap Fund-raiser Returns In The Fall

Jordan-Small School and the Raymond PTA are coordinating efforts for the September, 1999 Innisbrook Gift Wrap fund-raiser. Last year's efforts were very, very successful, and students in all grades benefited from the proceeds which were used to support field trips, assemblies, classroom programs, and other student activities. This fall the Raymond PTA will work with the school in the sale of gift wrap and other gift items offered through Innisbrook. When thinking ahead to next year's holiday season, think of quality Innisbrook products, on sale in September at the Jordan-Small School.

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## Daisy Girl Scouts-Troop 386

On April 27, the following girls bridged to Brownies: Jenna Martin-Fisher, Molly Dreyer, Sarah Tripp, Delaney Kenny, Cassi Gordan, Nicole Reynolds, Deanna Weeks, Jenna Richardson. Congratulations to all the girls for completing a wonderful year!

## Local Educator Writes For National Kids' Journal

Norman Hjort, sixth grade teacher at the Jordan-Small School, is an author in *Dragonfly Teacher's Companion*, the teacher's guide for the international magazine for young investigators, *Dragonfly* - an innovative, theme-based journal of children's research, art and creative writing. In the March/April 1999 edition, Mr. Hjort writes an investigation for educators to help children devise methods of pollution control in a simulated water treatment experiment and also create a water pollution prevention guide for the home. "Dragonfly magazine is designed to inspire children to investigate," says project coordinator Lynne Born Myers, a founding editor of the magazine at Miami University in Ohio. "And the *Dragonfly Teacher's Companion* provides powerful tools for channeling this creative power of investigation into an exciting curriculum with clear learning objectives that advance national goals for education." We are very proud of Mr. Hjort's article, and invite you to further explore *Dragonfly* at its free, interactive Web site <http://www.MUOhio.edu/Dragonfly/>.

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## Jordan-Small Loves The Raymond PTA

On behalf of the Jordan-Small faculty, Principal Norma Richard would like to thank all members of the Raymond PTA for their outstanding contributions to the school program and to the children of Raymond. The PTA, under the outstanding leadership of President Jerilyn Ward, has been especially active this year. Highlights of their work include the Irish Family Festival, Parent Education Survey, May Crafts Fair, Jump Rope for Heart to benefit the American Heart Association, Scholastic Book Fair, and the celebration of Teacher Appreciation Week (May 3 - 7). We look forward to their continuing support and involvement in programming to benefit children, families, school and our community.

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## Hebron Middle School Student Qualifies For CTY Summer Program

Hebron, ME - Director Leslie Guenther announces that Tristram Draper of Raymond has received a certificate of distinction based on his verbal score on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) taken earlier this year. As part of the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth

## Volunteer Recognition At The Jordan-Small School

On May 27 the Jordan-Small School faculty showed their appreciation for the countless hours and contributions made this year by volunteers to our elementary school programs. Over 125 volunteers were invited to the annual Volunteer Breakfast. Several volunteers were recognized for outstanding service to the school. These include Volunteers of the Year Trish Cole and Kevin Woodbrey, PTA President Jerilyn Ward, Irish Festival Coordinator Jo Martyn-Fisher, Phyllis Barden, Roberta Meserve, Jeff Trickey, Sue LaMarre, Lisa Schadler, and Donna Cox. We would like to thank all parents and community members who shared their time, talents, interests and expertise with students and staff during this school year, and we want each of you to know that your efforts are much appreciated.

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## Honor Roll At North Yarmouth Academy

The following students have been named to the Winter Honor Roll at NYA:

### Highest Honors:

Matt Fortin  
Shawn Gagne  
Lindsay Lehr

### High Honors:

Colin Bumby  
Elizabeth Crockett  
Bridget Gagne  
Ben Hutchinson  
Maggie McClellan  
Amy Stone  
William Yates  
Nathan White

### Honors:

Katie Crockett  
Zachary Fey  
Abby Hutchinson

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## Jordan-Small School End-of-Year Activities

It is hard to believe that this school year is quickly coming to a close. We would like to extend an invitation to parents, families, and community members to join us for the following end of the year activities at the Jordan-Small School.

- Tuesday, June 1 from 9:00 - 11:30 AM: Career Day activities for grades 5 and 6
- Thursday, June 3 at 6:30 PM: Jackson Gilman Family Concert sponsored by the PTA
- Friday, June 4: School wide picnic
- Wednesday, June 9 at 9:00 AM: DARE graduation for grade 6
- Thursday, June 10 at 7:00 PM: Awards Night
- Friday, June 11 at 2:00 PM: Awards Assembly
- Wednesday, June 16 at 7:00 PM: Completion Ceremony for Grade 6
- Thursday, June 17: Last student day. Step-Up then dismissal at 10:30.

## Raymond Fire/Rescue News

The members of the Raymond Fire and rescue have been training hard to better prepare themselves to serve the citizens of Raymond. Meeting every Wednesday night to familiarize themselves with all fire and rescue vehicles and equipment. Each Wednesday night after these checks a training class is conducted. Every week has a different subject matter ranging from proper techniques to wearing a self contained breathing apparatus to proper handling of chemicals found in our stations and many more.

Many of our members have donated their time to attend classes out of Raymond. A brief list since January is as follows:

- **5 members** attended 2 days of classes at the Cumberland County Fire/Rescue School.
- **5 members** attended 1 day classes at the Cumberland County Fire/Rescue School.
- **10 members** traveled to Maryland to attend 2 days of classes at the National Fire Academy.
- **8 members** attended a 1 day conference of emergency medical classes called the Tower of Education.
- **5 members** attended the York County Winter Officers school.
- **6 members** attended the Central Maine Fire Attack School.

Just the time spent at the out of town classes this year represents 520 training hours.

Congratulations to Lieutenant Sam Webster of the Raymond Fire Rescue on his appointment to the Westbrook Fire Department as a career firefighter, Sam's appointment now makes our total of career firefighters and EMS personnel volunteering in Raymond 9.

## USM 30th Annual Math Meet

On Thursday, May 6, the Jordan-Small School 5th and 6th grade math teams, under the direction of Jack Fitch, competed in the 39th annual math meet at the University of Southern Maine. The 5th graders finished 22nd out of 40 teams, and the 6th graders finished 3rd out of 39 teams. The 6th graders have placed their third place trophy in the office for everyone to see.

### The 5th grade team includes:

Charles Burnham  
Kelly Mogg  
Ian Geib  
Amanda Kirby  
Josh Leeman  
Alyssa Andrew

### The 6th grade team includes:

Brendan Blake  
Matt Hotham  
Shea Mogg  
Renee Fortin  
Amanda Dodson  
Rebecca Barter

We would like to congratulate them on a fine job at the math meet.

## Help Wanted!! Paid On-Call Firefighters And EMTs

The Raymond Fire Rescue Department is now accepting applications for the following positions; Firefighter, EMT, Fire Police, and Fire Department Auxiliary. These positions are paid by the hour when on a call, paid standby, and paid for mandatory training classes,

The Fire Rescue Department provides you with protective clothing, an alerting device to notify you of calls, and free classes. Over 50 of your friends and neighbors, already help all of us by working for the Fire/Rescue Department. Come join now!

No experience is necessary and people from all walks of life are encouraged to apply. Diversity helps to build a strong team. Apply by picking up an application at Town Hall or Dispatch. Both are located at 401 Webbs Mills Road. For more information call 655-7851.

## Portland Natural Gas Pipeline Inspecting Easement

The Portland Natural Gas Pipeline has begun inspecting their entire easement through Maine to be sure that all environmental problems created over the winter are corrected. The Portland office has concern that people who use the easement for trailing riding or hiking have taken down silt fencing around sensitive areas in order to pass through the area. They ask that all environmental controls are left in place and that newly grassed areas be avoided until a hardy turf is established. Portland Natural Gas Pipeline would appreciate the publics help in allowing the land to return to a solid condition. If you have any questions about the use of the easement, please call Bill Fricke at 800-633-1721.

## From The Tax Collector's Office:

To be sure your name does not appear in Town Report - all taxes must be paid prior to June 30th.

## Wanted: Items for Recycling

We are looking to collect items for recycling as we are developing a new home program for a young lady with autism. This young lady has demonstrated independence at peeling the labels off cans and sorting items. We are hoping to expand this program to include other individuals who would find this type of work rewarding.

Items can be dropped off at our home, 266 Webbs Mills Rd. (Route 85) or call for pick up (655-3196)

Thank you!  
Sincerely,  
Jeanne Whitcomb

## Tuitioning Of Grades 7 - 12

At their May 5 meeting, the Raymond School Committee approved revisions to policy JECCA. This policy outlines the tuitioning of students in grades 7 - 12 to outside school districts. The following language has been added to this policy. Please note that approval is now required of the Superintendent of Schools if a student is to change schools before the end of the year.

'Tuition students will remain enrolled in a school until the end of the academic year unless the school administration and/or PET determines that placement and/or programming is inappropriate. Approval is required of the Raymond Superintendent of Schools before such a change can be made.'

## Lakes Region Initiative Of Habitat For Humanity

Several residents from the Lakes Region communities of Raymond, Casco, Naples and Bridgton have formed a steering committee to begin the process of starting a local affiliate of Habitat for Humanity. With a goal of building one home within the coming year, initial plans for fund raising and volunteer recruitment are underway. Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit organization dedicated to the elimination of substandard housing throughout the world. By utilizing volunteer labor, along with donated land and materials whenever possible, Habitat can generally build a three bedroom home for about \$50,000. Each house is sold to a qualifying family at cost by means of a no-interest 20 year mortgage. Recipient families are selected on the basis of need. Each family must contribute at least 500 hours of "sweat equity" towards construction of the home in order to purchase a Habitat home.

If you are interested in donating time, talent, or materials for this worthwhile cause or would like more information, please call Nancy Miers 998-2531.

## Fire & Rescue Send Thanks

The Raymond Fire & Rescue Department would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who have donated stuffed animals to the department. They have been very useful in the emotional first aid of our younger patients. Your support in this fashion has given us a surplus of stuffed animals that will last us for quite some time. We would like to request that if you have any more to donate to please hold onto them at this time, until we can deplete our current stock. We still would encourage your support in any other way, and we will let you know when we would like the donations of animals to resume. Again we would like to thank you for all that you have done and given us.

Respectfully yours,  
Raymond Fire & Rescue

## Kindergarten Family Literacy Night

The Kindergarten staff presented a "Family Literacy Night" in March for Kindergarten students and their parents. The theme was "The Wizard of Oz" as the Kindergarten teachers and support staff dressed in costume to promote their excitement for literacy. Upon arrival the children were escorted to the library to listen to the story of "The Wizard of Oz" and the parents attended a meeting with Mrs. Mains and the staff to learn about the steps to literacy and other ideas to promote reading and writing at home. The children then met up with their parents to make a story character puppet together. Then they were off down the "yellow brick road" to a variety of activities, including writing, phonics, phonemics and whole language, which could be found in the classrooms, library and computer room.



It was wonderful to see so many families come out that night to learn with their children. We'd like to thank the many people who donated and helped make materials for our

event. This was an exciting adventure which began with our trip to Portland to see a play production of the story, continued through our study of castles in history and fairy tales, and finally ended back "down on the farm" for our displays for the academic fair.



The cast of characters attending that night were: "Dorothy" - Mrs. Bottoms, All Day Kindergarten; "The Farm Hand" - Mrs. Keef, Librarian; "Miss Gulch" - Mrs. Thornton, Resource Room Teacher; "Auntie Em" - Mrs. Mains, Title I Teacher; "The Scarecrow" - Mrs. Eastman, Special Educ.; "The Tin man" - Mrs. Allen, Kindergarten; "The Lion" - Ms. Parisi, Kindergarten; "Glinda" - Mrs. Stiles, Home-School Coord.; "The Mayor" - Ms. Richard, Principal; the "Bad Witch" - Mrs. Wisutskie, Speech and Language Teacher; and "The Wizard" - Mr. Dorey, Computer Coordinator. AND, of course, all the "Munchkins" - our students.

## From Raymond Recreation Association: A Huge Hooray!!! A Thoughtful Thank You!

We say "Hooray" for all the boys and girls who participated in our programs since last September. Whether you were in Soccer, Drama, Karate, Fall or Spring Tennis, Basketball, Skiing on Wednesday or Friday night, the

Baby-sitting Courses, or the Project 2000 Youth Group, **YOU EACH ARE A STAR!**

We say "Thank You" to all who supported our programs since September. The list is very long and includes the volunteers who coached, chaperoned or organized programs; those who contributed monetary gifts, large or small, or purchased Christmas fruit from us; the staff at Jordan Small School - administration, office staff, custodial staff and bus drivers; and finally the Board of Directors who donated uncounted

hours to run their programs.

It takes all of us together to offer these opportunities to our children. We have already begun plans for the 1999 - 2000 school year. Plan to be a part of these programs. Look for information in the RoadRunner next fall.

**WE NEED A VOLUNTEER FOR PUBLIC RELATIONS...** To help with flyers and RoadRunner articles. Join us and have fun on your computer. Call 655-4657.

## Raymond Rec. Fall Soccer Program Sign-ups

Many people missed the first sign-up night for Raymond Rec Fall Soccer. We are holding a second chance sign-up. We urge all interested players to do so.

**Where:** At Jordan Small School Cafeteria

**When:** Wed. June 9, 1999- 6PM to 7:30 PM

**Cost:** \$15.00 per child \$10.00 for each additional sibling

**Age Groups Eligible:**

Children at least 5 years old, but under 13 years old, on or before October 14, 1999

The season is expected to start during the second week of school and run approximately 8 weeks.

A parent or guardian must be present at sign-up.

Any person interested in coaching, refereeing, or volunteering with the program please attend or

call Barry Keck at 655-2127

Or e-mail at [bkka@pivot.net](mailto:bkka@pivot.net)

## REGISTRATION FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS ARE STILL OPEN

Registration for **SWIMMING** will continue until June 11. Cost \$15 per child and \$10 for each additional child. Classes begin June 28 for 4 weeks. Call Debbie Duchaine, WSI at 655-5222. Registration for **LIFEGUARD TRAINING** will continue until June 11. Course runs August 9 - 13, cost to Raymond Resident is \$80.00. Call Joni at 655-3203. Registration for a **BABY-SITTING COURSE** runs through June 11. Limited space, call immediately: Danielle at 655-2792. Dates are June 19 and 26 from 8am to 1pm both days. Cost \$35.00, minimum age is 11. **HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER!**

## The Art of Fly Fishing

Editor's note: Josh Geib, age 12, wrote this last year for his 7th grade English class at Hebron Academy. His mother thought it was worth publishing in Maine Fish and Wildlife Magazine, where it was subsequently published in the Winter 1998 issue.

By Joshua Geib (Reprinted by permission)

Fly fishing, a sport or an art? Sportsmen would generally think fly fishing is a sport. The people that would be led to believe this would be the ones who have not actually experienced it. These sportsmen would think that fly fishing is just throwing a feather-covered hook into the water and hoping that a fish, seeking food, would come up and eat it. Now a person might think, "Why waste all that energy and effort when you could just use bait?" Others may think that fly fishing is a sport because some fly fishing gear is sold in sports stores, advertised on television for sport utility vehicles, and written about in sports magazines.

Fly fishing to me is an art. It has so many different parts to be mastered. When fly

casting, the slow graceful back and forth motion of the fly rod can be so relaxing. Casting and presenting the fly with gracefulness is like the wind blowing a feather on a cool summer night.



There is so much more to enjoy in fly fishing other than catching fish, which is just something kind of extra. The real enjoyment is being outside standing in the river listening to the cool running water, and looking at the beautiful scenery. The enjoyment aspect is just one of the

splendid things about fly fishing.

A fisherman stalking the elegant trout has to match exactly what these fish are feeding on. The fly tier uses feathers and fur like an artist uses his paints. The tier has to match the insect, right down to the color, size, shape, stage in life. This is true whether it is in the stage of hatching and is wiggling on the surface of the water, or if it is fully hatched and just floating on the water like a leaf. Not only does the fly fisherman have to match the food source exactly, but the fly must be presented in the most naturalistic way so as to fool the fish. Tying flies is another art form to fly fishing. The fly tier who ties flies will have to make an exact imitation of the food of the fish that they intend on pursuing and catching. A sculptor may make a figure that appeals to him, and a fly tier may design a fly of his own which would be most effective in the area where he fishes.

Fly fishing is seen as an art, because there is more to it than just throwing bait in the water. Fly fishing takes skill with the hands and intense visual abilities. Patience is a big contributing factor. It takes practice and years to master the art of fly fishing.

## RYC Group

In March, 24 7th and 8th graders returned to the school cafeteria for a dance/game night. Door prizes were given away, individual tables were set up with battery-operated lanterns and music was provided by Kyle Bancroft who made his D.J. debut. I commend the kids for their behavior! At 9:15, when lights came on, everyone chipped in to stack chairs, sweep the floor and put tables away for ONE LAST DANCE! Hats off to Kyle, who did such a great job, he got his first "gig" at the dance held for our visitors from Anguilla! Most special thanks to our chaperones: Fran Gagne, Gail Waisenen and T.C. Conant; our most faithful mascots! Also Maggie, Mike and Michelle McClellan for gathering up the 8th graders and refreshments and helping!

Our group enjoyed a pool party at Mast Landing Campground. Thanks Gary Conant, Cindy Randall and Fran Gagne for weathering the chlorine and humidity! Also, April marked the return of our bowling "guru": Bob Hig-

gins, who keeps us all in line and offers tips on winning techniques. Whether he knows it or not, his help has improved all of scores when we compare them to last year's! He is also a wonderful adult role model to these kids. Thanks, Bob, for your generosity!

Our group has also been venturing into community service work. Why? Here are a few reasons: creates a tighter bond for teens to their home town; help provide them with future job skills; promote the "positive" faces of Raymond's teens; create opportunities that promote team work and goal achievement; build the self-confidence of our teens; build bridges across the "gaps"; provide our teens with positive support and recognition for their VERY important contributions; hopefully to give them the strength and skills to deal with difficult situations and to make the right decisions in the years ahead. I have challenged the group to do at least 10 hours of community work by August, with the promise of a big celebration! Beginning in March, we have started documenting volunteer hours for both teen and adult volunteers associated with this group. Some of the teens have surpassed 10 hours already...keep

going! About 5 adults have won several "laps" and are still running...if you haven't joined this race, I encourage you to do so! We've manned craft tables for the successful Irish Festival and PTA's workshop for K-6, done yard work for some of our Raymond senior citizens and have created a garden at the Sherri Gagnon Park and raised money for a plaque in memory of former 2004 classmate, Michael Wolfe. Thanks to: Jo-Martyn Fisher for arranging a donation to our "puppeteers" from PTA and Julie Orsini for giving us service opportunities. Special thanks to those Senior citizens who endured some "strange-looking folks" and "awful" music blasting from the boom box...your trust in us helped build a bridge across yet another gap.

Of course, we could not keep moving forward without the support, resources and involvement of our teens and their parents and groups like the PTA, Raymond Rec. and Communities for Children. A reminder to all "2004" people: stay connected if you want to be connected.

Candi Scripture

## Raymond T-Ball-1999

With over 90 children in this program, and the volunteer efforts of a few dedicated people, our season is up and running! I'd like to personally thank the following people who came forward to provide their time and effort to provide these children with a fun, supportive activity.

Our T-Ball coaches:

Paul Hargreaves, Kevin Lorenz, Del Peavey, Lori Hargreaves, Dave Sturgeon, Danielle Morse, Ron Gagnon, Dean Dighello, Dana Desjardens, Vicki Woodbrey, Jim Fisher, Ellen Van Haasteren, Rick Mitchell, Sandy Winde, Rodney Knights, Lee Barry, Leo Algeo, John Odum, and Stephanie Odum

Special thanks to board members Tom Wiley, Dave Sturgeon, Lisa Duncanson and Paul Cobb for compiling registrations and rosters and ordering uniforms.

To all the children of T-Ball: thank you for making each and every effort worthwhile and allowing us to share your fun! Have a great season, everyone!

Candi Scripture

## Food Pantry Hours

PROP Food Distribution by Raymond Food Pantry at Raymond Town Hall will be Tuesdays from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Fridays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

## Hebron Student Scores High On National Spanish Exam

Hebron, ME - - Barbara Connell, Chair of the Foreign Language Department, announces that eleven Hebron Academy students scored in the top ten within Maine on the 1999 National Spanish Exam. Included in these honors is Giselle Pomerleau of Raymond who scored 9th in level 2 (Spanish II). Whatever direction a student may take in college and in life, Hebron Academy's language training fosters personal growth, awareness of the individual in relation to a multi-cultural and multilingual global society, an ability to think and respond in different contexts, and an appreciation for arts, literature and history.

## Communities for Children

Raymond is one of 52 Partner Communities (which represent over 200 municipalities!) working with the Maine state government to help our children and youth grow up in safe, healthy and supportive environments. Communities for Children was launched in January 1997 by the Governor's Children's Cabinet to bring focus and support to local community prevention work.

Raymond's Communities for Children has been defining its role and informally assessing youth-related needs in our community over the past year. Our role, in part, is to encourage discussion and collaboration amongst community groups and members to address Raymond's youth issues. Our current needs focus includes the infant/preschool and the adolescent age groups.

Our vision is to help Raymond become even more connected, supportive and safe for our children and youth. Some accomplishments toward that vision include:

- Assisted in linking Raymond Rec. with the Raymond Youth Group, which lead to a one year sponsorship.
- Helped match Raymond Rec.'s location need for a baby-sitting certification course with the Raymond Village Library.
- Created a list of community groups/service organizations and potential places for community gatherings.
- Helped initiate the formation of a town committee to study Raymond's community programming needs.

Communities for Children meets the second Tuesday evening of each month at the Jordan-Small School. For more information about Raymond's CFC and current action projects, please call Lori Rand at 655-4277 or Laurie Wallace at 655-2222.

## Direct Care Position

Progressive people are wanted to work part time or per diem with an eighteen year old woman with autism and mental retardation. An idyllic setting in Raymond on a 200 year old three acre farm with gardening, animal care, recycling, and worm composting as some of the highlights.

We are looking for people who believe we all have a right to choices and that every one of us has a gift within ourselves to offer others.

Come join use as we assist this young woman, and others like her, to reach their full potential in a natural homelike setting and with an educated holistic approach to her well being.

If interested, please call Jeanne Whitcomb or Jane Gagnier at 655-3196 between 6:00 AM through 10:00 PM to request an interview.

## Gymnastics Champ Goes to Regional Competition

Raymond's Amanda Scripture became the 1999 USA Gymnastics Level 8 State Champion on May 1 in Biddeford. She placed 3rd on uneven bars, 2nd on floor and 1st place on beam, vault and all-around. She will lead the State team (top seven) at the Eastern Regional competition on May 22. Since she began competing, six years ago, Amanda has won two State championships in addition to this year's (Level 5 and 7) and earned the honor of qualifying for Regionals her first year at Level 8 in 1998. Her All-Around score of 34.795 in Biddeford was the highest in all age categories and has propelled her to Level 9.

Amanda began a successful season in October at an Invitational meet in Beverly, Mass. when she faced tough competition from teams from New York, New Hampshire and Massachusetts and took 1st place on beam, 3rd All-Around. Two weeks later, at the season's first of two Sectional meets, Amanda was the only level 8 to receive early qualification to the State meet, taking 1st place in all events.

The competitive season runs from October-May. Levels 4-7 consists of compulsory routines (all gymnasts perform same moves) on each event. Levels 8-10 are Optional gymnasts who must choreograph their own routines which must included a specific combination of moves, ranked by difficulty, to achieve an ultimate starting score of 10.0, before deductions. Gymnasts who surpass level 10, are considered "Elites" and perform more frequently in National events.

She is an honor roll student at Windham Middle School and is a founding member of Raymond

Youth Group-2004.

Since November, she has been baby-sitting to raise money to travel with her teammates and coach to an International Training Camp in Pennsylvania in July. This will be her sixth year performing at Raymond Founder's Day, she will appreciate any support from her community.

## Windham Honor Roll

We would like to congratulate the following Raymond students for achieving honor roll status at Windham High School.

### High Honors:

Ami Carver - 12  
Berkley Cline - 9  
Brent Roberts - 11  
Tiara Sanborn - 9

### Honors:

Christopher Blomberg - 11  
Julia Bruno - 10  
Mason Cline - 11  
Serena Gerry - 9  
Ethan Jerry - 11  
Vanessa Jordan - 9  
Jonathan Kuusela - 11  
Thomas Lawler - 9  
Lauren MacLean - 9  
Jessica McCourt - 9  
Nick Parenteau - 11  
Christina Perry - 11  
Shea Shattuck - 10  
Alan Simmons - 9  
Alicia Sloan - 11  
Kali Small - 11  
Rae-Anne Southard - 12  
Teri-Anne Southard - 11  
James Stephenson - 11  
Brianna Twofoot - 11  
Ashley Weeks - 9

## Sabre Yachts Wins Boat of the Year

Sabre recently announced that the new Sabre 452 has won the prestigious *Cruising World Magazine Boat of the Year Award* in the Full Size Cruiser category.

Designed by Jim Taylor Yacht Design in conjunction with Ken Rusinek and the Sabre Design Team, the new Sabre 452 is the third success for this collaboration. Her predecessors, the Sabre 362 and Sabre 402 won this award in 1994 and 1997 respectively.



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