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## Local Elections and Annual Town Meeting

By: Don Willard, Town Manager

Local elections will be held on Friday, May 17, 2002, with voting from 7:00am to 8:00pm in the Raymond Elementary School Gymnasium. There are two openings on the Board of Selectmen and two candidates are seeking to fill these openings. Selectman Ada Brown is seeking re-election, and Christine McClellan is running for the seat now held by Chairman Mark Acker. The Budget Finance Committee has five openings, with three candidates running for election. Chairman Rolf Olsen is running for re-election, as is

Ralph Bartholomew. Colleen Laprise was appointed by the Board of Selectmen to fill an unexpired term and is now seeking election to the Committee. Raymond's Annual Town Meeting will be held Saturday, May 18, 2002, at 10:00am in the Raymond Elementary School Gymnasium. Voters will gather to consider a municipal and school warrant comprising 58 articles.

**Municipal Budget Highlights.** The Board of Selectmen and Budget Finance Committee met throughout the winter and early spring to fine-tune the proposed 2002/2003 Municipal Budget. This year's Municipal Budget includes an expenditure increase of \$56,106 or 2% over the current year. Revenues are also expected to increase by \$17,465 resulting in a 1% increase. The total 2002/2003 Municipal Budget is \$2,803,355 as compared to the present year budget of \$2,747,249. Total revenues are now projected at \$1,726,404

as compared to the current year \$1,708,939. This year the Board of Selectmen decided to utilize \$300,000 from Fund Balance (surplus) to offset expenditures as compared with the current year use of \$350,000.

**Public Works.** New initiatives within the budget proposal include an increase in the size of the Public Works Department. The current Department comprises three full-time employees, including the Public Works Director. In this year's budget, two new positions are proposed. Additional employees will allow a reasonable sized workforce to accomplish routine and major maintenance projects. Presently the Town crew is so small that even routine service requests are difficult to address in a timely manner. The increase in crew size will not eliminate contract plowing. This approach has proven to be a very reliable and cost effective way to provide for winter

maintenance. Building some level of Town capacity will, however, enable the Town to make better progress on many projects during the spring, summer, and fall months. The increase in staffing will also help to reduce the cost of contract plowing in the future by the Town crew assuming maintenance of some plow routes.

**Fire/Rescue.** In the Fire/Rescue section of the Budget there is a proposal for an additional full-time paramedic. The establishment of a second full-time paramedic will help to relieve the demands placed upon Raymond's core of dedicated volunteers and also improve our critical care public safety response.

**Community Development Planning.** An appropriation of \$12,000 has been requested by the Comprehensive Plan Update Committee. When combined with

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**Road Runner Articles Due**  
Articles for the next edition of the Road Runner newsletter are due by May 15th. Please provide them by any of the following methods:  
**E-Mail; Diskette; Paper**  
Articles should be saved in Rich Text Format (RTF) on diskette or as e-mail attachments.  
**Send School Related Articles To:**  
[norma.richard@raymondmaine.org](mailto:norma.richard@raymondmaine.org)  
[christian.elkington@raymondmaine.org](mailto:christian.elkington@raymondmaine.org)  
or drop at a Principal's Office  
**Send Town related articles To:**  
[elizabeth.cummings@raymondmaine.org](mailto:elizabeth.cummings@raymondmaine.org)  
or drop at Town Hall

**Town Elections, Friday, May 17th, 7:00am - 8:00pm**  
*Exercise Your Democratic Rights*  
**Town Meeting, Saturday, May 18th, 10:00am**

### Proposed Ordinance Revisions For 2002

By: Bob Faunce, Town Planner

Over the past year the Raymond Planning Board has worked on several ordinances that will be considered at the May 18, 2002, Town Meeting. As summarized below, the ordinances address road construction, back lots and development standards.

Why these ordinances and why now? We all know that Raymond is an attractive community with good schools, smooth roads, a wealth of beautiful rural scenery, lakefront recreation opportunities, and reasonably-priced housing just a short commute from Greater Portland. We also know that Raymond is going through an unprecedented period of change brought on by growth, and there is concern that some of these precious attributes may be lost before we have a chance to do anything about it.

Thirty years ago Raymond was a small farming community of 1,328 persons. While there have always been many seasonal homes in Raymond, in 1970 there were only 459 year-round homes. By the year 2000, the population and number of year-round homes had each more than tripled, to 4,299 persons and 1,616 homes. To give you some perspective on these numbers, it took Raymond, which was settled in 1770, 200 years to grow to 1,328 persons and 459 year round homes, yet almost that many people and homes have been added each decade since.

Can Raymond continue to accommodate growth? I think the Planning Board would answer a clear "yes" to that question, but the members would probably also say that more consideration must be given to how and where this growth occurs in the community.

In 1970 we had little real understanding of the impact of phosphorus and erosion on

our lakes, ponds and streams. We now know that unless new roads, whether public or private, are designed to control runoff to water bodies, the quality of our surface water will deteriorate.

Thirty years ago we did not give a lot of thought to the locations of wells and septic systems in relation to abutting properties. Based on numerous studies submitted by developers, the Planning Board now knows that our ground water supplies, while bountiful, are not unlimited, and poorly located septic systems can affect wells even hundreds of feet away.

When many of Raymond's roads were little more than country lanes, new home buyers may not have needed to look as carefully as perhaps they should have at the locations of their driveways. Even if the sight distance were not great, there was not a lot of traffic to contend with. Three decades later many of these country lanes now carry large volumes of high speed truck and passenger car traffic, and the efforts we make to properly site driveways will pay off in safer roads and fewer accidents.

In order to preserve the essence of the community without unreasonably impacting the right to develop private property, the Planning Board is recommending the following changes to town ordinances:

**Raymond Street Ordinance.** Currently, the only standards for constructing public or private streets are in the Subdivision Ordinance. That is, unless a street is proposed as part of a subdivision, it can be constructed to any standard. The problem with this is that, over time, many lots can be constructed on a poor, single lane private road that has no provisions for even basic maintenance.

The street ordinance will not only ensure that town roads are constructed to good engineering standards but that new private roads will also meet reasonable standards. Importantly, the ordinance will allow private subdivision roads, which now must meet

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### New Superintendent Of Raymond School District Announced

The Raymond School Committee is pleased to announce the appointment of Sandra S. Caldwell to the position of Superintendent of the Raymond School District.

Both the Search Committee and the School Committee interviewed a fine pool of candidates with excellent qualifications. Sandy's skills as an educator and administrator, combined with her sincere concern for the children makes her the perfect match for the vision and mission of the Raymond School System.

Sandy is currently employed at the Center for Educational Services in Auburn as director of the S.T.A.R. (Schools and Technology for Assessment and Reflection) program. Her prior experience includes Director of Teaching and Learning, Middle Level Principal at the Middle School of the Kennebunks and teacher.

Sandy hopes to be so "visible and accessible" as a part-time superintendent that the entire community of learners thinks she's full time.

Sandy lives in Naples with her husband Michael. Please welcome Sandy to our community as she helps us become an even more outstanding learning environment.

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## News From The Raymond Village Library

### Plant Sale

The Plant Sale will take place Saturday, June 22, at the library from 7:30 AM to noon. We need your donations more than ever. You can bring them to the library early that morning, or Friday afternoon, the day before, from 4 to 7 PM. If neither time is convenient, please call Jane at 655-5354 to arrange a pick-up or a time you could bring it to her house.

Perennials are always in demand, and iris sell especially well. When you are doing your spring gardening, please save some of your divisions for us. If you have a specialty you would be willing to share, we'd love that also.

### Paperback Book Sale and Cookie Walk

Also featured on June 22, Raymond Founders Day, will be the paperback book sale at the library and the cookie walk at Sheri Gagnon Park with the other festivities. Be sure to mark June 22 on your activities calendar.

For the paperback book sale – the book donations can be brought to the library at any time during regular library hours.

### Children's Programs

Babytime, held Thursdays at 9:30am and Storytime, Thursdays at 10:00am will continue during the summer months. The May theme for storytime is, "Things That Grow".

### Annual Banquet

The Raymond Village Library Club Annual Banquet will be held June 6 at the library. There will be a business meeting followed by the election of officers.

The library will be closed on Memorial Day, Monday, May 27.

### Art Exhibit

The beautiful paintings adorning the library walls are by artist Naomi Chase. Naomi is a graduate of Boston University and received her Masters in Special Education from the University of Southern Maine. She has taught special education and worked in Vocational Rehabilitation. Since retiring, she teaches therapeutic art to students with special needs.

Naomi began studying watercolors in the early 1980's with the late Doris Schoonmark of Casco. She has also studied with Charlene Lee and Pat Riley. She enjoys painting in watercolor, acrylic, pastel, gouache and pen and ink. She especially enjoys painting nature scenes and local landscapes, as can be seen by the paintings she has chosen for her exhibit at the library. She has displayed her artwork at St. Joseph College in Standish and at the Bridgton Hospital and has donated artwork to local charities.

Her artwork will be on display at the Raymond Village Library throughout the month of May. One of these paintings would make a lovely gift for Mother's Day.

## More Tips For Saving Water In The Home

By: Charlie Turner, Raymond Waterways Protective Association

- Check for toilet leaks by adding food coloring to the tank. If you have a leak the color will appear in the bowl within 30 minutes. (Flush immediately to avoid stains to the bowl.)
- Check your pump periodically. If the pump turns on and off while water is not being used, you have a leak.
- Repair dripping faucets by replacing washers. One drop per second wastes 2,700 gallons of water per year which is 7.4 gallons a day!

Note: These tips are from the Department of Emergency Management.

## From The Tax Collector's Office

The second half of this year's taxes were due April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you didn't receive a bill or are paying after that date, please contact the tax collector at 655-4742. Any balance left unpaid by June 30<sup>th</sup> 2002, in addition to any previous year's taxes, will be listed in the 2002 Town Report.

## ATV Registrations

The Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has announced that anyone with a re-registration for their ATV can register in June for the new year. All ATV's expire on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

If you are going to register a new ATV to your ownership, you can register it prior to June 30<sup>th</sup> and still get your registration for 2002-2003 by registering it for an added cost of \$3.00 for a total of \$15.00 plus an agent fee of \$2.00. This is called the Extended ATV Temporary Registration. Your new permanent plates will be shipped to you in mid-June.

Saturday, June 1st  
9:00am to 2:00pm

**Raymond Village Church  
Annual Yard Sale/Flea Market**

Main Street, Raymond  
Silent Auction Board  
Snack Bar  
Crafts-Plants-Baked Goods  
To rent a table or space  
Call Nicole Beers 998-3051

## Raymond Food Pantry Accepts Gift of Food

The Raymond Food Pantry wishes to thank the members of Christ Chapel for their magnanimous donation of food for the Pantry during the Easter season.

The Raymond Food Pantry is open at the Town Office during business hours for receiving dry goods. If you need food, please make an appointment so that a Pantry volunteer can meet you. This service is to give families a little extra help when they need it. All requests are kept confidential.

Please call the Town Office at 655-4742 or Diane Goosetrey, Pantry Coordinator, at 428-3206 for an appointment.

## May 2002

### Events and Meeting Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>FB=Fire Bam</b> <b>JS=Jordan-Small</b> <b>KC=Kokatosi Campgnd</b> <b>RE=Raymond Elementary</b> <b>TG=Town Garage RT85</b> <b>TH=Town Hall</b> <b>VL=Village Library</b> <b>VC=Village Church</b>			<b>1</b> <b>12:30PM-1:30PM RE</b> Karate <b>1:00PM-4:00PM RE</b> Kindergarten Screening <b>2:15PM-3:15PM JS</b> Karate <b>7:00PM RE</b> School Committee <b>7:00PM TH</b> Planning Board	<b>2</b> <b>9:30AM VL</b> Baby Time <b>10:00AM VL</b> Story Time <b>6:30PM KC</b> Lions Club	<b>3</b> <b>6:30PM VC</b> Troop 800 Court of Honor	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>6:30PM VC</b> Troop 800 Meeting <b>7:00PM TH</b> Selectmen	<b>8</b> <b>12:45PM-1:45PM RE</b> Karate <b>2:15PM-3:15PM JS</b> Karate <b>7:00PM TH</b> Planning Board	<b>9</b> <b>9:30AM VL</b> Baby Time <b>10:00AM VL</b> Story Time	<b>10</b> <b>8:30AM-11:30AM RE</b> Grandparents Day <b>10:00AM RE</b> Good News Assembly	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> <b>7:00PM TH</b> Comprehensive Plan Committee Meeting	<b>14</b> <b>6:30PM VC</b> Troop 800 Meeting <b>6:30PM JS</b> PTA Meeting	<b>15</b> <b>9:00AM VL</b> Library Board Meeting <b>12:45PM-1:45PM RE</b> Karate <b>2:15PM-3:15PM JS</b> Karate <b>7:00PM RE</b> School Committee	<b>16</b> <b>9:30AM VL</b> Baby Time <b>10:00AM VL</b> Story Time <b>6:30PM KC</b> Lions Club	<b>17</b> <b>7:00AM-8:00PM</b> <b>TOWN ELECTIONS</b>	<b>18</b> <b>10:00AM</b> <b>TOWN MEETING</b>
<b>19</b> <b>10:00AM TH</b> Appeals Board Site Walk	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <b>6:30PM VC</b> Troop 800 Meeting <b>7:00PM TH</b> Selectmen	<b>22</b> <b>12:45PM-1:45PM RE</b> Karate <b>2:15PM-3:15PM JS</b> Karate	<b>23</b> <b>9:30AM VL</b> Baby Time <b>10:00AM VL</b> Story Time <b>7:00PM TH</b> Cemetery Committee	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>7:00PM TH</b> Appeals Board Meeting	<b>28</b> <b>6:30PM VC</b> Troop 800 Meeting <b>7:00PM TH</b> Conservation Commission	<b>29</b> <b>12:45PM-1:45PM RE</b> Karate <b>2:15PM-3:15PM JS</b> Karate	<b>30</b> <b>6:30PM RE</b> Grade 3 Music Night		

## Healthy Habits in May: Scheduled Activities and Events

### Morgan Meadow Walk

Sunday, May 5th, 1:00pm. Come take a walk in Morgan Meadow with the Raymond Conservation Commission. Mike Cline, a local Environmental Educator and Professional Forester, will share his knowledge of the natural history and ecology of this special 1,000 acre preserve. Meet at the Egypt Road trail entrance, Firelane # 268-1. The walk will last approximately 1- 1 ½ hours, but you may head back on your own at any time.

### RES Running Program

3:30pm – 4:30pm - Parents/ Adults join us at 4:30pm! Tuesdays/Thursdays in May, RES Field. Join the Raymond Recreation Running Program as we walk/jog a lap or two with Elementary School students. For every lap an adult does with a child, Communities for Children will donate a dollar to the JSMS playground or to the RES library. Get some exercise, be a great role model and support our schools!

### Start Training for the Founders Day 5K (3.1 miles)

Saturday, June 22, Mill Street. A 10K and Kids' Fun Run (1K) will be held as well. Don't worry about "racing"- come jog/walk to have a fun morning of exercise with other community members. A helpful web site for training: <http://www.halhigdon.com>

### Introducing: Field Hockey!

Saturday, May 11, at the RES field, 10am-noon. Open to 5th- 7th graders (and interested adults who would like to help): this session will include basic conditioning exercises, stick work and elements of the game in preparation for a Field Hockey Club next fall. Please sign up at JSMS and bring a completed registration form to the workshop. (Rain date: Sunday, May 12, 1-3pm). FMI call Suzie Brockelbank, 655-4915. Sponsored by Raymond Recreation.

### Kids' Exercise Activity during Town Meeting

Saturday, May 18, at RES, 10:30-11:30am. Child care is provided during the Town Meeting at RES (which begins at 10:00am) and Leigh Rush, a Raymond resident with experience in teaching fitness classes for children, has offered to help kids burn off some Saturday morning energy. For children 5 years old and up. Participants may want to bring a towel to use as a mat.

### Rock Climbing for 4th and 5th graders

Wednesday and Thursday, May 22 and 23, 8:30am-noon. Grant funding is allowing us to bring mobile walls from the Maine Rock Gym to our schools. 4th and 5th graders will participate in a middle school transition experience that includes discussing healthy choices. Adult volunteers with belaying experience are needed to support this activity. FMI, call Lori Rand, 655-4277. Sponsored by Communities for Children.

## Please Help Save Raymond Founders Day!

Raymond Founders Day may not happen this year unless we get some volunteers.

We are having one last meeting. This meeting will determine if Founders Day will take place this year.

When: Saturday, May 4th  
Time: 9:00a.m.

Where: Jordan-Small Middle School Cafeteria.

Please come and support your community!

## Raymond Fire & Rescue Call Log

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TYPE OF CALL	RESULT	MUTUAL/AID
<b>RESCUE CALLS</b>					
3/12/2002	8:35	MEADOW RD	WELL BEING CHECK	NO TRANSPORT	
3/14/2002	10:49	ROOSEVELT TRAIL	CARACCIDENT	CANCELLED	TO WINDHAM
3/15/2002	13:50	ROOSEVELT TRAIL	ARM PAIN	TRANSPORT	
3/15/2002	15:03	MEADOW RD	UNRESPONSIVE PATIENT	CANCELLED	FROM WINDHAM
3/16/2002	13:59	MEADOW RD	DIABETIC	TRANSPORT	
3/16/2002	14:04	VOGAL RD	CARDIAC	TRANSPORT	
3/17/2002	20:13	DOLIMONT RD	CHEST PAINS	TRANSPORT	
3/20/2002	17:13	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT	NO TRANSPORT	
3/20/2002	19:58	ROOSEVELT TRAIL	PAIN FROM CAR ACCIDENT	NO TRANSPORT	
3/22/2002	11:19	TOWER RD	HEAD INJURY	TRANSPORT	
3/21/2002	9:02	MEADOW RD	CARACCIDENT	REFUSED TRANSPORT	
3/23/2002	17:32	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT	TRANSPORT	
3/25/2002	15:18	WHITTIER LN	MEDICASSIST		TO CASCO
3/26/2002	8:48	MEADOW RD	CARACCIDENT	NO TRANSPORT	
3/26/2002	19:26	WINDHAM	HEAD INJURY	TRANSPORT	TO WINDHAM
3/27/2002	14:10	NO RAYMOND RD	DIFF BREATHING	TRANSPORT	
3/29/2002	7:09	NO RAYMOND RD	ASTHMAATTACK	NO TRANSPORT	
3/30/2002	13:21	NO RAYMOND RD	ASTHMAATTACK	TRANSPORT	
3/31/2002	15:40	VALLEY RD	CARACCIDENT	NO TRANSPORT	
4/1/2002	4:11	MAIN ST	DIFF BREATHING	TRANSPORT	
4/2/2002	22:18	ROOSEVELT TRAIL	RESPIRATORY	TRANSPORT	
4/4/2002	9:11	THOMAS PD TERR	UNRESPONSIVE PATIENT	TRANSPORT	
4/4/2002	13:06	OFF WESTWOOD RD	LIFE LINE ALARM	CANCELLED	
4/4/2002	17:32	NO RAYMOND RD	DIFF BREATHING	TRANSPORT	
4/6/2002	12:39	WEBBS MILLS RD	REACTION TO MEDICATION	TRANSPORT	
4/7/2002	19:58	MEADOW RD	CHIMNEY FIRE	NO TRANSPORT	
4/8/2002	21:48	OFF WEBBS MILLS RD	SIEZURES	NO TRANSPORT	
4/9/2002	15:27	THOMAS PD SHORES	DIFF BREATHING	TRANSPORT	
4/11/2002	20:48	TARKILN HILL RD	HEAD INJURY	NO TRANSPORT	
4/12/2002	9:44	OFF CANAL RD	UNCONCIOUS PATIENT	NO TRANSPORT	
4/12/2002	15:38	PINE LN	BOMB THREAT	NO TRANSPORT	
4/12/2002	16:03	QUAKER RIDGE RD	FIRE ASSIST		TO CASCO
4/12/2002	16:11	NO RAYMOND RD	DIFF BREATHING	TRANSPORT	
<b>FIRE CALLS</b>					
3/20/2002	17:13	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/20/2002	17:56	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/20/2002	18:25	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/21/2002	9:02	MEADOW RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/22/2002	17:01	WEBBS MILLS RD	STRONG ODOR IN BUILDING		
3/25/2002	17:32	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/26/2002	8:41	MEADOW RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/31/2002	14:27	COBB RD	GAS GRILL PROBLEM		
3/31/2002	15:40	VALLEY RD	CARACCIDENT		
3/31/2002	16:42	OUTLAW RIDGE	UNPERMITTED BURN		
4/7/2002	19:58	MEADOW RD	CHIMNEY FIRE		
4/11/2002	10:30	JONES ROAD	PUBLIC ASSIST		
4/12/2002	9:44	OFF CANAL RD	RESCUE ASSIST		
4/12/2002	15:38	PINE LN	UNFOUNDED		
4/12/2002	16:03	QUAKER RIDGE RD			TO CASCO
4/12/2002	18:10	SWANS RD	GAS SPILL		

## First-Ever "Maine Mailers' Forum" To Be Held In Augusta

The Maine Postal Customer Councils are joining together to sponsor the first-ever Maine Mailers' Forum on May 1, 2002, at the Augusta Civic Center. The event brings together the Southern Maine, Mid-Maine, and Eastern Maine Postal Customer Councils, who invite businesses and non-profit organizations from all over the state to attend this important seminar. The keynote speaker is Bob Belmont, Program Manager of the National Postal Customer Council.

Speakers will present valuable information on:

- the benefits of direct mail
- mailroom security and best practices
- using vendors to reduce mailing costs
- the pending USPS rate case
- mailing strategies to improve business marketing

The cost is \$40 per person and includes lunch. You may register in advance or at the door. To register or to get more information, contact David Fowler at (207) 871-8407 or by e-mail at [dfowler1@email.usps.gov](mailto:dfowler1@email.usps.gov).

Postal Customer Councils are non-profit organizations which serve mailers statewide.

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May 1, 2002, 8:30am- 3pm

Augusta Civic Center

\$40 Per Person Includes Lunch

FMI: Contact David Fowler

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all public road standards even though they will not be accepted as public ways, to be constructed to a slightly lesser standard that will be less costly but still provide good, long-term service.

**Back Lots.** Back lots are now allowed in Raymond as long as they meet certain very basic standards. The proposed back lot provisions ensure that the driveway to a back lot is located so it does not create a traffic safety problem and that there are provisions for maintenance of the driveway if it is to serve a second lot. In addition, the provisions will allow a driveway serving a front lot to also provide access to the back lot, thereby reducing the number of driveways exiting onto public roads.

**Lot Standards.** The Planning Board does not review three of every four lots developed in Raymond. That is, erosion control, safe driveways, wetlands, water quality, impact on ponds and other important environmental concerns are not considered for most of the development that occurs in Raymond. In order to address this problem, the Planning Board is recommending some basic standards that would be administered by the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO). The developer, builder or property owner would not have to go to a Planning Board meeting but instead see the CEO and explain how his/her lot would meet these basic standards. The standards allow the CEO to use discretion in unusual circumstances as long as the basic intent is met.

**Site Plan Review Amendments.** Some of the environmental standards in the Subdivision Ordinance are different from those in Site Plan Review. The amendments would make these standards the same.

The Planning Board feels these ordinances will be a good first step in ensuring quality development in Raymond, while preserving the characteristics that make the community a desirable place to live and work. The Town is in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan, which may result in other recommendations for a future town meeting.

Copies of these ordinances are available at Town Hall. I hope you have an opportunity to give them careful consideration. If you have any questions, you can contact CEO Jack Cooper at 655-3066 or me at 784-2617. My email address is [rfaunce@megalink.net](mailto:rfaunce@megalink.net).

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existing funds, including the recently received \$10,000 State Planning Office Update Grant, a total of \$34,000 will be available to update the 1991 Comprehensive Plan. This money will be used for hiring consultants, conducting community forums, designing and implementing a Townwide opinion survey, printing, and other related activities. It is anticipated that the Comprehensive Plan update draft will be considered at Annual Town Meeting 2003.

Another important new program is Town financial support for a locally administered Milfoil Protection Program. The Town is being asked to help supplement privately raised funds to hire a part-time ranger specifically charged with Milfoil and other invasive aquatic plant monitoring and boater education. It is anticipated that significant private financial contributions as well as assistance from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection will help fund the total cost of this new position.

The Conservation Commission is proposing an open space reserve. This fund would be dedicated to the future acquisition of significant conservation and/or open space areas for resource protection, recreation, and for other municipal purposes. The objective of the fund is to build financial capacity in a reserve account that would only be drawn upon for land purchases subject to individual Town Meeting approval. The establishment of such a fund could also be used as a source of matching money for such programs as the Land for Maine's Future Program.

**Capital Improvement Plan.** Another significant change is the restructuring of the Capital Improvement Program. The Plan is now focused on a five-year projection, 2002-2007, concentrating on major non-recurring expenditures for facilities, special projects, and equipment. Capital improvements by definition are normally relatively expensive budget items that have a long useful life and result in a fixed asset. This year's CIP Budget includes the first payment on the new Public Safety Building as well as a new Capital Reserve Account projecting a five-year financial plan for fire and rescue equipment. Building maintenance is also a part of the Capital Improvement Program, with several improvements planned this year for the District Two Fire Station. These improvements include a new roof, exterior painting, proper insulation, and repairs to gutters and downspouts. All road reconstruction expenses are now shown in the Capital Improvement section of the Budget. Road reconstruction includes reclaiming and resurfacing of paved roads. In fiscal year 2002/2003, work will be performed on the Cape Road, North Raymond Road, Ledge Hill Road, and Tower Road. Another Public Works expenditure within the Capital Budget is the replacement of the Town's present 1995 one-ton truck. The new truck will be lease purchased over a three-year period.

One of the more far-reaching and important initiatives within the Capital Improvement Plan is funding for a Town-wide revaluation. The last total revaluation (land and buildings) was completed in 1989.

**Waterline.** In the Tax Increment Finance District area of the Budget, funding is proposed to repay the long-term debt to be issued related to the construction of an extension to the Portland Water District Waterline from Windham into Raymond. The waterline extension will enable EmbedTech to create approximately 40 new jobs and an estimated \$3.1 million in new property and personal property valuation. The tax revenue from this new development will be dedicated to project debt retirement. The long-term debt incurred by the Town is also reduced by a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant received from the State Department of Economic and Community Development. The waterline extension was the subject of two separate Town Meetings over the past year with voters approving installation along the Route 302 corridor to the junction of Main Street (Route 121), then along Main Street to the new Public Safety Building.

**Route 302 Improvement.** In the TIF Budget, money will also be set aside for long-term debt associated with the proposed Route 302 Improvement Project. The project,

## Support the Open Space Reserve Fund

**By: Elizabeth Algeo, Raymond Conservation Commission**

The Conservation Commission has requested that the Town establish and seed an Open Space Reserve Fund. This fund will be administered by the Town for the conservation of land for public use. The main goal of this program is to preserve large, contiguous parcels of undeveloped land that are valued by Raymond citizens for their recreational, aesthetic and/or ecological assets.

The 1991 Comprehensive Plan reported that residents wanted to preserve the rural character of Raymond. Raymond currently boasts the large wooded 'open' spaces that help define 'rural'. However, these will fragment and diminish... permanently... as the town develops.

*Planning can have a positive effect on the character of a town. Raymond residents must contemplate and participate in the planning questions presented by the Comprehensive Planning Committee. Otherwise, we can expect Raymond to lose the rural character that many of us value.*

Preservation of rural character can be achieved, in part, by conserving land. Current development is consuming more than 100 acres of Raymond land per year. If residents are interested in saving certain tracts that are meaningful, or best reflect our rural character, NOW is the time to act.

Land prices are only rising, and it will only cost MORE to preserve land in the future.

The requested \$20,000 annual seed money for this Fund is crucial in that it will inspire private donations and give the Town immediate buying power when a worthy project arises. The purposes of the seed money are to:

- Allow the Town to purchase or support the preservation of Open Space parcels. The existence of a reserve will allow the Town to participate in land acquisition negotiations as they arise.
- Provide municipal matching funds in support of State or private grants to purchase land or conservation easements. Our proposal to the Land for Maine's Future program for the purchase of parcels near the Morgan Meadow Wildlife Management Area will require municipal support to succeed.
- Provide incentive to private donors to contribute to land conservation in Raymond.

This fund will serve as a healthy foundation for project-specific fund-raising AND will demonstrate to granting entities that Raymond is committed to land conservation. Seeding of the Open Space Reserve Fund is critical to the success of this program. Please attend Town Meeting on May 18th and support this warrant article.



*Groundbreaking ceremony at the site of the new firestation on Main Street.*

which will be subject to Special Town Meeting approval sometime during the summer, will authorize the Town to partner with the Maine Department of Transportation and complete a total rehabilitation of the Route 302 corridor. Major elements of the proposed work include curb-to-curb overlay, drainage improvements and several pedestrian and vehicle safety improvements including a reduction in the overall number of curb cuts. A sidewalk will be installed as a part of the project, with attractive landscaping added along the route. Proceeds of a Community Gateways Grant, obtained with assistance from Rep. Joe Bruno, will also be utilized for acquiring and installing benches along the sidewalk.

Detailed information about the 2002/2003 Municipal Budget may be obtained from Town Manager Don Willard or Finance Director Elizabeth Cummings prior to Town Meeting.

### Please Help Save Raymond Founders Day!

Raymond Founders Day may not happen this year unless we get some volunteers.

We are having one last meeting. This meeting will determine if Founders Day will take place this year.

When: Saturday, May 4th

Time: 9:00a.m.

Where: Jordan-Small Middle School Cafeteria.

Please come and support your community!

## Raymond Elementary School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

### Grade 3 Honors

Elliot Valente  
Nicole Murray  
Beau Rampino  
Samuel Mayer  
Cory Parker  
Frank Benedict  
Matthew Morse  
Sonya Stevens  
Christopher Macdonald  
Bryan Peterson  
Tyler Remalia  
Amanda Ross  
Benjamin Sadak  
Lindsay Webber  
Justin Winslow  
A.J. Bennett  
Spencer Brown  
Jennifer Cobb  
Kyle Hargreaves  
Olivia Hurd  
Delaney Kenny  
Abigail Morneault  
Sarah Tripp  
Deanna Weeks  
Cameron White  
Tyler Winde  
Clayton Rowe  
Drew Gagnon  
Alex Parker  
Jenna Martyn-Fisher  
Anthony J. Edgecomb  
Colin Gordan  
Molly Cloutier

Jackie Guiseley  
Alex O'Neill  
Madison Rankin  
Lauren Trickey  
Cassandra Gordan

### Grade 4 Honors

Ben Algeo  
Caroline Blake  
Ashley Cox  
Haley Desjardins  
Anna Klinkerch  
A.J. Olsen  
Marybeth Wiley  
Dean Darien  
James Plummer  
John Scripture  
Justin Terry  
Chelsea Tevanian  
Jordan Baker  
Kaitlyn Chandler  
Zac Knights  
Hannah Lachance  
Katie Lentine  
Joshua Leviness  
Dustin Libby  
Nathaniel Ohman  
Julia Trepanier  
Anthony Dighello  
Jenna Eastman  
Ethan Ward  
Megan Stevenson  
Amber Gillis  
Devin Mackenzie  
Abby Brockelbank  
Jordan Flynn  
Patty Haycock  
Tim Tapley

### Grade 3 High Honors

Lydia Manchester  
Weston Masi  
Elizabeth Shively  
Samantha Zawistowski  
Haley Acker  
Daniel Connor  
Mollisa Keane Dryer

### Grade 4 High Honors

Emily Dodge  
Sam Hutchinson  
Abbie Mcivor

## Raymond Why do you live here?

Ten years ago the Town Meeting approved a Comprehensive Plan authorized by the Select Board to help guide the governance and growth of the town during the coming decade. As in other towns and cities our plan is a statement of the community's goals and vision for its future and was based on an examination of its problems, resources, strengths and opportunities. Now following the 2000 census the attention of the Comprehensive Plan Committee (CPC) is focusing again on the ideas framed in that plan and assessing its outcomes in preparation for considering how it may need to be updated to plan for the next ten to twenty years. The CPC has gathered inventories this winter about changes in the town related to the plan. The committee's next task is to discover what Raymond citizens feel now are their current needs and hopes for the future.

We hope everyone who values our town and the experience of living here will participate in a variety of opportunities to convey to the CPC your current wishes, hopes and apprehensions about Raymond and its future. We start with the broad, four-part vision questionnaire below, which can also be answered at the web site, sent to the Town Office, or given to the committee members at the Raymond Elementary School after Town Meeting. We trust this will start your thinking in preparation for a variety of focused gatherings in neighborhoods, meetings with various organizations and open town forums, and possibly for a more detailed survey later.

Town of Raymond Comprehensive Plan Survey May, 2002

1. For you, what is it that makes Raymond a special place in which to live?
2. What are the two or three most important qualities to you about this community?
3. What changes would you not want to see occur in Raymond over the next 10-20 years?
4. What would make Raymond an even better place in which to live?

## Odyssey Of The Mind

By: Deb. DeDeo, GT Coordinator

On Saturday, April 6th, Odyssey of the Mind teams from Raymond Elementary and Jordan-Small Middle Schools competed at Bates College in Lewiston. Over 100 schools participated in this statewide competition! The Odyssey of the Mind program is a creative problem-solving program for kids. The program taps into creativity by encouraging imaginative paths to problem solving. Each team is made up of four to seven kids. The team chooses a long-term problem to work on in preparation for competition. The teams are judged on how well they solve this problem as well as their style in solving the problem. They are also judged on their ability to respond to a spontaneous problem as a group. Teams are formed in the late fall and work until competition time in early spring. This year the Raymond School Department sent two teams to the competition. Teams are placed in divisions based on age. Each team has a coach whose job it is to facilitate, not provide answers to their team's long term problem!

The RES team competed in a long-term problem called "On Center Stage". This problem focused on drama and had the kids creating their own play to solve their problem. Our team's creation was based on the story of Pandora's Box. The girls did an outstanding job of performing their solution in the 8 minutes allotted time. Lyzz Stevenson, Ali Gordan, and Alison Gagnon of JSMS participated on this team along with Megan Stevenson, Cassie Gordan, and Haley Desjardins of RES. Finishing in an impressive 8th place, this team had the difficult task of competing against students in the 8th grade. Taking these girls from

start to finish was Scott Gordan who did an outstanding job volunteering his time and resources as the team's coach!

The Jordan-Small Middle School team participated in the long-term problem known as The Chameleon. This team designed and made a self-operating vehicle that, as a chameleon does, changed colors to fit into the changing environment. Hannah Whitcher, Amanda Hammett, Bridget Byrne, and Harmony Brown spent 5 months engineering their vehicle, and the hard work paid off. Our team finished fourth in their division! This is quite an accomplishment for their first year in competition! JJ Burns and Wyndham Juneau also contributed to the team along with coach Diana Solomon. Along with their fourth place finish, this team also received a special "Omer" award. This award recognized the team for their hard work and perseverance for competing on Saturday in the absence of their coach.

Thanks go to our coaches for putting in their time and efforts and to the team members for the fine job they did in representing our schools! Additionally, thanks go to Brenda Stevenson and Jess Berry. Brenda volunteered her time to serve as a judge on the day of competition, and Jess was a volunteer for the program, helping out with the teams. Special thanks to Phil Hammett for stepping in to help our JSMS team and coaching them on competition day!

Odyssey of the Mind has been a great experience for all involved. Adults and students have learned valuable life lessons while calling on their creativity to solve problems as a team. Rumor has it there's already talk about next year!

## Jordan-Small Middle School Recreation Area Update

### Phase One Fundraising nearing goal of \$20,080!

Raymond, once again you did it! As of March 25th \$19,400 has been raised for the effort to create an outdoor environment that will serve the children of JSMS for years to come!

### Deadline approaching for Brick Fundraiser!

May 15th is the deadline for sending in your forms to buy a brick and leave a lasting impression by seeing your name engraved on a brick in the path at JSMS. You can download forms at [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org) or pick up from the school office.

### Carwash Fundraiser @ Wal-mart: May 11<sup>th</sup>

Please support a student carwash at the North Windham Wal-mart. It is not too late to volunteer to help. Call Sue Cobb, 655 3108.

### Phase Two Moving Ahead for Fall 2002

Plans for Phase Two are as follows:

Soccer goals for recreation area.  
Basketball backboards.  
1 1/2" topcoat for basketball court.  
Bleacher for basketball area.  
Paved circular walking path.  
Shelter for tables.

The estimated cost of phase two will be offset by any donated materials in phase one.

### We gratefully acknowledge the following donations:

Alan W. Faraday

Elizabeth M. Shively: In honor of Edward Shively: Former School Board and Building Committee Member.

If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to JSMS Recreation Area and mail to Jordan-Small Middle School, 423 Webbs Mills Rd, Raymond, ME 04071

### JSMS Students raise \$1000 in Penny Points

We counted 60,000 pennies and much loose change that was apparently lying around in your houses! A big thank you to student volunteers who stayed after school to help count: Logan Martyn-Fisher, Robyn Stillings, Kristin Murray, Andrew O'Neill, Steven Lentine, Nick Grekin, Breanna Eidis, Ian Levinsky, Kurt and Phoebe Crockett, Sarah Crockett, Julia Hartig, Duva Renick, Linda O'Neill, Karen Knight, Helene Gagnon, Julie Orsini, Jeri Keane, Susan Brown.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

Mrs. Taiani's class: Class trip to a Seadogs baseball game.  
Mr. Fitch's class: A splash party at St. Joseph's College.  
Ms. Ouellette's class: A class trip to Westerly Winds Sports Park / Sunset Ridge Golf.

Grateful thanks to the above businesses for providing the prizes.

### District II Elementary Music Festival Concessions

Many thanks to all the people who baked for or worked at the concession stand. Your support not only raised money for the recreation area but also ensured that the festival was a great success!



Thank you to all who have participated in fundraising for Phase One. We are excited to move forward with Phase Two earlier than anticipated. Phase One is scheduled for installation August 10th, and we hope to install soccer goals and backboards before school opens next fall.

## Raymond Recreation Youth Group News

**By: Candi Scripture**

This group was created by Raymond sixth graders four years ago, originally to provide local recreation activities to keep them tied to each other and this community as they transitioned out to other schools. 33 students hammered out a basic foundation, which we still rely on to this day. The basic expectations to participate are: students must sign and adhere to a behavior contract, parents assume responsibility for their children and are expected to help, when necessary. We try to keep our events local and affordable (\$10.00 and under). We are fortunate to be with Raymond Recreation Association; our affiliation enables us to gain access to school facilities. Depending on the activity and number of adult chaperones, we try to open some activities to teens who may not want to be "bound" by a "contract". In these cases, we rely on pre-registration; teens are given and must meet the deadlines given.

Since our start, we have evolved into community service and have raised awareness for all teens in Raymond, regarding local needs or opportunities. To date, the

following teens have donated over 300 local community service hours, have attended various meetings to advocate, and are the remaining "core" members: Teddy Greeley, Andrew Hartig, Sam Lobel, Tom Miranda, Clint Randall, Amanda Scripture and Matt Waisanen. Amanda and Matt have each provided over 75 hours of service for Raymond, and received special recognition last year. The students receive a verified summary of their hours, in hopes that they can benefit from scholarships.

Last year, Gail Wasanen and I were able to organize a Youth Day for all teens. Due to the amount (or lack of!) time, energy and effort to pull off such a feat, we will instead offer several mini-workshops for teens, grades 8-12, based on their interests. We will only pursue each workshop if a minimum of five participants can be assured. Here are the following "confirmed" possibilities: a two-hour class for teens to learn how to maintain proper oil capacity and tire pressure of their vehicles; regular weekly craft classes through the summer with a craft sale at summer's end (great for those looking for a "real job" alternative); a 2 hour workshop on yard-work, for those seeking yard jobs this

summer. "Fun stuff" confirmed: two game/music nights, two bowling parties for the summer.

Thanks to Sue Carr, who has offered to help oversee our current 8th grade students, we are looking for an additional 5-10 "core" 8th graders, to be actively involved and help with networking and planning. If you are a teen from Raymond who wants to be involved or to receive notice of planned activities, please contact me @ 655-5368 or e-mail: candi@pivot.net. Beginning next month, we will be providing tidbits of interest that may be of help to our teens in the Road Runner. Gail & I accumulated a lot of information for last year's event. Topics for May will be tips for finding a summer job and benefits of community service.

As I close, I'd like to thank those who have supported our efforts the past four years: Pat Smith of Raymond Rec., Lori Rand of Communities For Children, Raymond PTA, Linda Afthim of Beacon Lanes, Charlie Leavitt, Mark Cyr, Bob Higgins, Jo Martyn-Fisher. And to the class of 2004: you may never know the total effect you have had on so many people here in town. Even though you now "tower" above Gail & me, it's been fun watching you all grow.

## Jamie Fey Receives MPA Principal's Award

HEBRON, ME-Jamie Fey of Raymond, a senior at Hebron Academy, has been selected to receive the 2002 Principal's Award, Head of School John King announced today. The award, sponsored by the Maine Principal's Association, is given in recognition of a high school senior's academic achievement and citizenship.

Throughout her high school tenure, Jamie has been one of Hebron Academy's top students, each year distinguishing herself in academics, athletics and other leadership roles within our community. This includes representing Hebron at Middlebury's Breadloaf Young Writer's Conference last spring, captaining her field hockey team for the past two years and serving as a dormitory proctor in her senior year, to name a few of her achievements. Jamie very much deserves this recognition and we, as a school, are very proud of her.

Jamie Fey, John King and other award winners and their principals will attend an Honors Luncheon at the Bangor Civic Center on Saturday, April 6, 2002, at 1:00 p.m.

The Honors Luncheon recognizes these outstanding students with the presentation of an individual plaque and the awarding of five \$1,000 scholarships in the names of Horace O. McGowan and Richard W. Tyler. Mr. McGowan and Mr. Tyler were former Maine principals and executive directors of the Association.

The Principal's Award is presented in more than 141 Maine public and private high schools by member principals of the MPA, the professional association which represents Maine's school administrators.

## Mentoring Program Looks Ahead

The first year of the Mentoring Partnership is drawing to a close in June, but we still have plenty to do: community service projects, discussions with a local firefighter and police officer, art projects, and hopefully an end of the year camping or paddle trip.

With our funding from the state Office of Substance Abuse ending in June, we have begun our search for resources to continue building these important relationships between kids and adults in the community. Our approach is to balance grant funding with local support. If you would like to help us continue this program, consider sponsoring a child with a donation or becoming a mentor next fall (our program runs with the school calendar). Staff members will be contributing more volunteer time next year, so most of the funding will go toward program activities to encourage healthy, creative and cultural experiences. To learn more about us, call Eileen Stiles at 655-4193, Lori Rand at 655-4277 or our office number at RES, 655-8672, ext. 107. Our mailing address is Raymond Elementary School, 434 Webbs Mills Road.

## Raymond Elementary School Report

**By: Norma Richard, Principal**

Grandparents Day at the Raymond Elementary School will be held on Friday, May 10, from 8:30-11:00am. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and staff to share our school with the grandparents who are such an important part of the children's lives. Grandparents will register in the front lobby and then attend classes with their grandchildren. There is a special Good News from 10:00-11:00 AM in the gym, where students in Kindergarten, Grade 1, and Mrs. Tarr's and Mrs. Parisi's second grades will perform for our special guests. We look forward to a very special Grandparents Day 2002.

We are now completing kindergarten screening for children entering in the fall of 2002. Incoming kindergarten children and their parents are invited to attend our Kindergarten Concert on May 7 at 1:30 PM in the gym. After the concert, the children will be treated to snacks and a visit with the kindergarten children and teachers. I hope that all children and parents are able to attend this very fun afternoon. Please do not hesitate to call me at 655-8672 extension 400 if you have any questions about the May 7 concert or other issues regarding kindergarten.

This year we are happy to be enjoying an early spring, and that means that children are already riding their bikes and scooters. Students are now required by Maine law to wear a properly fitted bike helmet when riding bikes or scooters. They should also be properly outfitted when using skateboards or roller blades. For parents and community members seeking bike helmet and other safety equipment, Maine Coalition for Safe Kids is a wonderful resource for schools and community groups when it comes to preventing childhood injuries. They provide training programs and are a great source for low cost safety devices for your homes. For more information on programs or equipment, contact them at 861-3377 or e-mail at mainesafekids@msn.com.

The annual Raymond Town Meeting will be held at the Raymond Elementary School on Saturday, May 18, starting at 10:00 AM. We are happy to provide babysitting services in the school library during Town Meeting. We hope to see many school parents and community members on May 18. On behalf of the children, teachers, and staff, I want to thank members of our community for their continuing support of education in Raymond.

## Urgent Plea For Your Help

**By: Pat Smith**

We are at risk of losing our summer swim program. I am asking for your help in spreading our message through your community network. After advertising and interviews, we still are looking for an instructor. We are hoping that "word of mouth" advertising through our community may produce candidates for the job. Please tell others about the following:

**Summer job available for Red Cross  
Water Safety Instructor.**

**Great summer opportunity for Raymond  
youth, minimum age 17.**

**\$10.00 per hour  
WSI training paid by RRA**

**Also seeking:  
Non Teaching Parent Volunteers**

**Paid Instructor aids - minimum age 16  
and must have certification**

**Contact Pat at 655-4657 for more  
information.**

## Jordan-Small Middle School Math Team Soars At Pine Tree League Math Meet!

On Thursday, March 29, 2002, fourteen students from JSMS went to the end-of-the-year Math Meet at Pownal Elementary School. After the long wait for the results, our 6th grade team took home 1st place ribbons for the team round. Our 7th grade team took home 2nd place for the team results. Our 8th grade team also took home 2nd in team competition and swept the individual round with top scores by Keegan Brown, T.J. Cook, and Kainani Stevens. In the league meet attended by 14 league schools JSMS achieved an overall 2nd place finish.

### 6th Grade Team Members

Kees Van Haasteren  
Chad Zawistowski  
Kyle Woodbrey  
April Cox

### 7th Grade Team Members

James Wiley  
Amamda Hammett  
Andrew Reed  
Andy Bissonnette

### 8th Grade Team Members

Stephen Wisutskie  
T.J. Cook  
Keegan Brown  
Ian Acker  
Kainani Stevens

\*JSMS does not have 8<sup>th</sup> graders this year and thus 7<sup>th</sup> graders competed in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade division!

## Students Share Kieve Experiences!

At the end of February, 6th grade students at Jordan-Small Middle School participated in the Kieve Leadership Decisions Institute. Here are three of their perspectives:

### Kieve

**By: Michael Orsini**

Kieve is a program that represents the Leadership Decisions Institute of Maine. The Kieve councilors came to our school on February 26th, 27th, and 28th. During that time they taught us how you make decisions, the right decisions. The Kieve camp has been around for a long time even though some people haven't heard of it. It has been around since 1926, about 76 years.

Some of the activities we participated in were adventure class, communications class, and a relationship class. To make these classes fun, the teachers incorporated their teaching into the games.

One of my favorite classes was adventure class. In this class we climbed a thirty-foot high rock wall. When we did this we learned a simple but important rule "challenge by choice", which means that you have the choice of when and how high you wanted to climb. We also learned to trust our teammates on the belaying team to make sure we didn't fall. This game definitely showed me that I could trust my peers as much as my best friends.

Another one of my favorite activities was the communications class. We learned how to be clear and effective communicators. We learned how to do this using the seven basic "rules" of communications. Ask questions about the topic, speak loud and clear, make eye contact, listen, restate the question, think before you speak and avoid distractions. When Kieve was over I noticed that a lot of people were better communicators.

So now you have heard some of the good things about the great Kieve program. I think that those three days were some of the best educational experiences that I have ever completed. All in all, Kieve is a great program that should be able to visit all middle schools. Many other students are not as lucky as those are at Jordan-Small Middle School.

### My Kieve Experience

**By: Patrick Ross**

Several weeks ago the entire sixth grade at Jordan-Small Middle School participated in a three-day program called Kieve. Kieve is the Leadership Decisions Institute or L.D.I. Kieve has been teaching many things to kids since 1926. We learned about courage, perseverance and loyalty in a series of activities. For example, we learned courage and perseverance on the climbing wall because it took a lot of courage, and we had to realize that to make it to the top, we couldn't give up. We learned about loyalty in relationships

## Jordan-Small Middle School Softball/Baseball Schedule 2002

Please join the students and staff of Jordan-Small Middle School for the upcoming Softball and Baseball seasons! All home Softball games are played at our new field at Raymond Elementary School. All Baseball games are played at the field at Mill Street. We look forward to having your support!

Date	Time: 4:00pm
4/30	Pownal at Raymond
5/1	Buckfield at Raymond
5/2	Raymond at Durham
5/7	Minot at Raymond
5/9	Raymond at Mc Falls
5/11	Raymond at Richmond
5/13	Raymond at Holy Cross
5/14	Hebron at Raymond
5/16	Raymond at Wales (4:30 p.m. start, game played at Oak Hill H.S.)

\* All Games Start At 4:00 P.M. Unless Otherwise Listed

class. We learned about having respect for people with differences, and that it doesn't matter if others don't agree with you, that a person can still be your friend.

There were many different activities that we participated in over the three days that Kieve was here. My two favorite things that we did were the climbing wall and the human ladder. Let me explain more about the human ladder, because you probably already know about the climbing wall. The human ladder is when there are two rows of people facing each other. Each person holds one end of a stick, and each stick is held about three feet from the ground. One at a time each person at the end of the two rows steps onto the first stick and walks to the end. This was a good trust-building exercise for my classmates and me.

I think that my Kieve experience was really great and I'll never forget it. The lessons that we learned as a class will help us throughout our lives. I think that these lessons are just as important as Math, Science, English, Spanish, and Health. I think that I have learned a lot about being a good friend, how not to give up, and that a positive attitude can really pay off.

### Camp Kieve Comes To Raymond

**By: Ali Gordan**

"Kieve" - a Scottish word, meaning to strive in emulation of - to work hard to acquire skills, knowledge, and attitudes from others, so as to improve one's self.

From February 26 to February 28, 2002, a program called Camp Kieve came to Jordan-Small Middle School to work with the sixth grade class. The sessions were such a blast that for three straight days the sixth graders could not wait to get to school!

Camp Kieve began in 1926 as boys' camp on Damariscotta Lake, but it has branched out into many other programs since that time. One of those programs is the Leadership Decisions Institute (LDI), which was started in 1982. LDI is an educational program in which students learn through experience, and it is focused on junior high and middle school students. The LDI staff leads activities that combine physical challenges with group work to teach students to

## JSMS Brick Fundraiser

Brick orders are coming in which show the ingenuity and resourcefulness of Raymond residents. We not only have family names and business names but quotes, alumni and groups pooling their resources to make their mark. Some ideas so far:

THE GORE ROAD BUS STOP.  
"ALL YOU NEED IS LOVE"  
(CHILD'S NAME) CLASS OF 03  
(CHILD'S NAME) JSS ALUMNI 1986  
NEIGHBORHOOD NAME

TEACHERS NAME (An end of year appreciation gift from group?)

Use your imagination! Don't miss out on this unique opportunity. If we sell only 200 bricks we will be able to install soccer goals in the Recreation area this fall instead of waiting for Year Two!

Extra forms can be downloaded and printed from:  
www.raymondmaine.org

DEADLINE OF MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE HERE BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!

## Dribble... Drive... Score!!

**Come learn about Field Hockey!**

The new Raymond Field Hockey Club (under Raymond Recreation) now has new sticks, shin-pads, balls and goalie gear, thanks to a recent grant from the U.S. Field Hockey Association. We have scheduled a workshop for Saturday, May 11, 10am-noon at the RES field (rain date May 12, 1-3pm). So, all you 5th, 6th and 7th graders who want to learn more about this very cool sport should sign up in the office at JSMS and take home a registration form. You will need to have a completed registration form with you the day of the workshop. We'll have several experienced adults and high school players on hand to introduce some of the basic elements of the game. Next fall we are planning to offer practices twice a week as we start to build a program. For more information, call Suzie Brockelbank at 655-4915.

make responsible decisions concerning drugs, alcohol, relationships, and aspirations. There are LDI sessions conducted at the camp on Damariscotta Lake and at schools throughout Maine.

Camp Kieve brought six instructors, Harry, Ronnie, Tim, Jenn, Gretchen, and Maria, along with a thirty-five foot climbing wall. There were five themes to the program and we worked on each of them every day: Adventure, Decisions, Relationships, Communication, and Team Building. We did a lot of hands-on activities in these lessons, such as Stepping Stones, Giant Scrabble, T-shirt making, and Speed Rabbit. These were really fun, and we did not realize that we were learning something important until we got together and talked about what we had done. The games were a way of making the lessons more real. On the second night, the parents joined us, and also did some hands-on activities with us, such as a special game of tag, play-dough sculpting, and Speed Rabbit. It was pretty funny to see the parents running around the cafeteria like kids!

My favorite activity, though, was the climbing wall. I could not wait to climb it. It was awesome to be up so high, and I wanted to do it over again as soon as I finished. No one was forced to climb the wall. Everyone had a choice of three roles, a leader, climber, or supporter, and each role was necessary and important. What this meant was that even if you did not climb to the top, you could still feel a sense of achievement.

I learned a lot in addition to having a lot of fun. I have even used some of what I learned at home and at school. One of the most important lessons I learned was about taking safe and unsafe risks. I learned that when you take a safe risk you get more than you give, but when you take an unsafe risk, you give more than you get. I know that when I reached to top of the wall, which was a safe risk because of the leaders and supporters, I felt a tremendous sense of accomplishment and felt really good about my team and myself. Another lesson I learned was to state problems in "I messages". I really hope that we can make Camp Kieve a program that continues for other sixth graders, and I hope that the current sixth grade gets a chance to experience these lessons with Camp Kieve again. "Camp Kieve rocks!"

## NYA Honors

North Yarmouth Academy has announced the honor roll for the second trimester of the 2001-2002 academic year. The following Raymond students attained honor roll status.

### Highest Honors

Matthew Fortin, grade 12  
Benjamin White, grade 11  
Shawn Gagne, grade 10  
William Yates, grade 10  
Amanda Dodson, grade 9  
Renee Fortin, grade 9

### Honors

Elizabeth Crockett, grade 12  
Colleen Fasold, grade 11  
Abby Hutchinson, grade 11

## Timothy Curtis Completes Norwich University Leadership Challenge Weekend

Timothy Curtis from Hebron Academy has successfully completed Leadership Challenge Weekend held March 22 - 24 at Norwich University in Northfield, Vermont. Leadership Challenge Weekend is designed to expose college bound students to a military college and university life, while providing a worthwhile leadership experience through the development of individual leadership skills, self confidence and teamwork. Students learn how to become part of a team, communicate effectively, lead and follow. The intensive 2-day program included a Leadership Reaction course, leadership classes, physical fitness training, climbing wall, a short hike up the mountain, and water survival training. Students apply through the Office of Corps Recruitment at the university and must meet strict academic, character, and leadership requirements. Norwich University is America's first and oldest private military college.

Timothy Curtis is the son of Greg and Mariella Curtis of Raymond.

## Troop 800 Report

By Kyle Woodbrey, Troop Scribe

Our April theme was automotive related topics.

At our first troop meeting of the month, we worked on assembly skills. We learned positions like attention, at ease, salute, parade rest and when to use them. We also learned where to stand in line-up.

On Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> and Monday the 8<sup>th</sup> we had a patrol leader council, a scout leader meeting, and a troop committee meeting.

At the second troop meeting of the month, we had a presentation on milfoil by Roberta Hill from the Portland Water District. We were taught how to identify good or bad milfoil. We saw samples of four aquatic plants, studied them through magnifying glasses, and had to identify them when we were done. She did a Power Point presentation on an overhead projector on how to identify milfoil and methods of getting rid of it.

On Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> we had the milfoil clean up, the church clean up and the Wal-Mart car-wash. The water at the milfoil project was cold, but the volunteers wore rubber boots and insulated gloves. A few T.V. news stations were there to interview us. We used ropes to pull the buckets with a pulley back and forth across Dingley Brook on a 250 foot steel cable to speed up the milfoil removal process.



Pack 800 Cub Scouts and Troop 800 Boy Scouts at Battleship Cove in Fall River, Massachusetts

On the 20th and 21st of April the Cub Scouts invited the Boy Scouts to go on an overnight trip to Battleship Cove in Massachusetts. We explored the Battleship Massachusetts, the missile cruiser Hiddensee, the submarine Lionfish, and the destroyer Joseph Kennedy Jr. We slept on the Battleship Massachusetts and went to the Marine Museum. There was a special presentation at the Museum on knot tying, and we increased our knowledge of knots.

In the last part of April and the month of May we will be going on several campouts and continuing our Automotive theme.

To keep up to date on upcoming Troop 800 activities, check out the Troop's web pages on the Town's website at <http://www.raymondmaine.org> which includes information and things that the Scouts have been up to. To contact by phone: Tom Wiley, Scoutmaster, 655-2048, or John Hanley, Troop Committee Chair, 998-5304.

## Red Cross and Lions Club Blood Drive

Raymond Lions Club members will be calling Raymond residents to schedule appointments for their semi-annual Blood Drive in Raymond. Donations will be taken at the Jordan-Small Middle School gym on Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, from 1:30 – 7:30 PM. Please respond with a "Yes". If you are not home and a message is left on your machine, please call back and let us know what the best time is for you to donate.

Over 300 donations are needed every day to meet the needs of people here in Maine! Imagine being able to save lives, just by giving up an hour or so of your time and a pint of your blood. How many have given so much more than this to save a life, even the life of a stranger.

If you are at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health, you probably can donate a pint of blood and save a life.

If a Lions Club member does not call you and you would like to donate that day, please call Phyllis Hawkes at 655-4070 to schedule a time that is convenient for you.

## Raymond Lions Club & Raymond Village Library Open House

Everyone is invited to attend the Raymond Lions Club Open House, Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>, at the Raymond Village Library from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM.

The library will be displaying its collection of large print and audio books purchased with donations from the local Lions Club primarily for residents with vision problems.

The Lions Club will have information, articles and photos on what it has done in the community over the last seven years. These range from the 1<sup>st</sup> Lions Golf Tournament where the proceeds went toward the library's addition to the high-tech vision screening camera the Lions use to check children for vision problems that can lead to "lazy eye" and monocular blindness. The Lions have also worked with local groups to help those groups raise funds and with Raymond Rescue to provide bicycle safety checks and helmets for youngsters.

The Lions Club is always seeking people who would like to combine their efforts with those of others to make Raymond and the world a better place for everyone. Come and see what the Lions have to offer. Come and see what the library has to offer.

For more information, please call Dale Gilman at 655-4114 or Bob Jones at 655-7163.

## Benefit Dance

Hi. My name is Cassidy, and I live in Raymond. Last May Uncle Matt had a diving accident and broke his neck, so he can't walk now. He needs a special van that costs a lot of money. To help him get his van, I am going to have a family dance for moms, dads and kids on Saturday June 1, 2002, at the Newbegin Center, Main Street, in Gray. It will be a 60's sock hop (no hard soled shoes allowed in the gym), so dress up in your poodle skirt, rolled up jeans, pony tails and leather jackets (moms and dads too!) We will give prizes for best outfits, have dance contests, and hold a 50/50 raffle for the kids (25 cents/chance). There

will also be sodas and treats to eat while you are there as well as token corsages and picture taking.

The cost is \$5.00 per ticket. The gym only holds 100 people, so you can buy tickets ahead of time by calling my mom at 655-7635 or emailing her at [egaudet@maine.rr.com](mailto:egaudet@maine.rr.com). We expect to sell all tickets before the dance, so call early! All children must be accompanied by an adult. It will be a great night to dance and have family time. All proceeds will go to my Uncle Matt's fund.

Hope to see you there!

## Raymond Lions Club 7th Annual Golf Scramble and Luncheon

Saturday, June 1, 2002  
FAIRLAWN COUNTRY CLUB  
Poland, Maine

SCHEDULE  
8:00 AM Check in  
9:00 AM Shotgun-start-SCRAMBLE FORMAT

\*\*luncheon, awards, and prizes immediately following conclusion of play.

### AWARD CATEGORIES

Cash prizes awarded for top three teams using the scramble format. Prizes also given for the longest drive and closest to the pin. Major prizes for hole-in-one on the par 3 holes.

Registration of all foursomes requested on or before May 18, 2002, to allow time in grouping individual players. You are urged to register early due to limited number of carts and players allowed in this event.

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT RAYMOND LIONS CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

2002 REGISTRATION & ENTRY  
RAYMOND LIONS CLUB SCRAMBLE  
JUNE 1, 2002

\$50.00/PERSON or \$190.00/FOURSOME

INCLUDES:

18 HOLES OF GOLF  
POWER CART  
LUNCHEON/CASH BAR

\$275.00/CORP

INCLUDES:

4 PLAYERS  
HOLE SPONSORSHIP

NAME ADDRESS PHONE

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Mail completed entry form and payment to:  
RAYMOND LIONS CLUB SCRAMBLE, P.O. BOX 1057, Raymond, Maine 04071  
For information call Kathi Jones @ 655-3635