



RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

TOWN OF RAYMOND - JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER



All Property Tax Exemption applications such as Homestead and Veterans are due by July 31, 2021

Please drop off or mail to:
401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond ME 04071
Attention Assessing Department

Main Street Project Update

The Town of Raymond has received the final agreement needed from the MDOT to start the bidding process for the Main Street Sidewalk Project. As we are already well into the 2021 construction season and have 36 months to complete the project a decision has been made to SOLICIT BIDS THIS FALL AND START THE PROJECT IN SPRING 2022.

Community Wildfire Protection Program's free day of chipping

This week the Maine Forest Service (MFS) provided a free day of chipping as part of our Community Wildfire Protection Program to reduce risk of wildfire in Raymond.

They began with this program about two years ago by performing risk assessments in the town and identifying risk levels and formulating a risk reduction plan. This is an ongoing program in partnership with the Raymond Fire and Rescue Department and Maine Forest Service to reduce risk for the community.

They look forward to expanding this program in the years to come. They can provide educational programs for road associations and civic groups, and other groups throughout the year and will establish a day each Spring for a Community Wildland Fire Preparedness Day in partnership with MFS, RFRD, the NFPA and State Farm Insurance.

We live in the Urban Wildland interface or where our homes are built into or are near the forest. We Mainers love our trees and privacy, but Raymond



has experienced two multiple building fires recently which spread via the woods and flammable landscaping materials to other buildings, damaging or destroying them.

In the past five years Maine has experienced an increase of 33% of wildland fires. This spring four buildings were damaged or destroyed due to an Urban Wildland Interface fire. In 2018, another fire spread through the wooded area around a home, burning a second home and threatening others. We must work together to mitigate the risk and assist you with simple low-cost methods to protect your property and lower the possibilities of these fires damaging your home or camp.

They look forward to working with area citizens to expand this program and create a more resilient and safer community.

To receive more information or set up a meeting with a group please call Raymond Fire Rescue at 655-1187 Chief Bruce Tupper, or the Maine Forest Service, Forest Ranger, Specialist Kent Nelson 287-4989.

JOIN THE RAYMOND FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT!

They are a combination department consisting of full time and on call personnel and are looking for a few good people to join their team!

If you want to make a big difference in the lives of our citizens and visitors call 655-1187 for more info and to receive an application for the BASIC FIREFIGHTER ACADEMY IN THE FALL.



A physical & background check must be successfully completed.

DID YOU KNOW?



You can honor a veteran friend or relative by having a PERSONALIZED PAVER PLACED at Veterans Memorial Park.

The order form can be found at: raymondmaine.org/content/veterans-memorial-park
There are several sizes available.

Donations for flags & flowers are also greatly appreciated.



Family Fun, Fitness, and Film Festival

Thursday, August 26th

5:30-10PM @ Tassel Top Park, Raymond

This FREE event provides resources for staying healthy by offering various activities and more!

Enjoy this outside event intended to help us connect, socialize & have fun!

Ongoing stage events & entertainment: Family Feud Contest, Name that Disney Tune Contest, Exercise Demos, Maine Dance Center & Toy Story 4 showing at dusk!

PLUS, Yoga on the Beach, Mindfulness Sessions, Glenn Simpson's Art Puzzle Project, DARE to Adventure Kayak flipping, Scavenger Hunt & more!

Grand Prize Drawing for attendees: An overnight at the AC Marriott Motel on the Portland Waterfront.



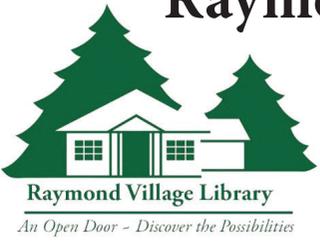
Snack Shack will be open!



Event sponsored by:



Raymond Village Library News



New Summer Hours

Monday 9am-6pm
 Tuesday 9am – 12pm (senior hours), 12pm – 6pm
 Wednesday 9am – 6pm
 Saturday 9am – 4pm

There is still time to check out this month's featured artist!

SANDRA CROWELL

Sandra Crowell has appreciated creativity since birth. She has an Associates Degree in Graphic Arts from Central Maine Community College, and a Bachelor in Visual Arts from Sierra Nevada College. She has studied with Murad Sayen of South Paris for many years, and has continued study through various Artists and workshops. For more work, please visit Harvest Gold Gallery in Lovell Maine.

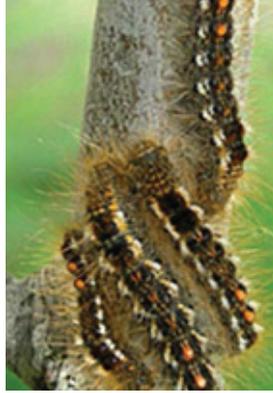


She also enjoys beekeeping, foraging, gardening, and just being outside. Her art is inspired by her love of nature with hopes that the viewer will feel the bonds we all share in our wonderful world.

Activities and events are underway again, check out the Library Calendar for more offerings at: www.raymondvillagelibrary.org/events

THE BROWNTAIL MOTH CATERPILLARS ARE HERE!

Browntail Moth caterpillars have poisonous, irritating hairs that can cause a blistering rash similar to poison ivy when people come into contact with them. The hairs also can cause respiratory distress if people breathe them in.



The moth has been declared a public health nuisance in the state by the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

BROWNTAIL MOTH PREVENTION TIPS

- Dry your laundry inside during the summer months to help to avoid clothing, towels, and sheets from being covered with their barbed hairs.
- If you ever come into contact with these caterpillars or their hairs, change your clothing and take a cool shower. Wash the area gently with soap and water.
- If the area itches, put on a paste of baking soda and water. If that doesn't help, try a hydrocortisone cream or an antihistamine cream.



FALL SOCCER PROGRAM

Registrations now open at: Raymond.RecDesk.com

Grade Divisions:
 Coed 1st & 2nd Grade
 Boys 3rd & 4th Grade
 Girls 3rd & 4th Grade
 Boys 5th & 6th Grade
 Girls 5th & 6th Grade

Both 3rd-4th & 5th-6th Divisions will be playing in the Lakes Region Rec Soccer League



EARLY REGISTRATION:
 \$40
 July 8th to August 24th

LATE REGISTRATION:
 \$50
 August 25th to September 1st

WHERE IN RAYMOND ANSWER: Crescent Beach



Want to make an impact by volunteering? Choose "yes" to volunteering when registering your child!

Where IN RAYMOND?



Photo by Kaela Gonzalez

Kinder Kickz Instructional Soccer

Kinder Kickz is an instructional soccer program that will introduce the sport in a fun & engaging way. Parks and Rec staff will lead the session. Parent participation is required during certain drills & activities.

Early Program Fee: \$25 Raymond Residents
 Dates: Wednesdays, Sept. 15-October 20
 Time: 5:00PM to 5:45PM
 Where: Camp Agawam Fields

Register at:
Raymond.RecDesk.com

