

# RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

## TOWN OF RAYMOND - DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

# ATTENTION

## LAST-MINUTE SHOPPERS

**ARE YOU SCRAMBLING AROUND LAST MINUTE FOR THOUGHTFUL CHRISTMAS GIFTS?!?!**

**DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT RAYMOND'S BUSINESS DISTRICT WHERE YOU CAN SHOP AND SUPPORT LOCAL!!**

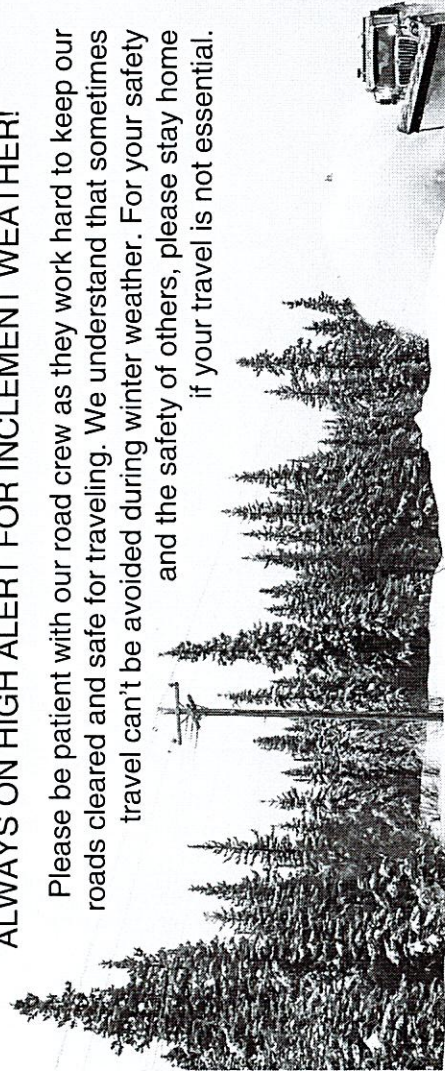
You'll find all your holiday needs from boutique shopping for jewelry, clothing, toys, fresh market goods & meats for your festive gatherings, tree trimmings & wrapping supplies, toys for the little ones, pet gear & supplies for your furry friends, coffee coffee coffee, nutritious drinks to keep you going, pizza & sandwiches for when you need an easy delicious bite, hair salons to have **you** feeling your best, & an endless supply of gift card opportunities for those hard to shop for people on your list!

**Shop local and support those making a difference in your community!!**

### PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR **WHERE** OUR PUBLIC WORKS CREW IS ALWAYS ON HIGH ALERT FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER!

Please be patient with our road crew as they work hard to keep our roads cleared and safe for traveling. We understand that sometimes travel can't be avoided during winter weather. For your safety and the safety of others, please stay home if your travel is not essential.



*If you have concerns or want to report poor road conditions due to weather, please call 653-3641 and speak to someone. DO NOT EMAIL. It may be more than 48 hours before an email is seen, especially during inclement weather.*

**LOOK OVER THE "WINTER SAFETY DRIVING TIPS" PROVIDED BY MAINE DOT FOR A REFRESHER ON DRIVING IN MAINE WINTER WEATHER!**

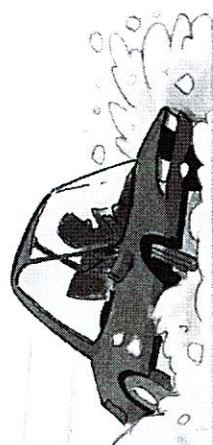


### MAINE DOT WINTER DRIVING TIPS

- **Avoid any sudden or excessive actions while steering, braking or accelerating so you don't lose control.**
- **Take it slow in ice and snow!**
  - Stopping on snow or ice without skidding requires extra time and distance. Drive slowly - below posted speed limits - so you can adjust to the conditions. This is especially true at intersections, off ramps, bridges and shady areas where black ice can form **& be** unnoticed.
- **Don't turn your four-wheel drive into an "off-road" vehicle!**
  - Four-wheel drive may help you get going faster but it doesn't help you stop sooner or maintain control better once you lose traction. Take it slow!
- **Allow extra room between vehicles.**
  - Longer stopping distances and extra time are required during winter conditions to avoid chain reaction crashes.
- **Don't take chances when pulling out in front of approaching vehicles.**
  - Remember, when the pavement is wet, you may not

be able to slow down and they may not be able to accelerate as quickly as **you** would on dry pavement.

- **Avoid using cruise control.**
  - You need to be in full control when roads are wet or icy. Don't let your cruise control make a bad decision for you.
- **Brake early, brake slowly, brake correctly and never slam on the brakes.**
  - If you have anti-lock brakes, press the pedal down firmly and hold it. If you don't have anti-lock brakes, gently pump the pedal.
- **Stay alert! Be aware**
  - Beware of what's going on well ahead of you. Other vehicles can alert you to problem spots on the road which may give you the split second you need to avoid a crash. Needless to say, you can't be alert if you're on the phone, so don't let yourself get distracted.

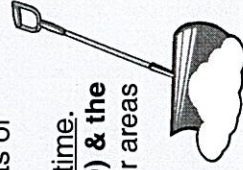


### Winter Sand & Salt Shed Open

Raymond residents are welcome to get small amounts of sand/salt for use on walkways and driveways.

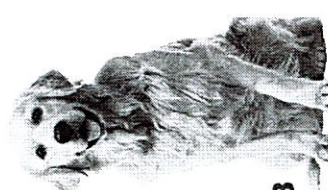
Please respect the limit of two 5-gallon buckets at a time. **The Sand and Salt Shed is located on Plains Rd (FL 89) & the gates are open from 7am-3pm, Monday-Friday.** All other areas and equipment remain off limits to the public.

*The shed is closed during snowstorms for safety and to allow the plow truck traffic to move freely.*

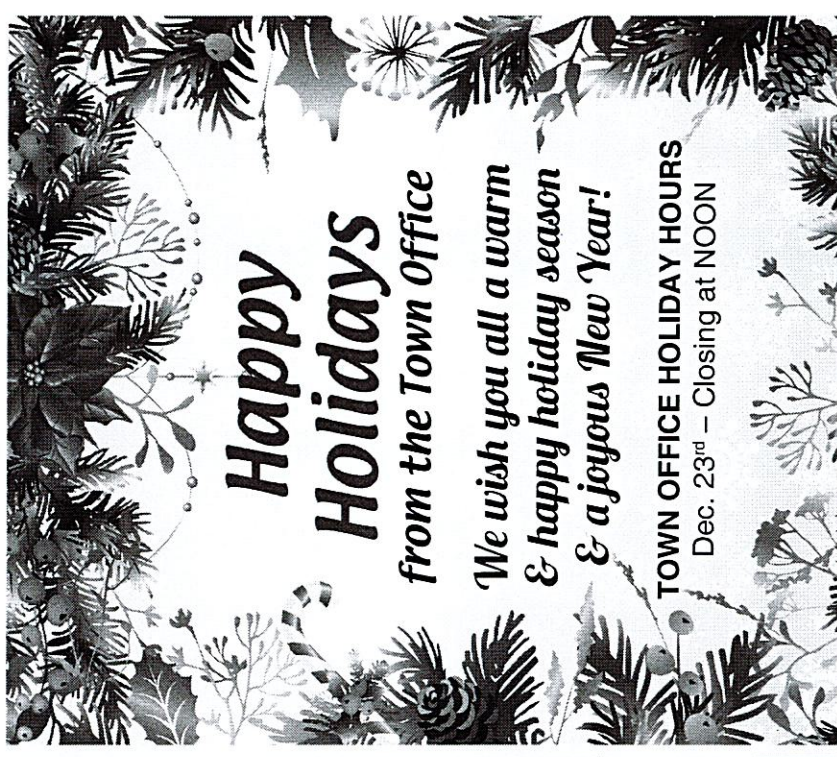


### 2023 DOG LICENSES

**Reminder:** 2022 Dog licenses expire on 12/31/22. You can license your furry friends in person at the Town Office or online at: [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org). There is a link on the home page for Dog Licensing under Online Transactions > Animal Welfare **on** the right-hand column **in**



**RENEWAL DEADLINE: JANUARY 31, 2023**  
*Renewals after this date will incur a \$25 late fee*

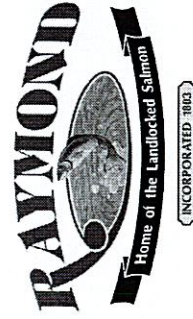


## Happy Holidays

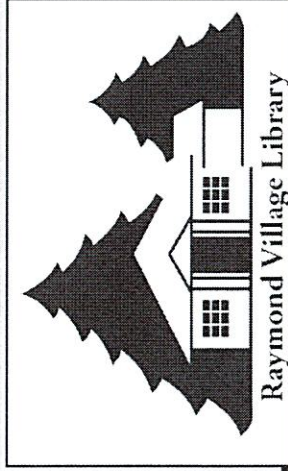
From the Town Office

We wish you all a warm & happy holiday season & a joyous New Year!

TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS  
Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup> - Closing at NOON



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Raymond Village Library

## NEWS & EVENTS

### THANK YOU

TO THE FOLLOWING PERFORMERS, ORGANIZATIONS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR THEIR PROGRAMMING SUPPORT THIS PAST FALL:

Mccoey Mrubata, Gary Wittner and Phil 'n the Blanks for the live music performances; Elizabeth Macalaster, Tim Caverly, Daren Worcester & William Livezey for providing live and hybrid author talks; John Facella and the Raymond Fire Department for the Fire Safety Day demonstrations & special story time, all our craft fair participants, volunteer bakers, and community members who donated candy in support of the Halloween event!

### Announcing the Friends of the Raymond Village Library!

The Raymond Village Library is now part of the Town of Raymond. This is great news for the library and the town! The former Board of Directors for the Raymond Village Library are creating a new organization: the Friends of the Raymond Village Library. The new Friends group will be committed to supporting the services and programs of the Raymond Village Library, hosting exciting events for the community, and increasing public awareness of the many benefits our library offers Raymond's growing community. **Membership will be open to anyone with a Raymond Village Library card.**

Our monthly meetings will be open to the public and, as a non-profit 501(c)(3), your membership fees and other contributions will be tax deductible.

### WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US IN OUR

MISSION! The Friends of the Raymond Village Library is looking for anyone who would like to help support our new organization. Email us at: friendsofraymondvillagelibrary@gmail.com if you are interested in donating your time or resources!

### Cookie Decorating

Wednesday, Dec. 21st

Decorate some yummy holiday cookies with Miss Karen! Pre-registration required.

### Book Group Event

Saturday, Jan. 21st • 2 - 4pm

Snow Date: January 28th

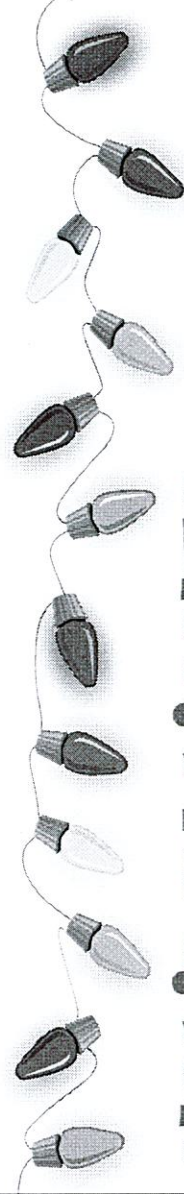
Celebrating the books of Canadian author Louise Penny, whose 18th book in the Inspector Gamache series, "A World of Curiosities," was released in Nov. Refreshments will be served while we gather and discuss Inspector Gamache and the people of the Village of Three Pines. Event is open to all. Join us and see why Louise Penny has so many fans and why everyone would like to live in Three Pines. Please pre-register.

### Senior Bingo

Tuesday, Jan. 10th • 10am - Noon

Pre-register to join us for Bingo, Snacks and Prizes.

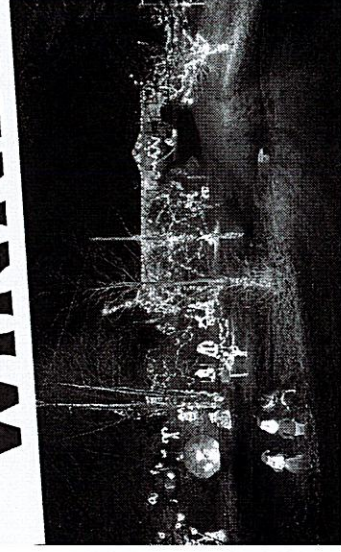
FMI or to register for any of these events call 207-655-4283, email: rvlidirector@gmail.com, visit raymondvillagelibrary.org or 3 Meadow Road



# HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST WINNERS

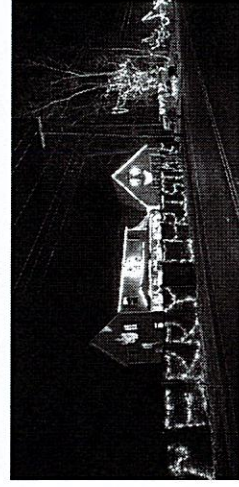
Raymond's 1st Annual Christmas Lights Contest was a success!!

A huge thank you to Jackie Sawyer at Meservier & Associates for sponsoring & coordinating this fun event.



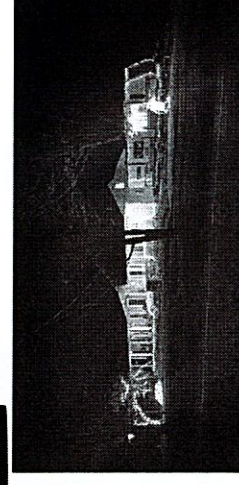
### 1st Place – 10 Small Road

Prize Pack Included: \$300 Cash Prize  
The Good Life Market Gift Basket  
The Beacon – Dinner in for 2  
302 Nutrition Gift Card and Cup



### 2nd Place – 260 Webbs Mills Rd

Prize Pack Included: \$200 Cash Prize  
The Good Life Coffee Gift Basket  
The Beacon - \$20 gift card



### 3rd Place – 266 Webbs Mills Rd

Prize Pack Included: \$100 Cash Prize  
The Good Life - \$25 Gift Basket  
The Beacon - \$20 gift card

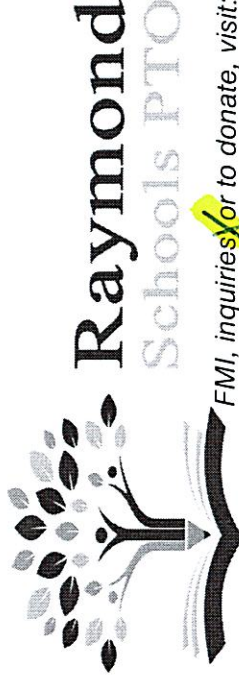
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS, THE COMMUNITY JUDGES, AND OUR LOCAL BUSINESS SPONSORS!



Note from Jackie: I'd like to thank you for participating in the voting for our first ever Raymond Christmas Light Contest. We received over 120 votes and the scores have been tallied. We look forward to continuing this event next year & welcome any feedback you have about how we can make it even better! Thanks Again and Happy Holidays!



MESERVIER & ASSOCIATES



FMI, inquiries for to donate, visit: www.raymondschoolspto.org

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE RAYMOND PTO

The Raymond PTO would like to thank our community for their continued support this past year. A special thank you to The Good Life Market for partnering with us for the Thanksgiving pie fundraiser, and to the Bibliophile Bookshop for hosting us for the fall bookfair. Our community is a special place where our businesses & volunteers always go above & beyond to support our mission & Raymond Schools!



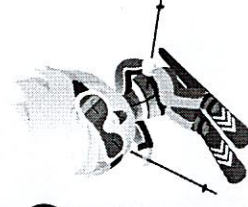
## RAYMOND UPCOMING PROGRAMS

FMI & to register for all programs visit: RAYMOND.RECDESK.COM

Raymond Ski Program / Grades 2 - 8 (Pleasant Mountain) Fridays, Jan. 13th to Feb. 10th / Cost: \$150 Bus & Lift Ticket

(other price options available) Bus leaves RES/JSMS at 3p.m. & returns to JSMS at 7:30p.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: This program relies on volunteer chaperones. Even if you do not know how to ski we need bus, den, and ski volunteers. To volunteer please email: joseph.crocker@raymondmaine.org



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