



**Raymond Schools PTO**

**UPDATES**

We are excited to announce that **The Raymond Schools PTO has received a \$1000 grant from Walmart Giving!**

*The Windham Walmart supports our work in the Raymond community and shares our desires to provide local impact as part of their long history of giving back to the communities where they operate.*

*Thank You Windham Walmart!*

*We thank Windham Walmart and their impact of sending over 100 students on field trips to provide real world experiences within the rich learning 'laboratories' that the diverse state of Maine offers to our children.*




**RAYMOND ROADRUNNER**

**TOWN OF RAYMOND – JUNE 2022 NEWSLETTER**

**Library News and Upcoming Events**

**AUTHOR MEET & GREET**  
**Saturday, June 25 • 4-6:30pm**  
 Meet “Dark Things I Adore” author, **Katie Lattari!**

Katie’s debut thriller “Dark Things I Adore” was published by Sourcebooks Landmark in 2021. The New York Times Book Review calls Dark Things I Adore “a spider web of revenge...[whose] careful and sinewy plotting...reveals in chilling detail who gets to make art, and who gets subsumed in the process.”

Though born in Brooklyn, New York, Katie has now lived in Maine for most of her life. She lives in Bangor, Maine, with her husband Kevin, and their cat, Alex.

**LIVE FOLK MUSIC** with **Bill Berlinghoff**  
**Wednesday, June 29 • 6-7pm**

Bill Berlinghoff is a folksinger with more than half a century of performing experience, appearing in almost every east-coast state from Maine to Virginia and as far west as Colorado and Oregon.

**AUTHOR MEET & GREET**  
**Wednesday, July 13 • 4-5:30pm**  
 Meet “Detective Byron Mystery” series author, **Bruce Robert Coffin!**

Bruce Robert Coffin is the award-winning author of the bestselling Detective Byron mystery series. A former detective sergeant with more than twenty-seven years in law enforcement, he supervised all homicide and violent crime investigations for Maine’s largest city. Following the terror attacks of September 11, 2001, Bruce spent four years investigating counter-terrorism cases for the FBI, earning the Director’s Award, the highest award a non-agent can receive. Bruce lives and writes in Maine.

**SUMMER CRAFT FAIR**  
**Saturday, July 16 • 9am-2pm** (Rain date: Sat., 7/23)  
**NEW VENDOR APPLICATIONS WELCOME.**

**STORY-TELLING** with **Bill Berlinghoff**  
**Wednesday, July 20 • 6-7:30pm**

**Bill Berlinghoff is back to tell the story of William Morris & Vaudville!**  
 Go with Bill as he revisits the days before television, radio, and “talkies,” when entertainment was always live and hardly ever in your living room. Learn about the greatest agent in vaudeville, a man respected, revered, and even loved by the likes of Sir Harry Lauder and Sophie Tucker--a man whose legacy has continued through the William Morris Theatrical Agency, the most influential booking agency of the 20th Century, and now through William Morris Endeavor, one of the world’s largest talent agencies in all parts of the entertainment industry.

**For more information on any of the events or to pre-register contact RVL or visit raymondvillagelibrary.org**



**Raymond Village Library**

3 Meadow Road, Raymond  
 207-655-4283  
[www.raymondvillagelibrary.org](http://www.raymondvillagelibrary.org)  
 Follow us on Facebook

Open Mon, Wed & Fri 9am-6pm;  
 Tues. 9am-12pm (Seniors only); Sat. 9am-4pm



**BEGINS THE WEEK OF JUNE 20!**

**This year’s theme: ‘Oceans of Possibilities!’**  
 This program is for all ages, children through teens.  
 Join us on Mon., June 27 for our kickoff program with Hula Hoops with Nettie from Nevaeh Dance Circus!  
 Contact Karen FMI.

**Patron Passes**

The Raymond Village Library has passes available to the Maine Wildlife Park, the Maine Children’s Museum and Theatre, the Southworth Planetarium and Maine State Park Pass. These passes offer either discounted or free admission.  
 Please contact the circulation desk FMI

Raymond-Casco Historical Society  
**- DONATIONS NEEDED -**  
**PLEASE HELP US PRESERVE THE BLACKSMITH SHOP!**

The 1820’s William Watkins Blacksmith Shop operated at the heart of the Lakes Region for over 100 years. The Raymond-Casco Historical Society has plans to move the shop to our museum location and restore it to working order in 2022. We are finally ready to begin fundraising and make this dream come true! RCHS needs to raise \$65,000 over the next 4 months and it will not be an easy task. They are submitting for grants but there is still a need for everyone to get involved to help us reach our goal!

**To learn more about this unique piece of Maine history or MAKE A DONATION, visit: [www.raymondcascohistoricalsociety.org](http://www.raymondcascohistoricalsociety.org)**

**Swim Lessons**  
**At Crescent Lake Beach**

Join swim instructor Jordan Magiera for **FIVE** different levels of swimming. From beginner to advanced we have a level for you!

Session 1: July 5th-July 15th  
 Session 2: July 18th-July 28th  
 Cost per session: \$50 Raymond Resident, \$55 Non

**TO REGISTER GO TO: [Raymond.RecDesk.com](http://Raymond.RecDesk.com) and click on the programs tab**




**Construction Notice!**

**THE MAIN STREET SIDEWALK PROJECT IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN JULY 1ST.**

This project is in conjunction with the Maine Department of Transportation and will consist of sidewalk installation, improving drainage, and repaving Main Street from Route 302 to the intersection of Route 121. The Raymond Public Works Department will be taking all steps necessary to minimize impact to traffic flow but please use caution and plan accordingly. *We appreciate your patience and support as we know this project has been in the works for several years.*



**RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY**

**Volunteer Opportunity**

**FRESH RESCUE PICKUP**  
**Wednesdays 9:30-11:30am**  
**and/or Saturdays 8-10am**  
 Contact: 207-655-4334 (leave a message)

**Teaching Kids Summer Safety**

School is out and summer safety for elementary students and teenagers is especially important since many of them may be home alone during the day while you’re at work. Here are some of the best tips to know about summer safety for kids:

- GENERAL SAFETY**
- Don’t answer the door or phone when you’re home alone
  - Only go somewhere when you’ve received permission from your parents
  - Memorize important information—like your address and your parents’ phone numbers
  - Don’t talk to strangers or go anywhere with someone else, unless they are a designated and trusted adult. It’s also good to go over the signs of a child predator & teach your child what is & is not appropriate behavior
  - Don’t play with dangerous objects inside the house or get into things that are off-limits
- WATER AND POOL SAFETY**
- Only swim under adult supervision and in designated swimming areas
  - Don’t run around pools • Always look before jumping into a pool
  - Obey all pool rules • Swim with a buddy and keep an eye on each other
  - Don’t eat or chew gum while you swim
- OUTDOOR SAFETY**
- Always wear sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat when going outside for extended periods of time. Find shade when it gets too hot
  - Practice bike safety when riding—like always wearing a helmet, stopping at intersections, looking both ways before crossing streets, avoiding riding in the street, and never riding at night

**SUMMER TRAVEL SAFETY TIPS**

*You know it’s Summer in Raymond when traffic is backed up on Route 302! Warmer weather brings many travelers through our town. Stay alert and plan if you are going to travel. Follow these summer safety travel tips to help keep all travelers safe.*

**SHARE THE ROAD**

To keep everyone safe, remember to pay special attention to:

- **Pedestrians** – Yield to pedestrians crossing the road. When walking, always use the sidewalks and crosswalks where available and walk facing traffic. Where reflective clothing between dusk and dawn
- **Bicyclists** – Give bicyclists the same courtesies as other drivers and allow 3 feet of space. Bicyclists should travel on the right and signal appropriately
- **Motorcycles** – Motorcyclists have the same road rights & need to follow the same rules of the road as other motor vehicles. Use caution and give riders space.
- **Campers and Large Trucks**- If you cannot see the truck or camper’s mirrors, then the driver cannot see you. Allow space and maintain a safe distance. These vehicles need extra room when making right hand turns

- **Driver Education Students** – New drivers are still learning. Be respectful and do not tailgate
- **Work Zones** – Slow down and use caution! Be courteous to the road crew and don’t get distracted

**WATERCRAFT AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES**  
 Follow these reminders when using watercraft, ATV’s, mopeds, bicycles, and motorcycles:

- **Always Wear a Helmet** – it’s the single most important thing you can do to protect your brain and your life
- **Never Drink and Drive** – Alcohol and drugs should never be used when operating any recreational vehicle. It’s also illegal to operate under the influence
- **Wear a Life Preserver** – Life jackets float, you don’t! Ensure that a life preserver fits and its worn by everyone at all times.
- **Travel at a Safe Speed** – Going the speed limit means you have better control over your vehicle & reduces injury risk

**Kinder Kickz Instructional Soccer**

This program will introduce the sport in a fun & engaging way. Parks and Rec staff will lead the session. Parent participation is required to help with drills & activities.

Early Program Fee:  
 \$25 Raymond Residents  
 Dates: Saturdays, Sept. 17-October 22  
 @ Camp Agawam Fields  
 Session 1: 8:30-9:15am • Session 2: 9:15-10:00am




**TASSEL TOP PARK SEASON MEMBERSHIP PASSES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ONLINE!**

**GO TO: [RAYMOND.RECDESK.COM](http://RAYMOND.RECDESK.COM)**



**FALL SOCCER PROGRAM**

**Registrations now open at: [Raymond.RecDesk.com](http://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**  
**June 6th to Aug. 19th**

**Want to make an impact by volunteering? Choose “yes” to volunteering when registering your child!**