

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-gallons 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 & equipment remain off limits to the public. NOTE: The shed is closed during snowstorms for safety and to allow the plow truck traffic to move freely.



2024 DOG LICENSES

2024 Dog Licenses are now available!

You can license your furry friends in person at the Town Office or online at:

www.raymondmaine.org. There is a link for Dog Licensing under Online Transactions>

Animal Welfare on the right-hand column of the home page.

DEADLINE FOR IS RENEWAL JANUARY 31, 2024

Renewals after this date will incur a \$25 late fee



In honor of National Recycling Week in November, the Raymond Recycling Committee wants to give you some EASY TIPS TO RECYCLE!

THE TOWN OF RAYMOND OFFERS ZERO-SORT RECYCLING WITH YOUR TRASH PICK-UP.

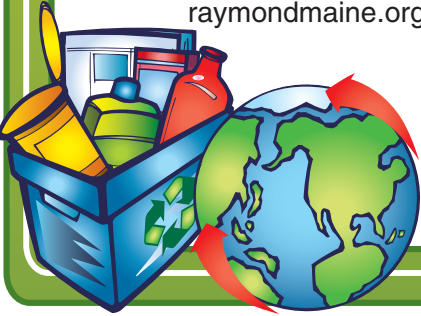
Recycling At Home- Zero Sort makes it easy!

- Use a tote and place your recycling out with your trash to be picked up.

Here are some simple tips to recycle more effectively:

- Flatten down cardboard boxes
- Rinse out plastic, glass bottles and cans
- Recycle newspapers, wrapping paper, envelopes, birthday cards and phone books. All sorts of cardboard can be recycled, too, even toilet and paper towel tubes.
- Keep the recycling container next to the trash can and remind everyone to recycle as much as possible.
- What to recycle: plastic and glass bottles, cans, white and colored paper, magazines, junk mail and catalogs!
- Please NO food waste, Styrofoam, food wrappers, plant material or hazardous waste.

More info about Raymond Recycling can be found at:
raymondmaine.org/content/recycling-faq
raymondmaine.org/content/recycling-committee-1



ALSO VISIT:
ZEROSORT.COM



THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY NOTICES

TRASH REMINDER: NO trash or recycling pickup on Thursday, Nov. 23rd in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. Residents on the Thursday pickup route will need to hold their waste until the following week. There will not be an alternate pickup date.

TOWN OFFICE HOURS: The Town Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday, November 23rd & Friday, November 24th.

May your holiday be full of blessings, gratitude, love, and an abundance of happiness! The Town of Raymond wishes you and your families a

Happy
THANKSGIVING



THANK YOU!!

The Main Street Halloween Event was another great success this year! A huge thank you and big shout out to all who donate their time & efforts to make this such a fun tradition for families. Thank you to the following:

- Main Street residents for your time, money, and efforts in decorating and handing out candy
- Joe Crocker, Raymond Parks and Rec, for organizing and safely shuttling event goers to and from Main Street
- Nathan White, Raymond Public Works, for assisting in blocking traffic on Mill Street during the event
- Raymond Public Safety for organizing the safety plan, assisting in monitoring Main Street, and of course your awesome water zombie display
- Richard Dowe, Raymond Village Library, for collecting and handing out candy to Main Street residents
- Cumberland County Sheriff's and Volunteers for assisting in closing Main Street and keeping the road safe for event goers

Halloween on Main Street is a community effort and we thank you for making it a fun and safe event for all!

State of Maine Property Tax Stabilization Program for Senior Citizens **REPEALED**

The Property Tax Stabilization for Senior Citizens Program allowed certain senior-citizen residents to stabilize, or freeze, the property taxes on their homestead was repealed by the Maine State Legislature.

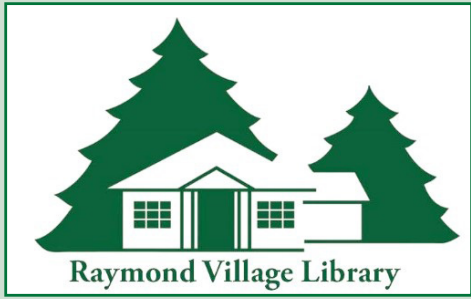
A letter to all seniors who qualified last year was mailed this week letting them know the program is no longer viable and directs them to Maine Revenue Services to explore two existing State programs benefiting low-income seniors.

FMI visit: www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes



RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

TOWN OF RAYMOND - NOVEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



Please contact RVL with any questions or to register for any of the events listed below. 207-655-4283 or visit 3 Meadow Road, Raymond

Watercolor Workshop

Monday, December 4th • 1-3pm

Come create beautiful works of watercolor with Cathy Dodge. This program is open to all adults 18+. All materials will be provided. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Senior Bridge Group

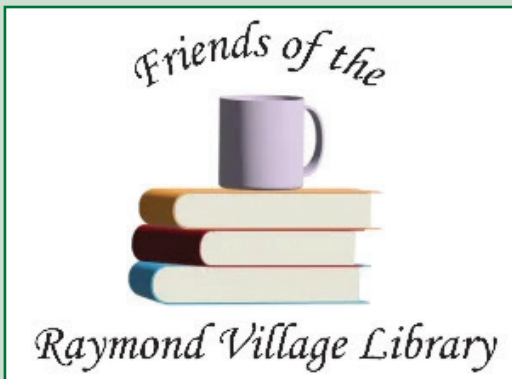
Every Tuesday 9am-Noon

Bridge Groups are underway, but additional players are needed. All levels welcome! Interested in forming or leading other game groups? Scrabble, chess, checkers, etc.? Contact the library with requests or ideas!

The "Free Cart" is Back!

Donations Wanted

Due to popular demand, RVL has reinstated the "free cart". We are currently taking donations for non-perishable food items (check expirations dates), clothing, and magazines for patrons to take for free.



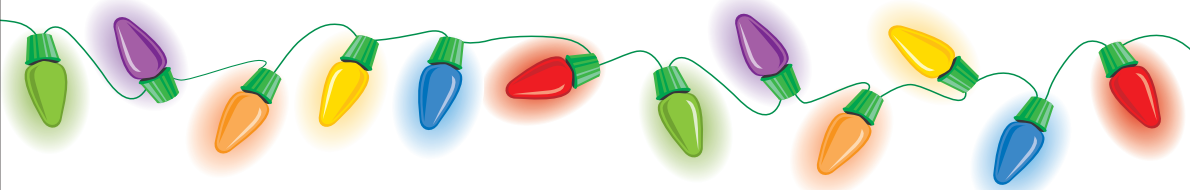
Be Your Library's Best Friend!

Now that our library is part of the Town of Raymond, the Friends created a fundraising organization to help support activities and special events that are beyond the scope of our library's regular operating budget. Our Friends group was officially incorporated as a non-profit 501(c)(3) in January of 2023. Since that time, we have funded a preschool STEM workshop through Mad Science that was held at the library, new shelves that can be rolled into different configurations when the library hosts events, and talks by visiting authors.

WE HOPE TO DO EVEN MORE IN 2024! CAN WE COUNT ON YOUR SUPPORT?

Membership in the Friends of the Raymond Village Library begins with a \$5.00 donation and is open to anyone with a current library card. As a non-profit, your membership fees and add'l generous contributions are tax deductible. We welcome your support via PayPal (link below) or with a check sent to PO Box 297, Raymond, ME 04071 or dropped off at the checkout desk at your next visit to the library.

WWW.PAYPAL.COM/DONATE/?HOSTED_BUTTON_ID=UD379K89FUD4Q



Calling all Christmas light enthusiasts!

THE 2ND ANNUAL RAYMOND RESIDENTIAL

HOLIDAY LIGHTS

CONTEST

IS ON AGAIN FOR THIS YEAR!

LAST YEAR'S CONTESTANTS KNOCKED IT OUT OF THE PARK WITH THEIR DISPLAYS AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR EVEN MORE PARTICIPANTS TO LIGHT UP OUR TOWN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

Join in on the fun and magic of the holiday season and bring some holiday cheer to our town!

Deadline to register as a contestant is Nov. 25th

PRIZES AWARDED FOR 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD PLACE

PARTICIPATE AS A CONTESTANT OR A JUDGE!

JUDGING WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE FIRST WEEKEND IN DECEMBER!!



This event is being sponsored and organized by Jackie Sawyer, a Raymond resident and local real estate agent, who is passionate about bringing our community together!



For more info or to sign up, contact Jackie at 207-749-6849 or jackie@meservier.com

*Follow the Town of Raymond on Facebook or check out our website for information on how to judge and where the participating houses are located.



#LewistonStrong

The Town of Raymond would like to express our sincere heartfelt support for our neighbors in Lewiston. We stand with you and the entire Maine community as we forever remember those who's lives were lost.



If you are a Raymond resident and are interested, please fill out an application on our website: raymondmaine.org and submit it to Town Clerk Sue Look sue.look@raymondmaine.org

RAYMOND NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO SERVE ON VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Currently looking for volunteers to fill vacancies on the following boards:

- Beautification Committee
- Planning Board - 1 seat for 3 years
- Board of Assessment Review - 3 seats for 3 years

For a list of other groups and opportunities go to: raymondmaine.org/town-office/volunteer-opportunities