

We've MOVED to Raymond Village **Community Church at 27 Main Street!**

YOUTH PROGRAMS: Chess Club!

MONDAYS 5P-6PM AT RVCC, GRADES K-8

Join our volunteer coaches to learn the game of chess. Connect with friends who enjoy the same game or play with new opponents!

Mad Science!

WEDNESDAYS (THRU MAY 28TH) 5PM-6PM AT RVCC In this program, kids explore a variety of introductory topics in engineering, physics and chemistry as they learn how science can be applied in everyday life. They learn about concepts like bridge construction, the forces of flight, how air pressure can be used to move things, and more! At the end of every class, they take home an educational toy that extends the learning experience!

Raymond Play and Grow!

TUESDAYS 9AM-11AM AT RVCC AGES 9 MONTHS-4 YEARS Where little imaginations grow and big adventures begin! Free for Raymond Residents - \$2 for non-residents

Youth Soccer Camps!

CHALLENGER CAMPS FOR ALL AGES Stav tuned for more info or visit Raymond.recdesk.com!

ALL AGE BINGO!!

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11TH FROM 6-7:30P AT RVCC Raymond Parks & Rec is thrilled to partner with Age Friendly Raymond to present ALL-AGE BINGO! This event is free of charge. Prizes - Snacks - Fun

FUTSAL FOR ADULTS AGES 20+

REGISTRATION STILL OPEN FOR SPRING & SUMMER Tuesdays from 7:30 - 9:00 PM (Following the school schedule) at Jordan Small Middle School Grab your sneakers, bring your A-game & get ready for some high-energy, small-sided soccer!

Many other programs available!

TO REGISTER FOR ANY PROGRAMS/EVENTS OR TO SEE A LIST OF ALL OPEN REGISTRATIONS, PLEASE VISIT:

Raymond.recdesk.com

RAYMOND CODE ENFORCEMENT REMINDER: CODE ENFORCEMENT BY APPT. ONLY

IF YOU NEED A CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER. PLEASE SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT IN ADVANCE!

This time of year, the office is very busy with appointments, inspections, and trying to get permits out for all those Spring projects making it extremely difficult to accept walk-ins. TO SECURE YOUR TIME SLOT PLEASE CALL THE ADMIN

- ASSISTANT OR SCHEDULE YOUR APPOINTMENT ONLINE Electrical and plumbing permits can be issued immediately. No appointment is necessary.
- ► You do not need an appointment to come in to the office/view a file.
- ► You can now schedule an inspection, meeting, or return a phone call with the Code Officer online by visiting: https://townofraymond.setmore.com

Janet Staples, Administrative Assistant Phone: (207) 655-4742 ext. 161 Email: janet.staples@raymondmaine.org

RAMOND ROADRUNNER Home of the Landlocked Salmo **TOWN OF RAYMOND – MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER** INCORPORATED 1803

Your Voice. Your Future. Your Town. **PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING** Sat., May 31st **★** 10am at JSMS Gymnasium

The Town of Raymond is hosting this informational public hearing to discuss and answer questions on the 2025 Annual Town Warrant before the June 10th election. This is an opportunity to educate, inform, and clarify so residents understand what they are voting on.

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to benefit the ongoing preservation of Nathaniel . Hawthorne's Boyhood Home

40 Hawthorne Road, Raymond

AMONG THE GREAT ITEMS FOR SALE WILL BE FURNITURE, HOUSEHOLD GOODS, TOOLS, SPORTING EQUIPMENT, CLOTHING, GAMES, AND BOOKS. FMI, send an email to: Sylvia Sullivan at rsssm@maine.rr.com

For general info about Nathaniel Hawthorne's Boyhood Home go to: hawthorneassoc.com.

GREAT SPACE FOR EVENTS! The very successful "Evening of Global Jazz" Con-MAX. CAPACITY 50 PEOPLE

Saturday, May 24th from 9am to 3pm



cert held on Friday, April 18, helped spotlight the historic home's expanding role as a cultural and arts destination in the Sebago Lake area. The concert was nearly sold out, as the concertgoers greatly enjoyed the upbeat, melodious, peaceful music of the widely acclaimed McCoy Mrubata / Gary Wittner Duo, comprised of South African saxophonist/composer McCoy Mrubata and his friend, guitarist Gary Wittner.

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT UPCOMING EVENTS AT NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE'S BOYHOOD HOME OR FOR INFO ON RENTING THE SPACE, PLEASE VISIT: hawthorneassoc.com or send an email: info@hawthorneassoc.com.

NEW PINE TREE LICENSE PLATES

Currently only May registrations receive new plates in May. **NEW PLATES ARE ISSUED IN** YOUR RENEWAL MONTH.





Raymond Voters will see questions on the RSU budget and the Annual Town Warrant and will vote for 2 Select Board members, 3 Budget-Finance Committee members and **1 RSU Board of Directors member.**

Absentee voting is a convenient alternative to voting in-person on Election Day, allowing voters to receive and vote their ballots either by mail or at the Town Office prior to Election Day. All absentee ballots must be returned by mail, in person or in the secure drop box in front of the Town Office - to the Clerk by 8pm on Election Day to be counted. Any ballots received after that time cannot be counted. Absentee ballots are available from May 13 through June 5. Voter Registration is conducted at the Town Office during regular business hours or at the polls on Election Day. New Raymond voters, or current Raymond voters with address or name changes, are encouraged to register to vote before Election Day, to avoid waiting in line twice on Election Day. Questions should be directed to the Clerk's Office staff *y phone (655-4742 x124), by email* (town.office@raymondmaine.org), or in person.

Updated with sample ballots and information as it becomes available at: raymondmaine.org



It is the responsibility of all residents and tourists using Sebago Lake, especially with watercrafts, to help mitigate the spread of invasive aquatic species. The smallest fragment on a boat is all it takes for this species to start growing. Milfoil in Sebago poses an ongoing threat to native species, the economy, recreation, and human health and safety. It forms dense mats that block sunlight and starves aquatic life of oxvgen. These mats often crowd out native vegetation which provide food, shelter, and nesting areas for fish and other wildlife The removal of milfoil is costly, time consuming, and Sebago will likely never be completely free of this invasive plant but with a few simple steps you can help mitigate the spread!

CLEAN off visible aquatic plants, animals, and mud from all equipment before leaving water access. Rinse equipment & boat hulls (with high pressure, hot water when possible)

DRAIN motor, bilge, live well, and other water containing devices before leaving water access.

towel before reuse.

For ANGLERS, the add'I step of DISPOSE is recommended: DISPOSE of unwanted bait, worms, & fish parts in the trash. When keeping live bait, drain bait container & replace with spring or dechlorinated tap water. Never dump live fish or other organisms from one water body into another.

UPCOMING DETAILS

Tuesday, June 10th, 2025 from 7am-8pm Jordan Small Middle School Gym, 23 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond

CLEAN + DRAIN + DRY YOUR BOAT AFTER EVERY WATERBODY **EVERY TIME!**

Milfoil season is upon us again! We will be working closely with Maine biologists from DEP, Divers from New England Milfoil, and Raymond Waterways on the removal of variable-leaf milfoil again this season.

 Rinse interior compartments of boats with low pressure, hot water (120°F). • Flush motor with hot water (120°F) for 2 minutes (or follow owner's manual).

DRY everything for at least five days OR wipe with a



OPENING WEEKEND IS JUST A FEW WEEKS AWAY!

EXCITING NEW CHANGES HAVE BEEN IN THE WORKS AT THE PARK.

We can't wait for you to enjoy our brand-new Snack Shack that includes BATHROOMS!!

No more porta-potties, making your visit even more enjoyable! The Snack Shack and Tassel Top Beach will be fully staffed **BEGINNING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND.** Come see the new building!!

- Open Daily 9am-6pm and 9am-7:30pm June 15th-August 15th
- TASSEL TOP SEASON PASSES AVAILABLE AT: Raymond.recdesk.com/memberships. Raymond residents: \$70 ~ Non-Residents \$120
- DAILY RATES RESIDENTS: Children 3-12 and Seniors 65+ - \$2 ~ Ages 13-64 - \$5
- DAILY NON-RESIDENT RATES: Children 3-12 and Seniors 65+ - \$4 ~ Ages 13-64 - \$ *All children 2 and under FREE

NO DOGS ALLOWED ON BEACH AREA OR BEYOND UPPER PARKING AREA. ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH. ALL DOG POOP NEEDS TO BE PICKED UP AND DISPOSED OF.

For a complete list of rules, policies, and what to expect during your visit go to: Tasseltoppark.com Also follow us on Facebook!



NEWS & EVENTS

3 MEADOW ROAD, RAYMOND Questions regarding library events please call 207-655-4283 raymondvillagelibrary.org Follow us on Facebook

Hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:00am-6:00pm Fridays & Saturdays from 9:00am-2:00pm

Raymond Reads!

A NEW COMMUNITY-WIDE READING SERIES! We picked 3 new titles by Maine authors and will be giving out free copies to patrons of the Chickadee Consortium - while supplies last Stop by RVL to get the first book:

The Savage Noble Death of Babs Dionne by Ron Currie and take part in a special reading program with your neighbors!

BOOK TALK & SIGNING

May 29th at 6pm with Ron Currie

He will be on site to discuss The Savage Noble Death of Babs Dionne BE ON THE LOOKOUT for news about our 2nd book & author... COMING SOON!

Annual Plant Sale & Fundraiser

Saturday, June 7th from 7am to 11am ALWAYS A POPULAR EVENT, WITH A LARGE SELECTION OF PERENNIALS AND OTHER PLANTS TO CHOOSE FROM. If your garden is already full, please consider donating any seedlings or cuttings (perennials or annuals). They may be dropped off at the library prior to the sale. Whether you are providing plants or buying plants, we really appreciate your support of the library!



Bridge Club – Tuesdays 9am-noon **Evening Book Group – Last Tuesday of the month** Preschool Storytime – Wednesdays at 10:30am Baby Storytime – Thursdays at 10:30am

Anytime Drop-in Table Activities:

A variety of art, crafts, Legos, & block stations are available in the children's room throughout the week.