Raymond Founders Day Committee

June 23rd is the date. Please mark it on your calendar and plan to spend the day in and around Raymond Village.

The Committee met in March and fleshed out its plans for this year’s celebration. Still making contact with those in that field and hope to have more information by late April.

The next committee meeting will be 7:00 PM, Tuesday, April 24, at the Town Office. We want your input. Please contact the following people for information and offers of help:

Megan & Basil Champness
Entertainment
655-7929
Louise Lester
Road Race
655-4742
Chris McClellan
Parade
655-3131
Bob Jones
Food booths, display tables, exhibits, etc
655-5151

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Comprehensive Planning and Recreation in Raymond

By: Priscilla Rand

It has already been 12 years since the Town’s current Comprehensive Plan was created. During those years it has served as a valuable reference for Raymond’s growth management. The plan now needs revision and updating. Before he left Raymond, Nathan Poore appointed a new Comprehensive Planning Committee to start this process. On February 27, the Raymond Conservation Commission met for the first time.

The Raymond Conservation Commission met for four members of the new Committee to establish a road map for a new plan whereby both Committees might interact - such as on open space planning; reaffirming Raymond’s favorite places; making specific areas more accessible for hiking, snowmobiling and hunting such as Morgan Meadow; and researching Community Facilities and Services, Transportation etc.

Copies of the existing plan are available at the Raymond Town Office for townpeople to review. The Comprehensive Plan Committee needs more volunteers. Those citizens interested in serving on the Committee should contact the Town Office.

The Conservation Commission meets on the last Tuesday of every month, September - June, at the Jordan Small School, 7:00 PM. The public is always invited.

A Vision for Raymond

By: Christine O. McClellan
Chairperson, Route 302 Corridor Committee

Traveling along the stretch of Route 302 day in and day out, on our way to work and back, conducting our daily business, is an experience most of us endure with ambivalence. July and August make us pay even more attention; the prospect is more challenging, fraught with frustration and teeth clenching as we attempt these chores with the hope of coming out unscathed.

Wouldn’t it be nice, we imagine, if it were easier (and thus safer), to buy our milk, gas up the car, pick up the daily cleaning, go out to eat, whatever, basically to enjoy the goods and services that the Raymond businesses have to offer us all. And imagine that perhaps we didn’t have to use the car, but that we could walk or ride a bike safely.

This is the vision that the Route 302 Corridor Committee has been working on. Best of all, the vision has the chance of becoming a reality!

Please join us on April 30th at the Jordan-Small School at 7:00 PM for the opportunity to help shape the future of our Town’s major transportation corridor.

Raymond Elementary School Update

By: Norma Richard

Scott Nash, Emmy award winning artist, illustrator and animator, was our guest at the Raymond Elementary School on March 2. Scott and his wife, Nancy, were overwhelmed with the depth and quality of our students’ work that was proudly and prominently displayed for Scott Nash Day. Each grade “adopted” one of his books prior to the visit. Under the direction of Katie Hall, our art teacher, the children created artwork based on Mr. Nash’s illustrations. Our hallways were graced by six rather large hogs (on a scooter), Martian rocks, dinosaurs headed for the sun and over 2000 “moo” cow paintings. The children created artwork based on Mr. Nash’s illustrations.

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News From The Raymond Village Library

The library will be closed on Easter, April 15. The next Sunday, April 22; it will be open from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Reading Group will meet on April 26 at 7 p.m. Stories from the River, by Ursula Hegi will be discussed. This is a very informal, enjoyable way to discover new authors and new books. If you are able to attend just one or two meetings a year, you will be welcomed. FMI please call 655-4283.

The Raymond Library Club will meet on Thursday, April 5, at 7 p.m. Members are asked to help increase our Club membership by bringing a friend, neighbor or spouse to this meeting in the hope of demonstrating the many ways members can contribute to their library. After the business meeting, those attending will be treated to a fascinating program conducted by Connie Cross, President of the Loon Echo Land Trust. She will show slides and speak on issues of land preservations. Connie has been involved in the organization since 1987, when it was started by a small group of people deeply concerned about the increasingly rapid shrinkage in the amount of land available for public use and wildlife habitat maintenance.

Art works of Carol Griggs and Cathy Dodge are now exhibited at the library through April for your enjoyment. Carol discovered her love for painting about eight years ago while retiring from her work in accounting. She prefers watercolors as a medium and is a student of Charlene Lee. She has exhibited at various shows in the area. Cathy Dodge, a Realtor by profession, is married with three children and still finds time to paint. She enjoys using acrylics and oils, but says she uses paint “lightly”. Her themes are mostly still life, centering on flowers, fruits and her unique fish.

The Maine Audubon Society, thanks to a grant from the State of Maine has possession of several beautiful eggs, by APRIL. She is a local crafter, who has utilized her many talents and different types of crafts, such as quilting, to decorate these exquisite eggs. They can be seen in the display case in the library.

Unclaimed Property

A Message from State Rep. Joe Bruno

District 38

Raymond and part of Windham

In an effort to reconnect people with unclaimed property that the State of Maine has possession I am trying to locate the following people. They may call me at home at 655-7443 or look at the web site www.state.me.us/treasure/ and find the amount of their claim. The values range from $12 to $1500.00. By calling me I will give them their claim number or it can be located on the website. They may also call the State Treasurer’s office directly at 1-888-283-2808.

Thanks for your help.

David Anderson

Diane Blanchard

Ronald Brown

Richard Buzzell

Randall Cail

Cascio Northern Bank

Lisa Chase

George Chevarie

Felicia ConneIlan

James Crawford

Joseph and Beatrice Davio

Dielectric

George Dolimont

Debra Ducheine

Phyllis Hammor

Doris Hammond

Elizabeth Harvey

Amie Hashey

Beth Hard

Joseph Joyce

John Karofsky

Tomo Luc Keil

Emest & Louise Knight

Krista Laughlin

Santa Liucci

Raymond Food Pantry

The Raymond Food Pantry is open at the Town Office during business hours for receiving dry goods. If you need perishable foods like frozen meats, please make an appointment so that a Pantry volunteer can meet you. This service is to give families a little extra help when they need it. All requests are kept confidential.

Please call the Town Office at 655-4742 or the Pantry coordinator at 428-3206 for an appointment or come in during business hours for bagged foods.

Raymond Looking For Committee Members

The Town of Raymond is asking for volunteers who would be willing to devote a few hours a month to a Board or Committee. Currently one position is vacant on the Planning Board. The Comprehensive Plan Committee will be organizing to develop a update to Raymond’s 1991 Comprehensive Plan. The Founders Day Committee is working toward Founders’ Day, June 23, 2001, and for the long-range plan, our Bicentennial Celebration in 2003. The Clerk’s Office is always looking for people who would be willing to work as Ballot Clerks at our elections. There are numerous groups also who would like to welcome anyone interested in joining their work. For more information about any of these boards or committees, please call Louise Lester at the Town Office 655-4742.
Volunteers Wanted And Needed

Volunteers are needed to help some of Raymond’s elderly and disabled residents through the rough times of winter. Many are alone and have no family to lend a hand with basic chores. If you are interested in offering your time to help one of your neighbors either on a one-time or regular basis, please contact Mary Winters of the People’s Regional Opportunity Program. She is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 892-1288 and in the Raymond Town Office on Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. (655-4742).

Raymond Food Pantry Running Low

The Raymond Food Pantry has been particularly hard hit this winter and desperately needs to replenish the following:

- Fruit, canned
- Soups
- Cereal
- Macaroni and cheese
- Cooking oils/vegetable oil
- Jell-O/puddings
- Jelly/ jams
- Marshmallow Fluff
- Milk, canned
- Carrots, canned
- Green Beans, canned
- Peas, canned
- Mixed vegetables, canned
- Tomatoes, canned all kinds
- Baked Beans, canned
- Potatoes, canned
- Spaghetti O’s, canned pastas
- Spaghetti sauce
- Meat, canned but not salmon
- Crackers
- Pancake mixes
- Syrup, pancake
- Biscuit mixes
- Condiments, all kinds
- Laundry detergent
- Dish detergent
- Cleaners
- Baggies, foil, Saran Wrap
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Kleenex

Donations can be delivered to the Town Office, 401 Webbs Mills Road. We appreciate any gifts which we receive.

From the Tax Collectors Office

Tax bills for the 2nd half of the 2000/01 tax year were mailed out the middle of March and are due April 30th. Interest will start accruing daily as of May 1st. If you did not receive your tax bill you may call 655-4742. If we are unaware of an address or Post Office Box Change, your mail could be returned to us as undeliverable.

If you are now paying last October’s payment along with your April payment, interest will be charged leaving a tax balance on the 2nd half.

Interest will be charged by the month. The legislature does this so that towns will have some idea of what they can expect from the state in terms of general-purpose aid for education, the largest piece of municipal budgets. The legislature received the latest report from the Revenue Forecasting Commission that increases our revenue shortfall to over $300 million. The legislature and the governor must now come up with a balanced budget as directed by our state constitution.

Legislative Report

By: Joe Bruno
State Representative, District 38
Raymond & Part of Windham

It is the middle of March and serious budget negotiations are beginning so that we can get the budget passed by the end of the month. The legislature does this so that towns will have some idea of what they can expect from the state in terms of general-purpose aid for education, the largest piece of municipal budgets. The legislature received the latest report from the Revenue Forecasting Commission that increases our revenue shortfall to over $300 million. The legislature and the governor must now come up with a balanced budget as directed by our state constitution.

Why Recycle?

By: Philip Hamnett

Outside of a few weather glitches this winter (and who hasn’t had these), Raymond’s curbside recycling program is now better off than it has been in the past. The new pick-up contractor is taking our materials back to Lewiston, where we can monitor their volume, and share in the revenues from their sale. With the program on a more even footing, it’s time to take a look at how we’re doing in terms of recycling amounts.

Our current recycling rate of about 10% (curbside recyclables compared to curbside trash), is slightly under towns such as Casco (12.5%), but quite low when compared to others. Falmouth, for example, has a rate of over double ours (24.5%), and Portland has a rate over three times ours (36.6%)! To achieve rates such as these, we need to change our habits, and do that to need our way of thinking. In essence, we need to ask ourselves, “Why Recycle?”

Economic Reasons:

Certainly, rates as high as Portland’s would be desirable in many respects: not only would it help our environment, but we could save money on our overall waste budget. While our pick-up costs are not dependent on tonnage, our drop-off charges are. Every ton we put into the trash costs us $31.50 to dump at the MWWAC plant, yet every ton we recycle earns us about $33, depending on market prices. Since every ton recycled takes a ton out of the waste stream, we have a net gain of about $64 for every extra ton we recycle! If we double our recycling rate, this will save us about $64 per year! A rate such as Portland’s would save us $27,000 per year!

Saving Resources:

We can do something about the world’s rapidly dwindling natural resources. Everyone has heard of forest depletion, the disasters of strip mining, and the limits of oil reserves. To add to this the fact that, as a country, we use five to six times the resources of the average world citizen, and we can foresee a mushrooming effect. If the develop- ing world starts using resources at the same rate we do, then suddenly there won’t be enough to go around. We can reduce our dependence on “virgin” (newly cut and mined) resources, by recycling more. Every ton of paper recycled saves about seven trees. This means that our recy- cling efforts in Raymond saved 1,700 trees last year, and we could triple that!

Reducing Pollution:

Each ton of paper recycled saves thousands of gallons of water from the pollution of regular paper processing, plus a 75% reduction in air pollution from paper processing.

Energy Savings:

Worried about energy shortages or the rising cost of energy? Think about this: each year the U.S. throws away 28 billion glass bottles and jars. If these were recycled, they would save the equivalent of 200 million gallons of gasoline! Recycling aluminum saves so much energy that throwing away aluminum can is like throwing away half its volume in gasoline. If the U.S. recycled all of its aluminum cans that would save enough oil to fill 150 oil tankers!

Think we’d be crazy not to recycle? You’re right! Let’s take that extra couple of minutes each day to set aside all the materials that we can recycle in Raymond. You’ll be surprised how much you can shrink your trash! You can get more information at the town office, or look here-- each month we will focus on a different material or recycling issue.

Overdue Dog Licensing Rates

As of April 1st an added $10.00 will be charged over the regular fees of $7.50 for non-neutered dogs and $4.00 for neutered dogs. This was instituted after the Dog Warrant was signed by the Selectmen on March 20th.

Trail Use Meeting

On Thursday, April 12, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office, horsemens, ATV’s, snowmobilers, and other trail users are invited to a gathering to discuss trail uses and abuses in Raymond. There will be a discussion of how to use the Town’s maps and information to contact landowners for permission to use their trails. There are some issues and problems in Raymond and how we can deal with them will also be held.

Help Available

If you are having a hard time keeping up with chores, please call Mary Winters of the People’s Regional Opportunity Program. Mary is connecting people who need help with volunteers who want to be of service to their friends and neighbors. Mary is available Monday, Tuesday, Wednes- day and Friday at 892-1288 and in the Raymond Town Office on Thursdays from 1 to 2 PM (655-4742).

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http://www.raymondmaine.org

The Raymond RoadRunner
Troop 800 News
By Tim Curtis, Life Scout

On February 24, we went to Mrs. Jane Jordan’s house on Raymond Pond for some fun and gathering. Many of the Boy Scouts and their families showed up to the event. First, we made 30 ice-fishing holes in the pond and began to bait them. Unfortunately, my superb fishing luck was there and no fish were caught (I have yet to catch any). So, while we waited around, we ate a wonderful lunch.

In the afternoon, we were still waiting for some fish to be caught, so we skated, skied, or walked around for a while. Then we did the highlight of the day...launching rockets. Donny McKay had most of the rocketry equipment, but just like NASA, it took a while before we had the launching equipment ready. The best part was not the launching of the rockets, but the attempts to get to the rocket first when it lands. This caused a problem when one of the scouts went out on his snowmobile. He and I were chasing the rocket, but I failed to get to it first. His snowmobile had some technical difficulties and we were forced to send a group out to help him. That is one of the rockets we will remember, but another rocket almost went across the pond. This was an event that will make us smile when we remember the cold, the rockets, the slick ice, and no fish.

The next big event happened on March 4 at Mt. Abrams. We met at Mill Street at 7:30 in the morning, but both our Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader had the old schedule of 8:00. After that bumpy start, we made our way to the mountain. After we got tickets and skis (or snowboards) we went out onto the slopes. We went down the mountain twice before we had our educational lesson…a Ski Patrol Demo of having Mr. Curtis be a victim with major problems. It looked so real that another Ski Patroller thought it was real. A few more runs and then it was lunch.

After lunch there was a race in which Jay Peterson, Joe Stevens, and Zeb Swick took part. Joe got 4th, Zeb got 6th, and Mr. Peterson got 8th. While they were racing, I got the “great idea” of taking the T-bar. After a long while, my buddy and I decided that the T-bar wasn’t for us. Next, we learned about Snowboarding and Telemarking. One more run down the mountain and we had to leave. Overall, it was a great day.

To keep up to date on upcoming Troop 800 activities and events check out the Troop’s webpages on the town website at www.raymondmaine.org which includes contact information and other things that the Scouts have been up to. To contact by phone, call Jay Peterson, Scoutmaster, 655-2160 or Denise McKay, Troop Committee Chair, 655-3954.

Pack 800 News
Pack 800, Den Five, Raymond, Maine, recently toured the construction site of the new residence hall at Saint Joseph’s College. This helps them earn their Engineer Activity Pin.

Members of Troop 800 being instructed by the Mt. Abram Ski Patrol on stabilizing and preparing to move “accident victim” Asst. Scoutmaster Greg Curtis.
Jordan-Small Middle School Winter Carnival A Big Success!

By: Mr. Boyle, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Keller
Winter Carnival Committee
Wednesday, February 14, 2001

Over 200 students, staff, parents, and volunteers gathered under partly sunny skies for a day of fun at the Raymond Elementary School ball field.

The winter activities actually began a week earlier with each homeroom working as a team to build a snow sculpture pertaining to a Maine-based theme. The students worked very hard together creating their sculptures with support from our staff.

On the day of the carnival, the students enjoyed team competitions in toboggan racing, cross-country skiing, snowshoe racing, and Tug-O-War. Thanks to the Raymond P.T.A., everyone enjoyed hot cocoa, cold drinks, and a tasty snack bar containing fruit and baked goods. P.T.A. volunteers also assisted the kitchen staff in providing a cookout of delicious grilled hot dogs for hot lunch students, teachers, and volunteers.

The success of the winter carnival would not have been possible without the assistance of the following people:

Winter Carnival Committee: Beau Boyle, Jack Fitch, John Keller

Race Director: Beau Boyle

Race Officials: Christian Elkington, Jo Martyn-Fisher, Jack Fitch, John Keller

Snow Sculpture Judges: Katie Hall, Faye Reynard, Kathy Woodbrey

Video: Linda Hoffman

Photographers: Cindy Terry, Mary Thornton

Snow Groomers: Mr. Dale, Patrick Woodbrey, Raymond Public Works Dept.

All-around helpers: Randy Crockett, Ron Gagnon, Kim Winslow

Cookout: Kitchen Staff, Helene and Ron Gagnon, Brenda Stevenson, Carrie Daggett, Betty Remalia

Banner: Kyle Gagnon, Mr. Dorey

Snack: Sherri Reed, Helene Gagnon, Jo Martyn-Fisher, Vicki Gordon, Tracy Morris, Karyn Knight, Lisa Schadler, Julie Orsini, Windham McDonalds/Shaws

All parents and staff who contributed skis, snowshoes, and toboggans.

Snow Sculpture Awards:

Mr. Hjort’s Class – Maine’s best product Award - L.L. Bean Boot
Mrs. Taiani’s Class - Maine’s Favorite Product Award – ‘Taste of Maine’ Lobster
Mr. Cyr’s Class – Maine’s Historical Guiding Light - Maine Lighthouse
Mrs. Estey’s Class - The Blueberries for Sal Literary Award - Black Bear with Cub
Mrs. Thomas’ Class - Maine Coastal Waters Award - Lobster Boat

Mr. Taylor’s Class – Maine’s Purrfect Pet Award - Maine Coon Cat
Ms. Feeney’s Class – Maine’s Inland Fisheries Award - Snowman Fishing
Mr. Fitch’s Class – Audubon’s Naturalist Award - Porcupine

We’re looking forward to another great Winter Carnival in 2002!
Jordan-Small Middle School Planning Moving Forward!

By: Christian Eldking, Principal
Jordan-Small Middle School

February and March were very busy months at JSS as our new middle school program continued to take shape. Another round of parent and community forums was first completed in February. A large majority of the feedback about the presentation specifics from those in attendance at the forums was highly positive. Both state and national data supported the scientifically validated Curriculum (combining more than one subject area in a class period/block), Looping (having students work and learn with the same teacher for 2 years) and learning Spanish (giving a greater communication tool for the future). Data was also shared supporting Interscholastic Activities (clubs/spots) and for increased planning time for team teaching. We have since been informed that we have been accepted into the Pine Tree Conference for middle school activities.

Our school committee made several decisions at its last meeting in February and its first meeting in March, setting the direction for our school during the 2001-2002 school year and beyond. The school committee agreed (voting 5-0) to add the word “Middle” to Jordan-Small School. Jord-

an-Small “Middle” School will open this August. The selection of Spanish as the Foreign Language that all students will receive for grades 5-8 was also agreed upon (5-0 vote). Spanish is the 2nd most common language used both in New England and in the United States and is in the top three languages being taught worldwide. Teaching one language allows for Spanish to be shared and sup-

ported by all staff across all subject areas. This approach will give all of our students greater opportunities for un-

derstanding and success.

Also supported and agreed to by our school committee (voting 5-0) is to call Jordan-Small “Middle” School a Looping school. As mentioned above, Looping is the term used for teachers staying with their students for 2 years. This concept is not new but is as old as formal education. Instead of students staying with one teacher for two years, we will be having students stay with a team of teachers for 2 years. Our loops will occur in grades 5 to 6 and then in grades 7 to 8. Having a greater understanding of a student’s abilities and needs, along with building a greater communication bond with both students and parents, are just two of the strengths of Looping.

Our school committee also had several discussions about a daily schedule for our new middle school program. Af-

ter weeks of looking at options, along with information collected at our middle school forums, our Superinten-

dent, David Bois, proposed a 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. sched-

ule. This schedule is similar to almost all other middle school schedules in our state. It will reduce crowding on our busses and allow our students to participate in Inter-

scholastic Activities with minimal interruptions to learn-

ing. Several other ideas were discussed which would re-

quire spending more money on transportation costs and thus take resources away from other programming needs in grades K-7. The school committee voted 3-1-1 to sup-

port the above schedule for a one-year trial.

The teaching staff of Jordan-Small “Middle” School con-

tinue to align our local curriculum with our state stan-

dards, the Learning Results. We are presently working on both 7th and 8th grade alignments in all subject areas. As we are working on our alignments, we are also looking at curriculum materials and textbooks that have the great-
est potential to support student learning. Teaching staff also continues to visit successful middle schools in both Maine and New Hampshire looking for “best practices” which will support all of our kids! In our visits, we are looking at the materials other schools are using to support student learning and success!

The steps we are taking and have taken continue to build the foundation for our middle school program. This work will give us a strong base for the continued development of our program over the next 2 to 4 years.

Raymond Lions Club

During March, the Raymond Lions Club worked with Eileen Stiles and the wonderful people at the Raymond Elementary School in a part of the screening of children entering Kindergarten next fall. The Lions Club used a sophisticated Polaroid type camera with extremely high speed film to take 2 photos of the child’s eyes. The photos were then delivered to Dr. Colin Robinson’s office in Windham for interpretation.

Photos were taken of 53 children in all. In the first half, done mid-month, it was recommended that 2 children be seen by an eye care professional due to the possibility of conditions that could lead to amblyopia. Amblyopia, or lazy eye, can affect a child’s performance in school and for life. Early diagnosis can lead to very effective treatment and possible correction.

The camera, a MTI Photoscreener, was purchased for over $3,000 by the Lions Clubs in Raymond, Windham, Se-

bago, Standish and Hollis. It is being used throughout the area by all of the clubs to screen children from the age of 18 months to 2 years.

The Raymond Lions anticipate having a clinic on a Satur-

day in May or June so parents of children younger than 5 can have the free screening now. Remember, early diag-

nosis can lead to very effective treatment. If you have any questions about the screening or the Raymond Lions Club, please call Dale Gilman at 655-4114, Bob Jones at 655-7163 or Betty McDermott at 655-4646.

Raymond Recreation Spring Running Program

By: Elizabeth Algeo

The 2001 Raymond Recreation Spring Running Program is gearing up for another fun season of relays, races, races through the woods and lots of stretching and learning. Last year’s program was a great success; we had 35 stu-

dents and 6 adult volunteers running through the fields and woods of the Jordan-Small Campus.

This year’s program, which is provided free of charge, will begin the first Tuesday after April vacation (April 24) and will be held every Tuesday and Thursday, from 3:30 to 5:00 through June 7. We’ll be meeting at the Raymond Elementary School and will have access to the athletic fields and gymnasium (in case of rain!). Trans-

portation to the Elementary school will be provided to Jor-

dan-Small School students.

More information on equipment needs (comfortable sneak-

ers and sweats are about all you’ll need), registration de-

tails and the agenda will be handed out to students the first week before April vacation. Volunteer parents are needed to help us keep the program ‘running’ smoothly. No pre-

vious experience necessary! Call Bob Payne (655-2165) or Elizabeth Algeo (655-6965) with any questions or to volunteer.

Summer Swim Program

There is a position available for a Red Cross Water Safety Instructor or Instructor Aide to assist in the summer swim program sponsored by Raymond Rec at Crescent Beach. Pre-gate depth runs from June 25 to July 20 and lessons are held 5 days per week.

Phone At 655-4657 for an application.

Applications will be accepted through April 30.

Raymond Recreation Association Tennis

The Raymond Recreation Association will offer a tennis program to children in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades. Ses-

ions will begin on Wednesday, May 2, and continue for 5 Wednesdays through May 30th. Cost of the program is $2.00 per student for the entire program.

Lessons will be held at Village Tennis on Mill Street in Raymond and will begin at 12:45 and run until 1:45 p.m. The school bus will deliver students to the tennis courts and parents should arrange to meet children after class. Participants must wear tennis or other court-type shoes and bring a tennis racket and comfortable clothes. To arrange for a racket loan, call the number below.

Registration forms are being distributed at school the week of April 2 to be returned by April 11. If you have not registered by that date, phone Pat at 655-4657.

If you are able to help with the program, or for more in-

formation, please call Pat at the number above.

2001 Soap Box Derby Will Be Saturday, June 30th

The 2001 Southern Maine Soap Box Derby will be held Saturday, June 30th at Southern Maine Technical College in South Portland. For more information please write South-

ern Maine Soap Box Derby, 80 Jordan Avenue, Brunswick, ME 04011 or davemccubrey@hotmail.com; phone number 207-727-5932. For more information go to www.mainetoday.koz.com/mainespderby or www.aabd.org.

SUBSTITUTE JANITORS

Applications are now being taken for Substitute Custodians at the Raymond Elementary and Jordan-

Small Schools.

Please call the district office at 655-8666 to request an application.

For more information, contact Rick

Dwimmell, head custodian at 655-8672 after 2:00 PM.
Jordan-Small Honor Roll

By: Christian Elkington, Principal

It is with great pleasure that the staff of JSS announces our 2nd Quarter Honor Roll! The following students were able to meet high standards, demonstrating academic suc-
cess across all subject areas by being determined and dedi-
cated. These students have earned this academic recogni-
tion for their efforts!

5th Grade High Honors
Alison Gagnon                   Ian Levinsky
Amy Mcauley

5th Grade Honors
John Atwood                  Nicole Lloy
Jordan Burns                 Andrew Miranda
Hannah Deichert              Mya Ohlmeyer
Bridget Byrne                Taylor Parker
Amy Cobb                     Alison Remalda
April Cox                    Doug Remick
Ashlee Daggett              Elizabeth Stevens
Markie Desorbo             Robyn Stullings
Grant Shadle                  Travis Ward
Kris Fenton                  Dan Williams
Ali Gordon                        Cody Winde
Travis Guerrette             Justin Woodbury
Julia Hartig                 Kyle Woodbury
Danielle Holman
Amanda Hambert

6th Grade High Honors
Ian Acker
Keegan Brown
Jennifer Canty
Skylar Duncanson
Katie Eastman
Andrew Jordan

6th Grade Honors
Jessica Barry                      Laken Perry
Alise Bartholomew               Kamaron Parunton
Andrew Bissonenette              Rebecca Randall
Amanda Bruno                     Andrew Reed
Brett Cogan                      Erik Richardson
Brooke Coggis                   Justin Robinson
Julie Comeau                   T.J. Cook
Casey Cross                     James Wiley
Amanda Evans                     Stefan Winlow
Taylor Fay                      Kyleigh Flynn
Nicole Gagne                    Cameron Gonseny
Roman Gonseny                   Sam Grieve
Andrew Jordan                   Elliot Lamarre
Ashley Leavitt                    Jacob Markowski
Logan Martin-Fisher                Samantha Murphy
Molly Nizio

Congratulations go to each one of you from the staff at Jordan-Small School!

Nurse’s Notes

By: Jerilyn Ward RN

Being back at school has brought back so many memo-
ries of what being a child and adolescent consists of. So
many things have changed but one thing has not. Child-
ren want to spend time with their parents. When they are
confused or embarrassed, something quite takes the
place of family.

Take time to talk with your children each day. They want
to tell you so much and need not only quality time but
listening to theirs. Dance and read, talk and laugh but
make time to talk with your children each day. They want
to come to town meeting, they plan to help the janitors at
school on an afternoon and they have a day scheduled to
catch children doing kind things for others” while at
school.

We are very open to ideas that community parents or
parents have that might be good projects to help others. If
there are some local shut-ins who might need some assis-
tance, or extra hands needed to complete a project please
contact us and let us know. The energetic children that have
joined this effort are Amber Gilks, Nathaniel Dixon, Haley
Desjardins, Alswick Feltsow, Kees VanHaasteren, Tyler
Piris, Lauren Weeks, Abigail McVour, Adam Giroux,
MacKenzie Rampho, Nick Gredin, Brittany Reed, Dean
Darien, Morgan Larrabee, Tim Tapley, Ashley Cox, Ben
Algoz, Emily Allen, Lindsey Ryan, Ali Knight, Logan
Cline, Megan Harding, Phoebe Crockett, Laura Sanborns,
Caroline Blake, John Scripture. If you have any ideas to share,
you can contact Barbara Harding Loux, social worker, or
Debbie Alonso, social worker at 655-8672.

Second Quarter Honors At The Raymond Elementary School

The Raymond Elementary School faculty would like to
congratulate the following students and their parents for
achieving second quarter honor roll status for the
2000-2001 school year.

3rd Grade Honors:
Cory Parker
Samuel Harvey
Ben Algoz
Caroline Blake
Haley Desjardins
Anna Klinker
Mackenzie Leland
Marybeth Wiley
Abbie McVour

4th Grade Honors:
Phoebe Crockett
Adam Coro
Hannah Huber
Brenda Wood
Rebecca Morris
Brittian Bisesti
Brandi Mitchell
Brittany Reed
Trinity Macomber
Jake Whitcher
Tyler Jamison
Nina McNally
Rebekah Gagne
Riley Libby
Cory Leslie
Brandon Guerrette
Kelsey Nadeau
Taylor Duncanson
Ali Knight
Chris Myers
Parrish Martin
Erik Wisukski
Logan Cline
Elijah Hughes
Megan Harding
Brinnity Plummer
Brett Bisiets
Kate Cook
Christian Andersen
Lindsey Ryan
Zachary VanHaars
Alswick Feltsow
Lynda Duda
Ashley Waldron
Evan Flynn
Chad Zawistowski
Sibyl Cunningham
Kees VanHaasteren
Jacob Perry
Andrew O’Neill

4th Honors:
Laura Sanborns
Lauren Weeks
Alsyn Schaller

Volleyball At Jordan-Small School

By: Jordan-Small Intramural Coaches

Volleyball at Jordan-Small School was a huge success. In
the 3rd installment of our 4 Intramural programs at JSS,
over thirty students participated twice a week for six weeks
(Jan.-Feb.). Coaches involved were: Jack Fitch, Tom
Dashiell, and Beau Boyle. Students were introduced to
the basic fundamentals involved in the game, such as serv-
ing, digging and setting. Furthermore, they walked away
with an understanding of proper scoring, rotating, and
rules of the game. In addition to traditional volleyball,
children were also given the opportunity to learn to play
the game ‘maccum’, an offshoot of volleyball without as
many demanding rules. In this game, students catch and
toss as well as use quarter balls. They learned in volleyball.
Regardless of skill level, like all of our intramural sports,
this season provided a chance for all students to partici-
pate equally.

Up next? Basketball. If your child is already involved in
our intramural program, we look forward to seeing him
or her. If you have a child in our school who’s not in-
volved, we hope you encourage them to come out and have
some fun with their classmates. In doing so, they will get
plenty of exercise and learn some lifelong cooperative skills.
**$600.00 Scholarship Offered**

Applications are available for the Raymond Women’s Semi-Circle annual scholarship, which will be awarded to a Raymond high school graduate who is going on to further her/his education.

Selection is based on academic accomplishment, character & leadership and financial need.

Applications may be obtained at Jordan-Small School and Raymond Town Office and must be postmarked by April 30th of the year of application. The winner will be notified in June before graduation.

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**Broadway Musical At Windham High School**

The Spotlight Players of Windham High School are presenting the Broadway Musical GREASE! on the following days:

- Friday, April 27th at 7:30PM
- Saturday, April 28th 2:00 PM & 7:30PM
- Friday, May 3rd at 7:30PM
- Saturday, May 4th at 2:00 & 7:30PM

All performances are at Windham High School. The production is a collaboration between the music, drama and art departments. Tickets are available at the door for what promises to be a fabulous production. The cast is made up of many talented students at WHS and includes many familiar names from Raymond. The cast includes: Tom Barr, Aspen Bishop, Adrienne Bruno, Julia Bruno, Vickie Chase, David Clark, Tim Clark, Kimberley Clement, Scott Collard, Ali Conory, Dimitra Corsetti, Alicia Cote, Nicole Dalpe, Chris delBree, Cinthia Figueroa, Jane Frederick, Ben Goodwin, Mike Gosselin, Nick Greene, Chris Hilly, Danielle Huns, Usher Henderson, Meredith Hillman, Amy Jack, Kristin Jakkes, Kate Law, Charles Leavitt, Jessica Masci, Thomas Miranda, Jess Maynard, Jessica McHugh, Scott McKay, Candis Monaghan, Molly Olsen, Erik Osmdy, Sandy Parker, Mia Perron, David Pride, Ellen Promise, Steven Pierce, Bre Rainey, Brett Reina, Mike Robinson, Brad Rousse, Melissa Sawyer, Shea Shattuck, Melissa Shaw, Andrea Shute, Erin Sprinkle, Caitlin St. Laurent, Nate St. Laurent, Dan Strange, Tony Tanguay, Melissa Tapley, Teddi Terrano, Angela Thompson, David Thompson, Jessica Thompson, Jean Thornton, Maggie Thompson, Peter Vasapoli, Emily Wessel, Erin Whworth.

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**Hockey Champion**

Brett Bisesti, along with his teammates on the Squirt-Bears hockey team for the Lewiston Area Youth Hockey Association, won the State Championships held at Bowdoin College on March 3. After winning in their division during the Lions Tournament held over Feb ruary vacation in Lewiston, the team advanced to the State competition.

Brett, the son of Nancy and James Bisesti, is a fourth grade student at the Raymond Elementary School.

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**Raymond Elementary School Update**

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We are now working on transition plans for next school year. This means that we are already looking at schedules, teaching assignments, and class assignments for children in grades K-4. We will be divided separately from the middle school students. This will help to alleviate overcrowding on the bus and make for an easier ride for all students.

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**1st Annual Raymond Day**

On February 24, a small but mighty group of 7th, 8th and 9th graders participated in this attempt to create a special day for Raymond’s students. The day began with a community address by Reverend Tulip and all students received folders to collect various information collated by volunteers including: State labor laws for minors, community service projects, obtaining driver’s licences, local job opportunities and locating affordable craft supplies. Everyone received a welcome gift and left with a door prize, thanks to the efforts of Gail Waisanen.

Gail Waisanen and Sue Carr kept everyone busy with macrame bracelets and “coot” art deco pens. Jo Martyn-Fisher coordinated the community service quilt project (to be donated to a teen at a local Ronald McDonald House), everyone was able to leave their “mark” and it was amazing to see the creation of a work in progress! The quilt has a whimsical theme of winter and boasts scenic mountains, skiers and snowboarders. Though not yet complete, all signed up again to meet again and finish this gift...stay tuned!

A few brave souls tackled the jobs and food service projects...we all learned a lot! One of our discoveries: avoiding ground chowder in tomato sauce...it tends to have a distinct aroma and taste that only those with a “mighty” appetite prefer! Of course, it also helps to not scrape the bottom of the container. Candi definitely did not receive a Food Service Certificate this year! These kids did an awesome job preparing salads, garlic bread, setting up and cleaning up...applause is due! They also worked through a packet of info to help them recognize their interests, skills and the realities of taking on a “real job”.

A surprise was in store for two RYC-2004 participants. Matt Waisanen and Amanda Scripture, who were awarded a $50.00 Savings Bond for donating over 35 hours of community service projects...we all learned a lot! One of our discoveries: avoiding ground chowder in tomato sauce...it tends to have a distinct aroma and taste that only those with a “mighty” appetite prefer! Of course, it also helps to not scrape the bottom of the container. Candi definitely did not receive a Food Service Certificate this year! These kids did an awesome job preparing salads, garlic bread, setting up and cleaning up...applause is due! They also worked through a packet of info to help them recognize their interests, skills and the realities of taking on a “real job”.

**Bridgton Woman And Raymond Youth To Receive Prestigious Red Cross Real Hero Awards**

Portland, Maine, March 13, 2001 - Joan Bosworth, a retired Bridgton elementary school teacher, is the recipient of this year’s Red Cross Real Hero Award. Mrs. Bosworth is a fourth grader at Stevens Brook Elementary School, nominated Mrs. Bosworth for all of her efforts in tutoring Britannia as she recovered from serious illness. “The lengths that Mrs. Bosworth went to, to make sure Britannia was able to keep up with her studies, and enjoy learning, while enduring the excruciating pain of her illness, are remarkable,” said Tracey Geary, Portland Red Cross Development Director and organizer of this year’s Real Heroes Breakfast. “Mrs. Bosworth has touched the life of this young girl and her family in a way they will never forget, she truly is Britannia’s Real Hero,” added Geary.

Matthew Waisanen of Raymond, an eighth grade student at Wescott Junior High School in Westbrook, will receive one of the Red Cross Youth Life-Saving Real Hero awards presented at the Real Heroes Breakfast on Wednesday, March 28, 2001 at 7:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn by the Bay. Waisanen won this award administering abdominal thrusts to his mother, who was choking and nearly unconscious in March 2000. Waisanen, who had just learned this lifesaving skill the previous week at school, knew exactly what to do when he saw his mother in distress.

Anyone wishing to attend this breakfast and salute these other local REAL HEROES can purchase a ticket by calling The Portland Chapter, American Red Cross at 874-1192, ext. 106.

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**Raymond Resident Hosts A Fund Raiser For Camp Sunshine**

By: Chris Sutton

I would like to invite community members to participate in a special fund-raising event for Camp Sunshine, which is a retreat for critically ill children and their families. The camp is the only one in the nation to address the impact of critical illness on every member of the immediate family. Families are given the chance to have fun together and to meet other families facing similar challenges.

Camp Sunshine is unable to meet the demands for its services. About half the families who apply to Camp Sunshine have to be turned away. Camp Sunshine is currently in the midst of a campaign to raise $5,000,000 for the endowment fund to operate a year-round facility. When the facility is complete, Camp Sunshine will be able to start serving 1,200 families a year.

As a co-owner of the Sentimental Playground, I am hosting the second annual Scrap-a-thon for Camp Sunshine on April 28, 2001. Participants will raise money for Camp Sunshine while they create keepsake albums to preserve their photographs and record their family stories. We will be offering a free “Getting Started” workshop, and we invite scrapbookers of all experience levels to join us.

Last year’s Scrap-a-thon was a huge success. With the help of 40 scrapbookers and many generous donors, we were able to raise $3,900 for Camp Sunshine, which was more than enough to send two families to the camp for one week.

If you would like to participate in the event or you’d like to make a donation, then please contact Chris Sutton at the Sentimental Playground, 19 Carrie Hill Road, Raymond, ME 04071 (phone: 655-7109), e-mail: SentimentalPlay@aol.com