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Raymond Road Runner Today...
By Brad McCurtain, Raymond Comprehensive Planning Committee
Recently, the Comprehensive Planning Committee turned its attention to our community’s natural resources: lakes, wetlands, scenic vistas, agricultural land, aquifers, plant and animal habitat and more. Rick Seeley of the Greater Portland Council of Governments conducted an outstanding inventory analysis of Raymond’s natural resources for the Committee. He then presented that analysis at a public workshop. Also at that workshop, representatives of the Maine Audubon Society joined us and shared information specific to rare plant and animal habitat in Raymond. It was an excellent session. Please take time to read the draft summary on Natural Resources written by our consultant Rich Rothe. The analysis appears on the Comprehensive Planning Committee’s web site, which you can find by going to the Town’s web site, by then clicking on “Committees” in the drop down menu, and by then selecting “Comprehensive Plan.”

If you are a stakeholder in the community, the Raymond Comprehensive Planning Committee is interested in hearing your thoughts on any of these subjects. And, of course, any member of the public is welcome to attend the bi-weekly Committee meetings. To obtain meeting dates, times, and locations, please either e-mail to complan@raymonddmaine.org or contact the Town Office.

We strongly encourage you to send e-mails to us with your comments. Since the e-mail address is staffed by a part time volunteer, it isn’t possible to answer all of the e-mails that we receive. Please be assured that your comments will be heard and will make a difference. Please include your name and location of your property when you write to us.

If you are not already on our e-mail distribution list, please send your request to: complan.interest.group-subscribe@raymondmaine.org

We want to hear from you!

Notice of Election & Referendum
November 5, 2002
7:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Jordon-Small Middle School Gymnasium
Raymond Concludes A Season Of Milfoil Management
By: Kevin Hughes, Lakes Protection Ranger
In July 2001, the Maine State Legislature passed Public Law – L.D. #1812 making it illegal to sell, transport, propagate, or introduce any of eleven invasive aquatic plants. In August 2001, a Raymond Milfoil Committee was formed to create a long-term plan for the town as a local response to the threat of Invasive Aquatic Species (IAS). The plan addressed the implementation of protecting the waterways of Raymond, complementing state efforts with launch inspections, staff/volunteer training, shoreline monitoring, and public education. The following summarizes completed activities for Summer 2002:

Launch Inspections
Action: Inspected over 240 boats and trailers at both Crescent Beach and Raymond Beach launch sites. An additional 87 were passed over due to previous inspections this season.

Results:
• 85% of boats were registered in Maine.
• 95% of boaters were informed or had prior knowledge of invasive aquatic plants.
• 89% of boats displayed the lake and river protection stickers.}

Raymond Elementary Report
By: Norma Richard, Principal
It is hard to believe that the first quarter is now completed, and that we are already planning for first quarter parent/teacher conferences. These conferences are an important opportunity for Raymond Elementary School parents to improve their understanding of their child’s academic progress and behavior in class and at school. Conferences are also a good time for parents to share the teacher important things about their child.

Before the conference, parents may want to make a list of things to ask their child’s teacher. Questions to consider may include the following:
• How are my child’s work habits?
• Is class time used well?
• Does my child read at the level you would expect for a student in this grade? Is my child able to do the math you would expect?
• Does my child get along well with others? Does my child work cooperatively with others?
• What are your expectations for homework? Has my child missed any assignments?
• What can I do at home to help my child be more successful at school?

During the conference, please consider the following:
• Be on time. Please call the office at 655-8672 if you are going to be late or unable to make your scheduled conference. Teachers have many conferences and even a 5 minute delay can throw off their schedule.
• Ask to see samples of your child’s work. There is no better way to see how your child is progressing.
• Ask the teacher to explain anything you don’t understand. Listen carefully as the teacher talks about your child’s progress.
• Discuss with the teacher suggestions for improvement, and develop a plan with your child on how to carry out these suggestions.

Our conferences are scheduled for Wednesday, November 11, from 12:30 - 6:00 PM and Friday, November 13, from 8:00 - 11:30 AM. There is no school for students on November 13. We look forward to meeting with parents to discuss their children’s progress to date. Please call the school office at 655-8672 if you have any additional questions about first quarter conferences.
News From The Raymond Village Library

Children’s Programs
The Thursday morning children’s time will be divided by ages. Baby time beginning at 9:15 is for infants through 18 months. At 9:45 Toddler time is for 18 months through 3 years, and at 10:30 a more quiet time is reserved for Story time for preschoolers. By doing this, more appropriate activities can be planned for specific ages. To help celebrate Children’s Book Week the week of November 17, there will be a Pajama Story Time at the library as soon as possible.

Library Hours
The library will be closed Thanksgiving, November 28. Beginning December the library will be closed Monday and Wednesday evenings at 7pm for December, January and February. During inclement weather, it is a good idea to call the library at 655-4283 to be sure that it is open.

Holiday Bake Sale
On Sunday, December 8, the library will be filled with delicious smells and delightful baked treats for sale. This is a wonderful opportunity to stock up for holiday celebrations. The sale begins at 11am and will continue through the afternoon.

Craft Workshop
The bag lady will once again facilitate a fun workshop making gift bags. This will take place at the library on November 16 beginning at 9:30. Those participating are asked to bring pencil, scissors, ruler, fabric tape measure and, if possible, tacky glue. There is a limit of 20 people, so please sign up at the library as soon as possible.

Tree Lighting
The Raymond Lions Club will sponsor the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony which will be held at the library on December 1 at 6pm. There will be fun and refreshments, and everyone is invited to open the holiday season together.

Book Club
In November, the book group will read and discuss “City of Light”, a novel by Lauren Belfer. This will take place at the library on Thursday, November 21, at 7pm. If this book interests you, please join us and hear what others thought of it. FMD call 655-5354.

Planning Board Adopts Staff Plan Review Process

The Planning Board, at their October meeting, adopted a new review process to assist potential applicants in the development of applications. The process is centered around the creation of a Plan Review Committee consisting of Jack Cooper, Code Enforcement Officer; Bob Faunce, Town Planner and Amanda Simpson, Assessing Assistant. The Committee will meet twice monthly to sit with applicants and discuss plans and advise the development of applications. Types of issues that can be addressed are zoning requirements, current taxation and use, subdivision and site review requirements and general design elements.

The Board hopes that in making staff available as a group the applicant will better be able to understand the application requirements and come to the Board more fully prepared. This process does not substitute for any meetings with the Board; rather it supplements the application development by the applicant. If applicants wish to meet with the Plan Review Committee, they must fill out a simple application together with fee and a sketch plan that meets basic requirements. Once the application is received, the applicant will be scheduled for the first available meeting, a minimum of one week after the submittal. This lead-time will give the staff an opportunity to review the plans prior to the meeting.

Please contact Amanda Simpson, Assessing/CEO Assistant, at 655-4712 Tuesday through Friday from 8:30am to 4:00pm or Amanda.simpson@raymondvillage.org for more information. You may also reach Jack Cooper, CEO, at 655-3066 Tuesday through Saturday from 8:30 to noon.

Book Review

By: Charles Murray

In this very readable volume by Robert Remini, one of several he has written about Andrew Jackson, the author deals with the popular prejudices of that period and the shameful removal from immediate contact with the ever expanding industrializing white culture. The fact that this opinion coincided with the popular political thought and general opinion of the inferiority of the Native Americans has caused many modern authors to characterize Jackson as a racist. As Remini points out, the term had no meaning or definition in that period of our history.

Jackson was a man of his time, with strong belief held over many years that the key to survival of the Native Americans and the end to racial conflict lay in “removal”, that is the moving the Native Americans west of the Mississippi and exchanging land that they held in the east for land in the west. As in many other grand plans, the law of unintended consequences and human greed entered into the equation with disastrous results. An additional motive for Jackson was that, by the removal, he would secure the southern and western borders of the US against incursions by English and Spanish adventurers and military campaigns.

The existence of several tribes today is proof of the validity of Jackson’s beliefs. This fact in no way justifies the horrors that the Native Americans endured, such as the Cherokee “Trail of Tears” and the decimation of other tribes such as the Choctaws, Creeks, and Seminoles.

These results were caused by the greed of whites, who stole money, land, provisions, equipment, horses, cattle, etc., as well as Native Americans both full blood and “half breeds” who were bribed into complicity with the various schemes. Jackson’s grand plan was defective because of human weakness but not by his design. This is a thought-provoking treatise.

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Christmas Craft Fair
Raymond Village Church
Saturday November 30th
9 AM to 4 PM
Municipal News Brief

The Raymond Board of Selectmen recently took the following actions in October 2002:
- Approved administrative abatements;
- Authorized payment of the Cumberland County Tax Assessor’s Return;
- Appointed Robert Akins as Warden for the November 5, 2002, Election;
- Appointed Alice Richards, Kathryn Wallace, and Elisa Trepney as new Election Clerks for the November 5, 2002, Election;
- Accepted Revised General Assistance Benefit Levels;
- Accepted Al Morrison’s resignation from the Route 302 Regional Committee;
- Vote not to endorse the Maine Municipal Association’s Tax Reform Initiative;
- Authorized the establishment of a Town Office Building Committee;
- Voted to hire Robert Davis Architect to prepare a Site Plan Concept for a New Town Office and Library.

Town Office Building Committee To Be Formed

The Board of Selectmen is interested in studying the possibility of building a new town office. At this time they are asking for volunteers to determine whether a new town office should be built, and if so where it should be located. There also is great need for an enlargement of the Village Library, and it has been proposed that a new or enlarged library be a part of this study. The Selectmen are looking for representatives with interest in these projects, as well as relevant expertise in evaluating construction alternatives, to form this committee.

Representative Needed For RTAC

The Board of Selectmen are asking for a volunteer to represent the Town of Raymond as our Regional Transportation Advisory Committee member.

Town Office Holiday Schedule

Thanksgiving
Closed for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, November 28th, 29th, 30th

Christmas
Closed December 24th at noon, closed December 25th

New Years
Closed December 31 at noon, closed January 1st

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Raymond Fire/Rescue Activity

Raymond Food Pantry
By: Diane Goosetrey

The Raymond Food Pantry was established to help Raymond residents in times of need. This need may arise from job layoff, illness, disaster (fire), marital trouble and is on a temporary basis.

People may reach me by contacting Raymond Town Hall at 655-4742, and someone will put them in touch with me. I am not an employee of Raymond, merely a volunteer; therefore people must contact me to set-up an appointment at our mutual convenience. Please note food will not be given out just by walking in the door.

Only dry goods, canned or frozen items are available and will be given out ONCE a month while there is a need.

The following are no longer needed—plain white rice, peanut butter, mashed potato, peas, no beans of any kind at this time and that includes baked, green, wax, kidney, peanut butter, mashed potato, peas, no beans of any kind at this time and that includes baked, green, wax, kidney, no any canned veggies.

The following items are always in short supply:
- Laundry detergent, dish detergent, Clorox, Comet, Brillo pads, Windex, household liquid cleaners.
- All personal care products and all types of paper products plus baggies and plastic wraps.
- Cookies, Pop Tarts, Nutrition Bars, Fruit Roll-ups, crackers of all types.
- Pancake/waffle mix and syrups as well as cake mixes and frosting.
- Cooking oils, Crisco, sugar, flour; cooking sprays are always in short supply as well as mayonnaise.

If anyone has any meat, sausage, luncheon, bacon, hot dogs, hamburger, chicken, small turkeys, roasts, stew, chops, deer meat in SMALL quantities, margarine/butter that they wish to donate and can be frozen, please contact me.

We would be most grateful to receive any of the things listed, and they can be dropped off at Raymond Town Hall during regular hours. If frozen, please contact me first.

If anyone would like to donate money to be used to purchase items missing from our pantry, please send or drop off at town hall and mark it for the Food Pantry Account.
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Results:
- Contacted Roberta Hill of the Portland Water District to receive overview of present colonies, vulnerability assessments, prior inspection activities, plant structure and habitat characteristics. Acquired literature and field guides on invasive aquatic plants.
- Researched invasive aquatic plants through various sources such as the State of Maine and the University of Florida’s Aquatic Research websites.
- Attended educational workshops hosted by the Lakes Environmental Association (LEA) and the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP).

Shoreline Monitoring
Action: Completed a shoreline survey of all five lakes in Raymond: Crescent Lake, Notched Pond, Panther Pond, Raymond Pond, and Thomas Pond.

Results:
- No invasive aquatic plants were found along pond or lake shorelines. Existing plant colonies in Panther Run below the dam and a canal in Bayview Estates were confirmed and management has begun (see below).

Public Education
Action: Educated lake users and interested parties on the importance of keeping boats and trailers free from invasive plant fragments.

Results:
- Informed hundreds of boaters and passengers, through the inspection process, of the necessity to keep boats, trailers, and equipment cleaned of plant fragments.
- Educated numerous individuals through one-on-one sessions about the risks of transporting plant fragments from infested lakes to non-infested lakes.
- Contacted eight local marinas to inform them of our program, delivered “Eleven Most Unwanted” posters, and alerted them of the need to keep their customers and aware of the local and statewide actions to prevent the spread of these plants.
- Provided hands-on instruction to over sixty volunteers and boaters through eradication efforts at both Panther Run and Bayview Estates canal on Sebago Lake (see below).

For more information about mentoring - spending an hour a week with a Raymond child - please call our office at RES, 655-8672, ext. 107. If you would like to support this program in a way other than being a mentor, perhaps you have a talent to share with us on a workshop basis?

Eradication of Variable Milfoil Colonies
Action: Began management of Variable Milfoil at two locations: Panther Run below the Mill Street dam, and a canal located in Bayview Estates.

Results:
- Coordinated efforts to remove approximately 10,000 square feet of infested area downstream of the Panther Run dam. Utilized the assistance of 20 volunteers per hour to pull plants at 70 square feet per person hour. Placed approximately 1,000 square feet of GTF 200 geo-textile fabric over both extracted and non-extracted plants.
- Assisted motivated and dedicated property owners with dredging and anti-milfoil efforts at a canal in Bayview Estates on Sebago Lake with identified Variable Milfoil. Completed trial run with fifteen residents and various devices to clean-up approximately 300 square feet. Eradication efforts continued in October on the remaining sections of the canal.

In summary, Raymond’s Milfoil/IAS program was a great success during 2002. The Milfoil Committee of the Raymond Waterways Protective Association intends to continue these efforts next year and in future years. Our vision is to expand the efforts and duties of the Lake Protection Rangers to include education and landowner assistance with not only milfoil prevention, but water quality protection through erosion and phosphorous control.

Mentoring Program Starts Second Year
Mentors and their mentees braved a drizzly October afternoon as the Mentoring Partnership officially kicked off its second year at the miniature golf course at Westerly Winds/ Sunset Ridge. The following week, several mentoring pairs participated in a drama games workshop led by Jody Fein, an instructor at the Fiddlehead Center for the Arts.

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The Mentoring Partnership is collaborating with the PTA to bring The Rhythm Inlet, a drumming performance using percussion instruments from all over the world, to a schoolwide assembly on November 21st. Mentors and mentees will be able to participate in a drumming workshop and a program Family Dinner performance as well.

Raymond PTA Holiday Fair
Friday, November 22, 2002
6:00 – 7:30pm
Raymond Elementary School

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Cake Walk
Join The Fun And Win A Cake

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Kindergarten Fall Fest

The soccer field at Raymond Elementary School was transformed into a barnyard on Friday, October 11th, as the Kindergarten classes held their annual Fall Fest festivities in celebration of their farm and fall units of study. The children had been learning in their classrooms all about the workers, families, animals, crops, machinery, tools, buildings and land areas that make up the culture of life on a Maine farm in the fall. They have been involved in a wide variety of projects including special children’s literature stories, writing activities, science and social studies lessons, art projects and even math activities with a variety of fall and farm items for manipulatives. This special outdoor event created active and fabulous authenticity to their indoor learning.

The kindergarten staff, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Gillis, Ms. O’Donnell, and Mr. Seymour are ready for Old MacDonald’s farm at Fall Fest.

JSMS Report

By: Charles Miller, Principal

As October came to a close, our JSMS soccer teams are coming to the end of a great season. The girls’ record as of Oct 22nd was 7 wins, no losses, and 4 ties. The boys’ record was 4 wins, 5 losses and 3 ties. We are looking forward to the start of basketball season in December, with tryouts happening after the Thanksgiving break.

The first term will come to a close on November 1st, and this marking period will be the first time we issue computerized report cards. The look may be different, but the content will remain consistent with our previous report cards.

During the first two weeks of December, we will be administering the first portion of the Maine Educational Assessment (MEA) tests to our eighth grade students. The second part of the test will be administered in March.

Two Jordan-Small eighth grade students have been selected to participate with 3275 other 6-12 graders in the Maine Math Science and Engineering Talent Search. They are Amanda Hammett and Ian Acker. In the first round they were selected to participate with 3275 other 6-12 graders in the Maine Math Science and Engineering Talent Search. They are Amanda Hammett and Ian Acker.

The activities of the day included corn husking, passing apples around a circle in aprons, tossing apples into apple crates, taking leaves and stuffing scarecrows, jumping over pumpkins, pumpkin bowling, horse racing around the gate, dressing up in farmer clothes to shoo the crow out of the cornstalks, face painting, and cooperative team effort at pulling a hay bale around the barn. Students, teachers and parent helpers also enjoyed games of “Farmer in the Dell.” Everyone enjoyed their picnic lunches and snacks of apples and apple juice outside in the fall weather.

The kindergarten staff would like to graciously thank so many families that lent and donated needed supplies for this event. This special day would not have been possible without the support we especially received from those parents that were able to come and help set up, clean up and so enthusiastically supervise and guide the children through each event. We are so appreciative for their support and spirit which they shared with us throughout the day. Our special thanks go out to: Susan Mitchell, Kathy Winde, Andrea Millette, Christine Cayer, Colleen Drew, Kim Fisher, Kim Allen, Lisa Dyke, Diana Jeffrey, Shirley Collins, Lori & John Rand, Sue-Ellen Gendron, Ellen & Ed Gagne, Rachael Bayer, Lynn Dostie, Elizabeth Algros, Donna Pite, Gale Cole and Debbie Cutten. Our extra special recognition and thanks go to Denise Cline for arranging with Chipman Farm for their donations of the hay bales and corn cobs and to April & Ross Wisutske for transporting the hay to our school.

It was wonderful to have several of the upper grade classes and Kindergarten “Book Buddies” come outside for a few minutes in their day to watch, cheer and share our outdoor learning fun. This is one example of how our full Day...
Two will raise funds for two metal “shade/rain” shelters welcome our entire community to join in this effort. Phase some very positive and humorous quotes also. We a brick. There are several bricks from past students and wished. We know forms get lost so please use the one fundraiser in the Spring, could still participate if they below. You do not have to have a child in school to purchase their parents so that anybody who missed the brick each student recently received a form to bring home to gone to the following titles: 

Because of Winn-Dixie, Joey for the stage and picnic tables. It will also cover a portable sound system, wiring and lights to make the stage functional for outdoor performances. The goal is to be done before our Bicentennial Founders Day Celebration. Take a look! If you are driving by the school, take a couple of minutes to look at how much has been accomplished so far. The new grass is coming in well, and the area no longer looks like a building site or desolate scrub field.

JSMS Recreation Area News

Last Chance! ... to buy a named brick for the JSMS Walkway.

Each student recently received a form to bring home to their parents so that anybody who missed the brick fundraiser in the Spring, could still participate if they wished. We know forms get lost so please use the one below. You do not have to have a child in school to purchase a brick. There are several bricks from past students and some very positive and humorous quotes also. We welcome our entire community to join in this effort. Phase Two will raise funds for two metal “shade/rain” shelters for the stage and picnic tables. It will also cover a portable sound system, wiring and lights to make the stage functional for outdoor performances. The goal is to be done before our Bicentennial Founders Day Celebration. Take a look! If you are driving by the school, take a couple of minutes to look at how much has been accomplished so far. The new grass is coming in well, and the area no longer looks like a building site or desolate scrub field.

Support the completion of the brick walkway and the recreation area by buying a custom engraved brick.

For only $35 you can have your name or favorite quote on a brick, which will last beyond your student’s time at JSMS!

To purchase one or more engraved bricks, simply fill out the form below and return to school by November 30, 2002.

Name:

Phone: (___)_________ E-Mail address:

Address: ________________________________________________________________

Amount enclosed: $__________ Minimum donation of $35/brick

Make checks payable to JSMS Recreation Area

Please return form to JSMS or RES with your child or mail to:

Jordan-Small Middle School
423 Webbs Mills Road
Raymond, ME 04071

I Care Cat visits RES health aide, Nurse Sharon Guitard, and reminds all of our elementary students that following I Care rules and using I Care language can keep them healthy and happy.

One student mentioned that some of the names engraved on the bricks seemed similar. Please be sure to check your form carefully to ensure that your child’s name is spelled correctly.

For further information or to help with this fundraiser, please contact the following people:

Diane Zawistowski 655-7341, Linda O’Neill 655-5254

Read Across America
Raymond Elementary School Reading Club
By: Mrs. Keef, library@raymonddmaine.org

It’s not W.E.B. or Light the Lamp .... it’s Read Across America! Come see the new map of the United States on the wall of the library - beautiful!

The goal of the program is to have all students reading books of their reading level for fun. Ten picture books (they average 20 to 30 pages) or three hundred pages (using multiple books) is the monthly objective. The program is designed to last October through May.

When the students come into the library during October they will be given a sheet to keep track of their progress. These record sheets will be kept in the library and organized by classroom teachers. Once a book is recorded they will be given a marker to start their “trip”. The markers are pieces of paper printed with their name or library number. There are enough regions on the map to go through March, with the states of Alaska and Hawaii being the last two places to visit in April and May. Each week they can move their marker within the region they started in on the map. Every time a student reads either ten picture books or three hundred pages, they will get to move their marker to another region of the United States map. A small reward will be given every time the challenge is met. The reward each time will be the same for every student that completes the task.

All record keeping will be done in the library. A graph listed by classes will be kept on the wall to show group progress.

For students who kept track of books they read during the summer in anticipation of continuing the Light the Lamp program, a special bonus raffle will be held. I have slips of paper for them to record individual book titles. After filling them in, the slips will be put into a container and some will be drawn out and prizes awarded.

Any questions? Just ask me!

Raymond Elementary School librarian Deb Keef is ready to Read Across America with RES students this year.

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Raymond Rec. Wednesday Afternoon Ski/Snowboard Program Sign Up
Sign up night: Wed. November 13, 2002 From: 6:00 to 8:00 pm At: Jordan-Small Middle School gym
Open to students 4th through 6th Grade.
Eight-week program starts Wed. Jan. 8, 2003, through Wed. March 5, 2003. Buses leave RES and JSMS at 12:30 PM on Wednesday afternoons at 12:30 PM and arrive back at JSMS at 5:00 PM
**Wed. ski program will run concurrently with PE periods so 5th and 6th grades can participate.
Cost:
- Lift Only $89.00
- Lift/Ski rental 149.00
- Lift/Snowboard rental 159.00
- Helmet Rental 20.00
All Payment is due before 12/1/02. Prices increase after 12/1/02.
Due to limited number of snowboard instructors, snowboard spaces could be limited. For more information, call Kathy Anaka 627-4748
Important Note: Student participating in program and a guardian must be present to sign liability forms. If signing up for more than one program, a separate check will be required for each.

Snowboard Instructors Needed For Wednesday Snowboard Program
There is an urgent need for snowboard instructors for the Wednesday afternoon snowboard program. We need responsible adults with snowboarding experience. Instructor clinics will be offered. The Wed. program will run for eight weeks starting Jan. 8, 2003, ending March 5, 2003, from 12:30 pm until 5 pm. Instructors earn free lift tickets. Please call Kathy Anaka for more information.

Raymond Elementary School Students Honored
Raymond Elementary School 4th grade students were honored for their achievements in 4-Hand the Equestrian Special Olympics.
Justin Winslow spent four days at the Fryebug Fairgrounds. He received several trophies, ribbons, and a plaque for the open working steer class, showmanship, cart class and dress class.
Kelley Handy and Jackie Gausey participated in the Equestrian Special Olympics at the Skowhegan State Fairgrounds. Kelley participated in several events including the obstacle course and equestrian showing. She received a 1st and 5th place showing. Jackie also participated in several events. She won a blue and red ribbon for the walk, trot, and trail class.

Raymond Recreation Citrus Fundraiser
This is the time of year you may make a financial contribution to the Raymond Recreation Association programs by purchasing citrus fruit for the holidays. We are conducting a sale of fresh Indian River grapefruit and oranges from Florida. The sale will run through November 22nd. Advance orders only will be taken. Direct shipment from Florida is scheduled for the week of December 2 and will be available for kick-up at 5 Damon Road off Rt. 85 (as in the past, follow signs) on Saturday, December 7th, from 9:00 am to noon.
Proceeds from the sale will be used for funding skiing and swimming programs sponsored by Raymond Rec. This is our only fund raising effort, and we appreciate your support.
If you do not wish to purchase a box of fruit for yourself, perhaps you would purchase a box which could then be delivered with the food baskets prepared by the Raymond Fire Auxiliary. Just indicate “For Christmas Food Boxes” on the order form. We have made boxes of our fruit available in the past, and they have been greatly enjoyed!!!
Or you may mail a tax deductible contribution to RRA at P.O. Box 562, Raymond ME 04071

Indoor Swimming
Once again the indoor swim program will be available to third and fourth graders this fall. Red Cross instruction will be provided at the Colonial Mast pool in Naples Wednesday afternoons directly after school. Children are bussed from RES and collected at the pool by parents.

DATES
Nov. 13, 20, 27
Dec. 4, 11, 18
COST $25
Registration forms will be available at school.
For more information call Alex Jackson 627-7422

Coaches Make a Difference
By: Pat Smith
Coaches and parents with children involved in our local recreation programs might be interested in learning that recent research shows that the way a coach works with a child can have an impact for a lifetime. Sounds profound!

A researcher from Arizona State University recently found a clear link between good sportsmanship and a well-developed set of morals with children who experienced “good coaching.” He suggests that good coaching defines success as mastering and improving skills rather than winning, and that holds the key to building good character. Children exposed to mastery-oriented-coaching are less likely to risk injuring others or intimidate opponents.

What you do does make a difference in children. Let’s keep our programs Safe, Sound and Fun!!! It starts with the coaching.

Arizona Interscholastic Association, 7007 North 18th St., Phoenix AZ 85020
http://www.aiasonline.org

Raymond Rec. Basketball Registration – Wednesday, November 13th
What’s that smell in the air? Could it be that pair of sneakers itching to head up to Jordan-Small Middle School Gym for some BASKETBALL? Yes! Yes! Yes! The season is upon us. Again, this year’s program will be open to all youths and will be set up into the following three groups: (depending on turnout)
- 1st and 2nd Graders (Combined Boys And Girls)
- 3rd and 4th Graders (Boys League/Girls League)
- 5th and 6th Graders (Boys League/Girls League)

Like all programs, the success of each depends on its volunteers. Anyone wishing to help in any capacity, please indicate on the registration form. Special thank you to all of last year’s volunteers, coaches and school staff members for many endless hours and support.

Registration is Wednesday, November 13th, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Jordan-Small Middle School Gymnasium. The cost will be $25.00 per child, payable by cash or check (made out to Raymond Rec.). Please remember if you wish to sign up for more than one program that evening, separate checks will be required for accounting purposes.

Additional information available at sign up, or please feel free to contact one of the following:
David McGowan @ 655-4448 or E-mail dmcgowan@maine.rr.com
Jeff Weeks @ 998-5307 or E-mail jeffrews@megalink.net

Ladies Soccer Monday Nights
Ladies Soccer has started up again! Every Monday night at 5pm a group of ladies/moms get together at JSMS gym to play indoor soccer. It’s a great way to get a little exercise and have fun! No experience necessary! So put the kids to bed, grab your sneakers and join us on Monday night!

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To order form provided. Questions, call 655-4657.

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Maine Recycling Week,
November 8th - 15th
Maine Recycles Week, November 8-15, is an annual state-wide campaign to promote recycling and the purchase of recycled content materials. As part of Maine Recycling Week, municipalities, schools, and businesses all over the state are encouraged to participate in special recycling related events.

Check out the resources at http://www.state.me.us/spo/wmdr/trnwk/celebrate.htm

People are encouraged not only to recycle, but to “close the loop” and buy recycled products. Look at the labels of paper products to see the content of recycled paper. Ideally, you should buy “post-consumer” paper, as this is the stuff that we put out each week in our recycling bins.

More Recycling Bins Available in November
Now you can get rid of that beat-up cardboard box you may have been using to put your recycling out. Raymond residents who missed out on the original distribution of recycling bins can now pick one up at the town office (if they are willing to take the “Recycling Pledge”). One hundred fifty bins will be available on a first-come-first-served basis.

This follows up a similar program last spring, which gave 50 bins to the schools for use in classrooms and 70 for residents to pick at the town office. The boost in participation at the schools is requiring extra roll out bins for pick up! This is also thanks to the involvement of teachers who are helping to promote recycling at both schools. Bravo! Recycling is a great process to teach to children, as there is no question that we will have to recycle more in the future. World resources are dwindling, but by reusing and recycling more, we can overcome the problem.

Local Families Participate In Asthma Walk
Congratulations to the following Raymond residents for completing the first annual Asthma Walk: The Meader Family—Bradley, Greg, Danielle, Tom and Carol; The Conley Family—Zack, Jake, Mark and Lisa; and Heidi Tucker. The 3.5 mile walk took place around Back Bay in Portland on September 29th. The Raymond participants were part of the Asthma Attackers! Team. The team raised a total of $1,415. All money raised goes to the American Lung Association of Maine for asthma research and education. Currently, there is no cure for asthma, and Maine has the highest rate of adult asthma in the country.

If you would like more information on asthma or would like to be involved in next year’s Asthma Walk, contact the American Lung Association of Maine at 1-800-499-5864.

Boy Scout Troop 800 Scribe Report For October
By: Elijah Hughes, Troop Scribe
Troop 800 has had such a busy October! On the first weekend, we had the hike up Tumbledown Mountain, and we had meetings every Tuesday night. Most of the scouts also play sports like soccer. We have also been busy with fund raising events. The committee has been busy planning the Merit Badge College.

The hike up Tumbledown was a challenging hike up a steep rocky slope which made it hard to keep up with the person in front of you. Each scout had a very heavy back pack on his shoulders. But, at the top, we were pushed along with 25 knot winds and were rewarded with a spectacular view! I heard from star gazers that the stars were beautiful. But, of course, I was fast asleep by the pond that sat nestled between three mountain peaks.

At our meetings in October, we will split up to do two different events.

- Carving a sign for each of our patrols
- Play in a troop wide checkers tournament

Thank you for your popcorn orders. We expect to take delivery of the popcorn on November 9th. We are now taking orders for Christmas wreaths. The money from these sales will help us on our trip to Gettysburg next July and go to the troop general fund. The Troop is having a bean supper at RVCC on November 23rd, from 4:30 to 6:30. All profits will go to the Gettysburg fund.

We will be having a Merit Badge College where scouts can earn different badges of merit (skills taught by volunteering adults). It will take place on these dates: November 7 & 21, December 12, January 9, and a snow date of January 16. It will be held at the Jordan-Small Middle School (JEMS) at 6:30. The badges that will be taught are:

- Electricity
- Communication
- Computer
- Citizenship/community
- Family life
- Personal Management
- HAM radio & license
- Engineering
- Aviation
- Citizenship-world
- Model building
- Citizenship-nation
- Environmental science
- Physical fitness
- Dog care
- Coin collecting
- Graphic arts

Coming in November: A report on our overnighter to Camp Nutter in Acton and an update on our fundraising events and more……..

We hold the meetings at the Raymond Village Community Church (RVCC) at 6:30. If you would like to join or have any questions, call our Scoutmaster Mr. Tom Wiley at 655-2048.

Raymond Student Awarded Scholarship
Giselle R. Pomerleau of Raymond, Maine, is currently attending Villanova University in Pennsylvania. Upon graduation in 2002 from Hebron Academy, Giselle was awarded the US Naval Reserve Officer Training Corp. (NROTC) Scholarship.

In addition to taking a full complement of classes, Giselle underwent a rigorous five-week course of physical training. At the completion of this initial training, she was sworn in on October 1, 2002, as Midshipman 4th Class of the United States Navy by Admiral William Fallon, Vice Chief of Naval Operations.

Giselle is the daughter of Timothy and Tina Pomerleau of Raymond and attended Jordan-Small School, Windham Middle School, and Hebron Academy.

Open House
Sunday, November 10, 2002
1:00-3:00pm
Hebron Academy
Route 119, Hebron, Maine
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R.S.V.P. to the Admissions Office at 888-432-7664 www.hebronacademy.org