

Raymond Enters Agreement With Frye Island For Limited Law Enforcement Services

By: Don Willard, Town Manager

The Raymond Board of Selectmen entered into a limited agreement for a two-year period with the Town of Frye Island for law enforcement services at their June 7, 2005, meeting. The primary focus of this inter-local effort is to support the Sebago Water Safety Watch effort. Raymond and Frye Island are partnering together to combine resources in order to provide a public safety presence on Sebago Lake. The agreement, which has been reviewed by town counsel

as well as the Maine Municipal Association, runs for a two-year period and may be terminated by either party with 30 days written notice. The Frye Island Police will provide monthly activity reports to Raymond. Raymond's contribution to the effort is provision of the town's public safety boat for lake patrol and a contribution of \$500 toward fuel each year. The town will name the Frye Island police chief and full-time police officer as Raymond constables. . Patrolling by boat will occur within the limits of Raymond on Sebago Lake. Services on the water will include advising boaters on safe boating practices and exercising the statutory and common law powers and duties of police officers and local harbormasters. Frye Island, through its police department, will also provide qualified police officers and limited law enforcement services to Raymond. These services are patrolling the Cape Road, Hawthorne Road, and addressing observed violations by assisting the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department as they travel between the two communities. A minimum of 20 hours per week of service will be provided in the

outlined areas by Frye Island officers.

This agreement is not intended to replace or alter the police coverage received from either the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department or the Maine State Police. Residents with emergency concerns should dial 911 or contact those agencies directly at the following telephone numbers to report an incident requiring police assistance: Cumberland County Sheriff's Office, Tel. 1-800-501-1111; Maine State Police Barracks, Gray, Tel. 657-3030.

The agreement provides a means to share resources in order to address these specific areas of policing concern for the benefit of the residents of the two towns. Travelers and boaters should be advised that regular patrol activity will occur on Hawthorne and Cape Roads as well as on the water on Sebago Lake. The agreement between Raymond and Frye Island requires Frye Island to carry general liability insurance including automobile liability, police professional liability and Workers Compensation Insurance, and names Raymond as an additional insured on the

liability policies. In addition, Frye Island agrees to indemnify and hold Raymond harmless against any claims including claims by designated officers for compensation and indemnification for injury or sickness arising out of the agreement.

The Town of Raymond entered into the agreement in order to promote maximum utilization of available local resources and to provide citizen requested public safety services, while at the same time minimizing the expense to the community. There is hope that this arrangement will be successful over the two-year trial period and will continue with additional renewals. One concern that has plagued similar agreements is interagency competitiveness interfering with shared delivery of service. Raymond hopes by taking the first step with Frye Island toward working together that these concerns will be minimized and that all public safety agencies will see the obvious benefit to the residents of Raymond and Frye Island of the two towns working together.

Road Runner Articles Due

Articles for the next edition of the *Road Runner* newsletter are due by July 21. Please provide them by any of the following methods:

E-Mail; Diskette; Paper; CDROM
Articles should be submitted in RTF and pictures in JPEG format. E-mail articles and pictures to:

roadrunner@raymondmaine.org
or drop them off at the Town Office or at one of the school offices.

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<http://www.raymondmaine.org>

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- Automobile registration
- Hunting and fishing licenses
- Assessment information
- Property & other maps

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Revaluation Update – June 2005

It's June, and Vision Appraisal Technology, Inc. continues to be on schedule! Vision personnel will be doing callbacks during the remainder of June and early July for seasonal properties that have not had an interior inspection. Your cooperation with this request is greatly appreciated!

The sales analysis process is underway as

well as field reviews. Vision personnel may visit your property even though you have had a previous visit.

It is anticipated at this point that letters of value will be mailed during the latter part of July. The letter will indicate the value placed on your property and indicate how you can contact Vision to discuss the value.

You will have an opportunity to review the value with Vision appraisers prior to tax commitment.

If you have any further questions, please contact Amanda L. Simpson, Assessors' Agent at amanda.simpson@raymondmaine.org or 207-655-4742 ext. 51.

“Last Chance To Give”

A big thank you to all who contributed to the R.I.S.E. fundraiser, to all who helped raise the money, and to the town for its cooperation. The account will be closed on July 8, 2005, and a check sent to the Sahana Project from the residents of Raymond. If you wish to donate before July 8, please fill out the form on page 5 of this issue. Although we did not meet our

goal, the money raised will be much appreciated and will be combined with the efforts of others. If you wish to donate after July 8, please make your check out to the UU Church - Sahana Project and mail to The Sahana Project, c/o The Universalist Unitarian Church, P.O.Box 435, Waterville, ME 04903. Thank you, The R.I.S.E. Committee.



Public Works Director Nathan White was recently honored at the Windham Rotary Derby Fest Annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet. Derby Fest organizer Tom Noonan presented Mr. White with a plaque conveying the club's highest volunteer recognition, the Paul Harris Service Award. The award was to recognize Nathan's extra efforts in support of this year's successful Derby Fest.

Raymond Veterans Committee

The Raymond Veterans Memorial Committee would like to find people who are interested in joining them to plan and erect a memorial to the Veterans who have served the United States from Raymond.

We need input from the residents of Raymond about what Raymond should have and where. We are also looking for volunteer veterans to help steer this committee. We need to do some planning, coordinate with the various town agencies and possibly the state, and to discuss fund raising strategies. We need to get input from the residents about a design concept.

If you are interested in this committee, please call Louise Lester at the town office. Howard Stiles is acting as committee chairperson at this time. We need volunteers for this committee, especially veterans.

With our Armed Forces currently engaged all over the world, it is a fitting time for those of us who have served to come together to form this committee in order to place an appropriate monument to honor all Raymond residents that serve or have served to protect this great country of ours.

Municipal News Brief

By Don Willard, Town Manager

The Raymond Board of Selectmen took the following actions in June 2005.

Tuesday, June 7, 2005:

1. Elected a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for 2005/2006 Fiscal Year. Betty McDermott was elected chairman and Mike Reynolds as Vice Chairman.
2. Approved 2005/2006 Board of Selectmen Committee Appointments as presented by the town clerk. Selectmen delegates to various town committees were also assigned including: Town Office/Library Building Committee – Lonnie Taylor, Cemetery Committee – Betty McDermott, Conservation Commission – Mark Gendron, GPCOG – Mike Reynolds with Don Willard as alternate, Library – Betty McDermott, Mid-Maine Waste Association MMWAC – Dana Desjardins, One Raymond – Mark Gendron and Dana Desjardins, Raymond Rec – Lonnie Taylor, Recycling – Mike Reynolds, Tassel Top Committee – Betty McDermott, Veterans Memorial – Dana Desjardins, Web & Technology Committee – Mark Gendron, Assessment Review – Selectmen representative to be named at a later date.
3. Residents with concerns within the responsibility of these committees are encouraged to contact the appropriate Selectmen representative.
4. Board of Assessment Review interviews were conducted with Ray W. Kelso and Paul C. Barber. Brenda L. Tubbs was unable to attend and will be scheduled for the June 21, 2005, Selectmen Meeting. The Selectmen will appoint three regular and two alternate members to the Board of Assessment Review.
5. Raymond Village Library Three-year Plan Presentation – Lori Rand. Mrs. Rand provided data regarding the high level of community use of the Raymond Village Library as well as comparison material with similar sized libraries in the region. She noted that keeping up with the demand for services was increasingly difficult with more people wanting services in such areas as recreational reading, general information, and preschool and adult programs. The Selectmen were impressed with both the high level of services provided and the high level of community volunteerism.
6. Friends of the Playground - Request for committee status – Candace Woolston. Mrs. Woolston and others have organized a volunteer group called Friends of the Playground with the mission of working with the town to improve the playground at Sheri Gagnon Park from a maintenance, operations and equipment standpoint. The Friends of the Playground wish to obtain town committee status in order to begin discussions of ways to make substantive improvements in the play area through the utilization of community volunteers, private sector donations, and utilization of existing public resources. The town manager outlined that approximately \$7,000 is available at this time for Park improvements. The Selectmen unanimously approved forming a seven-member committee to be called Friends of the Playground.
7. Selectmen service recognition plaques – Ada Brown and Christine McClellan. Chairman McDermott presented plaques to outgoing Selectmen Ada Brown and Christine McClellan for their service to Raymond as members of the Board of Selectmen. The inscriptions were as follows: “Ada K. Brown is recognized on this day, June 7, 2005, by the Raymond Board of Selectmen for her diligent work as a Selectman and the leadership she brought to the Route 302 waterline project, Public Safety Building construction and her untiring commitment to achieve improved public access through support of the digital broadcast studio. Her guidance and experience have been a source of stability for which the Selectmen have been most appreciative.” “Christine O. McClellan is recognized on this day, June 7, 2005, by the Raymond Board of Selectmen for her diligent work as a Selectman and the leadership she brought to the Route 302 Project and the following Raymond Beautification Committee. Her interest and dedication to the 2004

Comprehensive Plan Committee was instrumental to its successful adoption by the town.”

8. Raymond Conservation Commission open space land management discussion – Elizabeth Algeo, Co-Chair, Raymond Conservation Commission. Mrs. Algeo requested that the Selectmen give consideration to imposing deed restrictions and/or other mechanisms to ensure that the land to be purchased from Trudilynn Files that once served as the town’s municipal landfill will remain undeveloped after acquisition by the town. The Conservation Commission would like to work with the town in creating a long-term management program for the site. The town manager was instructed to contact the town attorney to explore alternatives to best manage the parcel and meet the objectives of the town.
9. Raymond Recreation Swimming Program Proposal – Pat Smith, Raymond Recreation President. Pat Smith announced that Raymond Recreation was able to obtain private sector insurance to replace the cancelled coverage previously provided by the town with a premium that was manageable for program participants. The insurance would have an approximate impact per participant of approximately \$3. She thanked the town for the help in exploring alternatives for program insurance both through the town and private sources. Raymond Recreation is unique among Maine towns in that it relies exclusively on volunteers for its management and a good deal of programming. Major changes to the program, which has served the Town of Raymond well for over the past 40 years, were averted through the acquisition of private sector insurance.
10. Selectmen proposed workshop-meeting schedule with department heads. The town manager presented the draft schedule for Selectmen review and feedback. The purpose of the meetings is for the Selectmen to discuss issues of concern, set goals and objectives during the fiscal year and make recommendations for change in upcoming budgets. The meetings will be organized like regular meetings, will be televised and will include approval of treasurer’s warrants.
11. Executive Session – Consultation with Code Enforcement Officer on pending enforcement matter in District Court Title 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6h). No action was taken.
12. Executive Session - Discussion of acquisition of real property and consultation with legal counsel as outlined under Maine Revised Statutes (M.R.S.A.) Title 1, §405(6)C&E. No action taken pending further investigation by the Code Enforcement Officer.
13. Executive Session – Discussion of personnel matter as authorized under Title 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6a). No action taken.
14. Old (unfinished) business.
 - a. Consideration of Municipal Policing Services Agreement with Frye Island. A two-year agreement was presented by the town manager to provide inter-local water safety and policing services between Raymond and Frye Island. The genesis of the agreement was the request by the citizen group Sebago Water Safety Watch for a level of boating safety and enforcement presence on Sebago Lake during the summer season. From that request an opportunity was also made available by Frye Island to obtain a limited amount of traffic safety patrol services on Cape Road and Hawthorne Road. (See associated articles in this issue of the *Raymond Road Runner*.) The Selectmen approved a two-year agreement with Frye Island for limited water safety and police services.
15. Town Manager Report and Communications.
 - a. The town manager reported that he had been in communication with the Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT), and that Raymond had received a Governor’s Deed for the Panther Run Rest Area. Beautification Committee volunteers as well as community volunteers will partner with the town to maintain and improve the landscaping at the site. The property can be used for any municipal purpose. Current plans call for maintaining the site as it had been in previous years under state ownership as a rest area. Annual

expenses include the cost of mowing and a porta-potty.

- b. Alterations in assessing office. The town manager reported that no building renovations would be needed in order to accommodate separation of the public records space from office space in the assessing office. The area formerly occupied by the part-time secretary will be converted back exclusively to a public records area with the secretary occupying the small office formerly used by the Cumberland County Sheriff’s patrol.
 - c. New Gloucester request to nominate additional candidate for Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Executive Committee. The town manager announced that New Gloucester Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Steve Libby has asked the Raymond Selectmen to submit a petition on behalf of Rosemary Kulow, New Gloucester Town Manager, to be considered as a candidate for the MMA Executive Board. The Selectmen agreed to place this item on their next meeting agenda on June 21, 2005.
 - d. Fire Department – Fire Chief Denis Morse addressed the Selectmen with a request to utilizing existing equipment and CIP funds for the replacement of the leaking steel tank on Raymond Fire/Rescue Tank 2. Replacement of the tank would enable another 10 to 15 years use of the existing chassis and the tank could be reused on successive trucks. The specific request to the Selectmen was to allow the fire chief to seek competitive bids and discuss the purchase of a new poly tank at an upcoming Selectmen meeting. Tank 2 has already had an engine rehabilitation, new transmission, and new paint.
16. Approved Fiscal Warrants – Payroll and Appropriation Warrants dated June 7, 2005.

June 21, 2005:

- 1) Board of Assessment Review interviews: William E. Priest; Brenda L. Tubbs; Charles Miller and Mary Jane Vandersluis. The Selectmen continued the interview process with Brenda L. Tubbs, Mary Jane Vandersluis, and Charles Miller. William Priest was unable to attend and will be rescheduled for the July 12th meeting. These applicants are all interested in serving on the new Board of Assessment Review. The Selectmen will ultimately be appointing five members to this board, one for one year; one for two years; one for three years; and two alternates. One of these alternates is for one year, and one alternate is for two years. Two candidates have been interviewed previously: Ray W. Kelso and Paul C. Barber.
- The purpose of the board is to hear appeals of decisions made by the Board of Assessors (the Selectmen) regarding property values.
- 2) Request for amendment to restaurant liquor license – William & Kimberly Hines, Whine’s Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Café Sebago. William & Kimberly Hines, Whine’s Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Café Sebago requested an amendment to their restaurant liquor license originally approved on February 7, 2005. Mr. and Mrs. Hines would like to include the existing back deck area for the consumption of alcohol. Use of this area would allow patrons who desire to have a cigarette with their drinks a place where they can do so. The Selectmen approved this request and instructed the town manager to write a letter communicating this decision to the State Department of Public Safety Liquor Licensing & Inspection Division. In order for the request to receive final approval, the state will need to insure that the request meets all applicable life safety codes.
 - 3) Special Amusement Application – William & Kimberly Hines, Whines Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Café Sebago. Mr. and Mrs. Hines also sought approval of a special amusement permit. The nature of the entertainment planned is one or two person musical acts performing acoustic entertainment. The special amusement permit request is confined to the interior of the building. They are not planning to make this a

RWPA Season in Progress

By Noralee Raymond, Executive Director, Raymond Waterways Protective Association

- **RWPA Annual Meeting- Thursday, August 4th, 6:30pm**
- **Two New Rangers on Board**
- **Milfoil Removal Projects**
- **Cruise the Buffers on Panther Pond**

RWPA Annual Meeting – August 4th, 6:30pm @ Raymond Public Safety Building
Please join us for our evening meeting, Thursday, August 4th from 6:30-8pm at the Raymond Public Safety Building. Come hear about our activities of the 2005 summer, get the most recent information on our milfoil program, meet new staff and volunteers, and learn what you can do to protect our lakes.

This year the RWPA Board decided to hold its Annual Meeting on a Thursday evening in hopes of increasing our attendance. We know it is difficult for individuals to sacrifice a sunny weekend afternoon for an indoor meeting when they can be on the lake. So we hope you may join us for a weekday evening, and we apologize for those members who are only here on the weekends.

Courtesy Boat Inspections- New Rangers on Board
RWPA is once again participating in the courtesy boat inspection program with funding assistance from the Maine DEP. We have hired two new rangers, Christina Perry and Al Lamanda, and we have one returning ranger, Mark Dixon. All three rangers are residents of Raymond and are working hard to protect our precious lake resources from the threat of invasive plants.

The rangers began inspecting boats at the ramps on Memorial Day weekend and will continue through until Labor Day Weekend. With three rangers on board, we hope to increase our coverage at all the ramps. Come to the Annual Meeting to hear more about their efforts. If you see them at the ramps be sure to thank them for their hard work.

Our rangers focus their coverage during peak hours. If you launch at the public ramps when they are not present or if you are launching from your own property, please be sure to inspect your boat, motor, and trailer for plant material when entering and exiting the lake. You do not need to be able to identify an invasive plant; just REMOVE ANY and ALL PLANT material before you launch.

Help us increase our inspection coverage. *Contact us today to volunteer to inspect boats and prevent invasive plants from infesting Raymond’s lakes.* You can commit to whatever fits your schedule – two hours once a week or one day of the summer. We will provide the training.

Milfoil Removal Projects
To continue with our 2004 efforts to prevent the spread of

known infestations, RWPA is continuing with several milfoil removal projects this summer. Just one week after the ice went off Sebago Lake, RWPA coordinated with Port Harbor Marina - Jordan Bay to hire a diver to pull milfoil and its roots from their canal. The project also included the placement of four benthic barriers (60’x15’ tarps) in areas where the thickest plant colonies were identified in 2004. RWPA will continue to monitor the area and place additional barriers in the canal if necessary.

RWPA is in the planning stages of continuing the removal project begun last fall at Dingley Brook. When the water levels were low in late fall 2004, twenty volunteers spent a morning removing milfoil from Dingley Brook. At the mouth of the brook where the water was deeper we were not able to effectively pull up the milfoil roots. This summer we are planning to hire divers to remove the colony at the mouth of the brook and lay a benthic tarp in that area.

If you think you have spotted an invasive plant be sure to give us a call, and we will come check it out as soon as possible. Early detection is essential to preventing the spread of these plants.

Cruise the Buffers on Panther Pond – Saturday, August 6th, 3-5pm
Join friends and neighbors on Panther Pond for an educational pontoon boat ride around the lake. See the shoreline and learn how to enhance your property and prevent erosion. You do not need to live on Panther Pond to participate. This educational cruise is part of the Panther Pond Conservation Project and will showcase the completed projects around the lake. To learn more about the project, read this month’s Panther Pond Notes. To sign up for the Cruise contact Noralee at 671-3329 or lakes@raymondmaine.org.

- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- Courtesy Boat Inspectors
 - Milfoil Removal Projects
 - Plant Shoreline Surveys
 - Water Quality Monitoring
 - Erosion Control Projects

Contact us at 207-671-3329 or lakes@raymondmaine.org



Port Harbor Marina Staff Laying Benthic Tarps to Control Milfoil

Municipal News Brief

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- regular weekly event, but will occasionally have entertainment, usually on a Friday or Saturday, for a two or three hour set. The special amusement permit was approved by the Selectmen.
- 4) Consideration of 2005 Municipal Fee Schedule – Town Clerk Louise Lester. Mrs. Lester presented the 2005 Municipal Fee Schedule including amendments, which received Selectmen review and approval.
 - 5) Consideration of New Gloucester Town Manager Rosemary Kulow as a write-in candidate for the Maine Municipal Association (MMA) Executive Committee. The Selectmen approved submitting a petition to allow Mrs. Kulow to put her name in nomination for an elected position on the Executive Committee.
 - 6) Executive Session – Consultation with Code Enforcement Officer on pending enforcement matter in District Court Title 1 M.R.S.A. §405(6h). The Hurd/Chevarie storage yard (junkyard) cleanup is now satisfactory and in compliance with applicable code. The Selectmen authorized the town manager to prepare a quit claim deed to the property for future consideration.
 - 7) The town manager announced that the town office would be closed on Friday July 1st for annual year end financial work and on Saturday July 2nd in recognition of the July 4th holiday.
 - 8) Approved Fiscal Warrants – Payroll and Appropriation Warrants dated June 21, 2005.

RWPA ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, August 6th
6:30-8pm
Raymond Public Safety Building

Compost Bins Are Here

If you ordered a compost bin this spring, please come into the town office and pick it up.

Frances Small Memorial

By: Louise Lester

We are still looking for funds to erect a granite bench near the Bicentennial Tree at Raymond Elementary School. We have had some wonderful gifts but need more to achieve the \$550 needed.

In the next few weeks we will be contacting anyone who went to school during Mrs. Small’s tenure to help us with this endeavor. Don’t be surprised if you get a call from an old schoolmate from the old Jordan-Small School.

I believe that honoring Frances Small is more than deserving for the years she taught, befriended, and guided (in my case patiently tried to teach piano) her pupils in Raymond.

Hazardous Waste Day

Saturday, August 6, 2005
9am to 1pm
Raymond Elementary School parking lot

- What you can bring:
- Oil based paints and varnishes
 - Flammable resins & adhesives
 - Non-processable paints
 - PCB Contaminated RCRA materials
 - Pesticides/Herbicides/Poisons
 - Corrosives/Oxidizers
 - Aerosols
 - Consolidated Organic Liquids
 - Antifreeze
 - Ni Cad Batteries (not regular household batteries)
 - Mercury items i.e. switches, human thermometers
 - Reactives/Dioxin Forming materials
 - Non-regulated materials
 - Fluorescent light tubes

If you have any questions, please call the Town Office at 655-4742 ext. 21. There will be a 50% charge associated with this service for the price of disposal.

Animal Control Report

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| May 20 | Deceased animal in road;disposed of it | |
| May 22 | Information about dog bite | |
| May 28 | Dog bite | summons issued |
| May 28 | Dog on beach | verbal warning |
| May 28 | Car accident | held dogs for owner |
| May 28 | Horses loose | verbal warning |
| May 29 | Dangerous dogs | summons issued |
| May 29 | Dog bite | quarantined in MA |
| June 1 | Barking dog | none found |
| June 2 | Dog at large | gone on arrival |
| June 2 | District Court appearance | |
| June 3 | Retrieve statements | |
| June 3 | Dog at large | verbal warning |
| June 3 | Cat hit by car | |
| June 3 | Stray dog | verbal warning |
| June 4 | Dog in yard | found owner |
| June 7 | Dog at large | summons |
| June 8 | Dog at large | summons |
| June 8 | Dog at large | gone on arrival |
| June 9 | District Court appearance | |
| June 11 | Removed dogs from beach | |
| June 12 | Removed dogs from beach | |
| June 13 | Removed dogs from beach | |
| June 14 | Dog at large | gone on arrival |

Panther Pond Notes

- Successful Projects in Progress
- Workshop- Thursday, July 7th, 9-12pm
- Annual Meeting – Tuesday, August 2nd, 7-9pm
- Boat Tour & Picnic- Saturday, August 6th, 3-5pm
- PPA Membership Appeal

Panther Pond Conservation Project

Over the next two summers, Panther Pond residents have the opportunity to participate in this grant to reduce erosion problems. Financial assistance and FREE technical assistance is available. Work on the grant has begun under the guidance of Noralee Raymond, the Executive Director of the Raymond Waterways Protective Association (RWPA). If you have an erosion problem and would like assistance please contact Noralee at lakes@raymondmaine.org or 671-3329.

The details of the work to be undertaken are described in the Panther Pond Conservation Project brochure that was recently mailed to Panther Pond Watershed residents. If you have not yet received a brochure, you can pick one up at the Raymond Town Office or Raymond Village Library, or contact us and we can mail one to you.

Successful Projects in Progress

Al and Flonnie Morrison of Panther South Shores Colony were the first landowners to participate in the Matching Grants for Native Plants (up to \$100). Over Father’s Day weekend the Morrisons and their children planted 30 low bush blueberries along the top of the steep bank of their shoreline to reduce erosion on the bank. The Morrisons do not rake away leaves and needles to reduce exposed bare soil. They are also planning to install a dripline infiltration trench along their cabin to reduce runoff from their roof. There are 19 more matching grants to be completed in the next two years. Please contact us for more details if you are interested.

Camp Hawthorne was the first of 22 remediation projects to begin. Camp counselors participated in the installation of two rubber blades to divert water off the camp road. Rubber blades are constructed of rubber conveyor belt sandwiched between 2”x6” lumber. Counselors will also be spreading erosion control mulch on several camp pathways and areas of exposed soil. In August Camp Hawthorne plans to complete the project with the installation of infiltration steps along an eroding high traffic bank and an infiltration trench filled with crushed stone along the edge of the parking area.



Counselors at Camp Hawthorne build rubber blade diverters.

Workshop - Learn Methods to Control Erosion on Pathways - July 7th

Visit the Maple Ave Right of Way on Thursday, July 7th from 9am- noon and take an active part in conservation by joining us for this workshop and fixing an eroding path. Methods include: creating turnouts to divert water, installing waterbars with areas for infiltrating water, and

covering the eroding path with crushed stone. Contact us to sign up!

Invitation: PPA Annual Meeting – August 2nd

You are cordially invited to the PPA Annual Meeting at the Raymond Public Safety Building at Main Street and Rt. 302 on Tuesday, August 2nd from 7-9pm. Please note that this corrects the “day” error in the PPA letter recently sent to PPA members and other Panther Pond landowners.

Do come join us to discuss the Conservation Project and learn how you can help protect the watershed from erosion and from the increasing threat of milfoil.

Help us identify activities that will bring us together as a

lake community taking actions to protect this valuable natural wonder we call Panther Pond.

Boat Tour and Picnic – August 6th

Join us for a pontoon boat tour of the pond on August 6th from 3-5pm. The tour will take us to the various sites that have been improved under the grant, with explanations from project staff.

Following the tour, PPA will host a neighbor picnic at Leigh and Brian Walker’s home. We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, lemonade and soft drinks; we will rely on those attending to bring a pot luck salad or dessert and other beverages desired. If you can’t make the tour, still join us for the picnic and meet new Panther Ponders.

PPA Membership – Please Renew or Become a Member

This is also the time of year that we ask for you to support the Association’s efforts. Annual dues are just \$20 (though some generous souls give more – thank you!).

I hope you will agree that you get a real ‘bang for your buck’ with your membership. We are committed to preserving the lake quality environment of Panther Pond. With your support, we will keep Panther Pond a great lake to enjoy for generations to come.

Please return to the Panther Pond Association, P.O. Box 68, Raymond, ME 04071

- ☐ I plan on attending the Conservation Workshop on July 7th.
- ☐ I plan on attending the Pontoon Lake Tour of the Grant Improvement sites on August 6th. Please send me the details of where to meet.
- ☐ I plan on attending the neighbor picnic on August 6th. Please send me the details and directions.
- ☐ I would like to become/renew my Panther Pond Association membership. Please find enclosed \$_____. (Membership starts at \$20)

For further information on the above events or the grant project, you can contact Noralee Raymond at 671-3329 or lakes@raymondmaine.org or contact PPA at ppa@raymondmaine.org.



Thirty blueberry bushes planted by Al and Flonnie Morrison.

R.I.S.E. DONATION FORM

Please fill out the information below so you will not be solicited again.

Name:_____Telephone #:_____

Address:_____Cell #:_____

Email:_____

We hope to publish the names of all donors in the *Road Runner*. If you wish to remain anonymous, please check box below. Thank you.

- ☐ I wish to remain anonymous.

Please make out all checks to: R.I.S.E. and drop off or mail to:

Evergreen Credit Union
785 Roosevelt Trail
Windham, Maine 04062

Towns and Citizens Cooperate to Improve Public Safety on Sebago Lake

By: John Manoush, Sebago Water Safety Watch

Thanks to the efforts of town managers, public safety officials and a group of concerned citizens, we are pleased to say that the waters between Raymond Cape and Frye Island will no longer be quite as much like “The Wild West”. If you live near or boat in this area this summer, you may now expect to see a patrol boat bearing a blue light bar and lettered, “Raymond / Frye Island Public Safety”.

Those who value safe and considerate boating have long been concerned and frustrated by the extremely limited enforcement of boating regulations. A group of citizens calling itself the “[Sebago Water Safety Watch](#)” (SWSW) began meeting nearly two years ago to explore ways of improving this situation. Meetings were held with the Warden Service, County Sheriffs, town managers and public safety officers from Raymond and Frye Island to explore the options available. Although the Warden Service (which has the ultimate responsibility for enforcement of boating regulations on our inland waters) has been responsive to our questions and concerns, they have also made it pretty clear that increased enforcement is not likely to come from them in the foreseeable future.

They patrol a vast area with a limited staff and budget, and enforcement of gaming regulations remains their top priority.

The best opportunity for improvement appeared to be through the towns. Raymond already had an inflatable boat that was available for water rescue operations, which had obvious limitations. In early 2004 the town seized an opportunity to acquire a 19 foot fiberglass center console Proline boat, 115 hp outboard motor and galvanized trailer from Maine state surplus for only \$3,000 (less than a tenth of its replacement value). Sabre Yachts was kind enough to donate the time and materials to cosmetically refurbish the boat, but it saw only limited use in 2004. There was a need to develop safe operating procedures and to hammer out a written agreement on who would operate the boat, what authority they would have, and other matters such as legal liability and insurance. Between the fall of ’04 and spring of ’05, Raymond town manager Don Willard and fire chief Denis Morse spearheaded the work on these issues with Frye Island’s town manager Wayne Fournier and police chief Dana Wessling. We are pleased to report that the towns have recently approved an agreement that appears to be a win-win for both communities.

Since Raymond has been having difficulty keeping the Public Safety Department fully staffed, it could not supply and train the people needed for boat patrols. Frye Island was willing to volunteer the time of its two police officers to patrol these waters, but it had no patrol boat. The agreement, which runs from June of 2005 through June of 2007, basically sets forth the responsibilities of both towns. Frye Island will make a minimum of 20 hours of policing time per week available for patrolling Raymond waters. Water patrols will concentrate on times of peak usage on summer weekends and holidays.

As experience is gained, the towns may include citizen volunteers in these patrols and widen the area of emphasis to include other issues of concern such as excessive noise. At this point, however, these matters are taking a back seat to human safety.

There are a few matters that we would like to emphasize about this new patrol:

- Expectations should be kept realistic. This is still in its beginning stages, and the public safety patrol boat will not be present at all times. Not every violator will be caught.
- Although everyone has his own pet peeve, ranging from fast operation too near the shore to noisy boats or personal watercraft, we should all understand that the towns are placing the emphasis on [public safety](#). The ultimate goal of these patrols is to reduce the likelihood of an accident leading to injury or loss of life. If an accident should occur, the patrols provide a greatly increased chance of rapid response and rescue than in the past.
- Priorities for this summer will include observing for illegal activities, including reckless boating (especially around the ferry landing), lack of life preservers (must be worn at all times by children of 10 and under), bonfires on the shores and jumping from Frye’s Leap.
- The patrol has authority for Raymond and Frye Island waters only – not all of Sebago Lake.
- If you wish to report an emergency or a crime anywhere on Sebago Lake, dial 911. The dispatcher will report the incident to the Warden Service or Police as appropriate to the area and the situation.
- For issues relating only to this local patrol, call Raymond Dispatch at 655-7851.

Would you like to help?

Some of the costs of repairs to the patrol boat in 2005 were paid for by private donations. More donations will definitely be needed to continue these efforts and to better equip the boat (for example, it presently has no GPS navigation or decibel meter for sound measurement). Raymond has set up a special account for “Water Safety” to which tax-deductible donations may be sent. If you would like to contribute to this effort and have not already done so, please send your donation to: Town of Raymond, Sebago Water Safety Watch, 401 Webbs Mill Road, Raymond, ME 04071. To help meet our goals, we suggest a donation of \$50 or more, but any amount will be gratefully accepted.

If you would like to be on the SWSW mailing list and be notified of future meetings and activities, please contact John Manoush at 655-7660 or jmanoush@pivot.net

Raymond Lions Club Awards Scholarships

The Raymond Lions, through the generosity of residents and visitors to the area in donating redeemable bottles and cans, was able to award two \$1,000 scholarships to Raymond students this year. These are in addition to the money donated to the Town to help fund its scholarships.

Applications were mailed to all graduating high school seniors and were also available at the Town Office and the Library and on the Town’s website. The committee reviewed all the applications received and selected Chelsea Frye and Katrina Draper as this year’s recipients. Each was presented with a certificate at the Lions meeting in early June. They will receive the scholarship upon successful completion of their 1st semester.

Raymond’s Fairpoint NE 5K And 1K Road Race

By: Louise Lester

Early on Saturday morning, June 11th, 34 runners met to challenge the Fairpoint NE 5K Road Race through Raymond Village. Following the 5K race, 9 kids ran the 1K Road Race on Mill Street. The races were for the benefit of Raymond Rec Association.

These races were sponsored by Fairpoint NE which has volunteered manpower and funding for a number of years. Hannaford Bros Store, Sunset Variety, Poland Spring Water, Raymond Fire/Rescue, and Raymond Public Works also donated time and supplies to the race. Our thanks go to them all.

Results:

POSITION	TIME	#	AGE	M/F	LAST	FIRST	TOWN
1K Kids Race							
1	04:30.4	74	9	m	Blair	Robbie	Raymond, Me
2	04:43.6	75	10	m	Haskell	Jack	Raymond, Me
3	04:59.2	100	12	f	Sepulveda	Elisabeth	Raymond, Me
4	04:59.8	98	7	f	Algeo	Emily	Raymond, Me
5	05:00.4	97	9	f	Sepulveda	Maria	Raymond, Me
6	05:16.3	96	7	m	Sepulveda	David	Raymond, Me
7	08:00.9	99	4	m	Sepulveda	Stephen	Raymond, Me
5K Race							
1	18:21.2	43	19	m	Gatchell	Chris	Waterford, Me
2	18:25.4	51	18	m	Seltzer	Daniel	Poland, Me
3	18:27.6	42	48	m	Lavery	Floyd	Gorham, Me
4	18:46.7	54	45	m	Trundy	Michael	Hebron, Me
5	19:16.9	50	17	m	Rezny	Jamie	Poland, Me
6	20:21.0	47	18	m	Kelly	Mark	Raymond, Me
7	20:45.3	60	46	m	Peterson	Tom	Honolulu, HI
8	20:52.4	48	19	m	Shorek	Scott	Poland, Me
9	20:55.1	55	15	m	Trundy	Ian	Hebron, Me
10	21:10.9	49	17	m	Morrissey	Ryan	Poland, Me
11	21:54.7	44	43	f	Algeo	Elizabeth	Raymond, Me
12	23:05.2	62	35	m	Foss	Don	Raymond, Me
13	23:09.5	52	17	m	Zeldich	Max	Poland, Me
14	23:23.3	61	44	m	Marcinuk	Peter	Raymond, Me
15	24:41.1	53	49	m	Carroll	Mike	Lewiston, Me
16	24:45.5	68	45	m	Sepulveda	Felix	Raymond, Me
17	25:18.9	45	49	f	Daley	Diane	Casco, Me
18	25:38.3	46	39	m	Kelley	Dennis	Casco, Me
19	25:59.4	67	70	m	Howe	John	Waterford, Me
20	26:01.1	73	45	m	Doney	Brett	Oxford, Me
21	26:51.8	56	57	m	Wendler	Wolfgang	Yarmouth, Me
22	27:48.8	58	53	m	Assante	Stephen	Standish, Me
23	28:01.8	64	46	m	Rand	John	Raymond, Me
24	28:10.7	71	69	m	Rand	Chase	Raymond, Me
25	28:10.9	66	69	m	Day	Dick	Raymond, Me
26	28:12.9	65	63	m	Fongemie	Claude	Raymond, Me
27	29:15.3	70	13	m	Sepulveda	Peter	Raymond, Me
28	29:36.7	57	53	f	Rearick	Peg	Hebron, Me
29	29:53.2	95	11	m	Brockelbank	Sam	Raymond, Me
30	29:58.3	59	41	m	Brockelbank	Doug	Raymond, Me
31	30:14.4	69	11	m	Sepulveda	Daniel	Raymond, Me
32	30:35.7	63	57	f	Medenbach	Karin	Raymond, Me
33	33:42.7	41	26	m	Kubetz	Joseph	Raymond, Me
34	37:03.7	72	59	m	Dickson	Peter	Freeport, Me

The Raymond Village Library Presents

An Evening of Laughter

Saturday, July 23, 2005

Jordan Small Middle School Gym
Doors open at 7pm

Refreshments and raffles will be available until show begins at 8 pm

Tickets available at: Raymond Village Library, The Good Life Market,
K&K Video and Aubuchon Hardware

Raymond Village Library
* Presents *

Harry Potter Night

Bring the whole family for a mystical evening!
Costumes not a must but a plus!!!

Meet Professor Dumbledore
Enjoy a Magic Show
Make Crafts * Play Games * Win Prizes

Sunday, July 10th
At the: Center Stage For the Arts
51A Main Street In Raymond Village
6:30 to 8:00
For more information call 655-4283

Comedian George Hamm and Friends including Karen Morgan and Chris Mac

GEORGE HAMM, Maine's fastest rising comedian, comes to the stage with his sarcastic look on life and all it has to offer

KAREN MORGAN, from Cumberland, Maine, was a finalist in the Nick at Night's Search For America's Funniest Mom

Come see what they will do next!

General Admission Tickets \$15 per person
call 655-4283
for more information

*Front Tables for Six are available for \$150 per table on a first come, first served basis

Raymond Village Library Survivor Night

Raymond Village Library hosted the 2nd Annual Survivor Night June 3, 2005. The participants, all 4th and 5th graders from Raymond, were assigned to teams to work with one another to find clues, solve problems, and use library skills while having great fun. This is a bridge program to help make 4th graders transitioning to the middle school in the fall more comfortable with the upcoming change. There was a lot of reacquainting with one another during the program, creating more fun, laughter, and reassurance that middle school will be a positive change.

Once again, Raymond Village Library would like to thank Lisa Friedlander for all of her time, hard work, and enthusiasm she donated so generously to this great program. Also, thanks to Raymond Mentoring Program for supplying the food for all the hungry survivors, and to all the parents who helped keep the survivors on task!



Lions Club Enjoys A Successful Golf Tournament

The Raymond Lions Club held its 10th annual golf scramble on a cloudy, somewhat wet June 18th. Golfer participation was down due to an extended youth baseball season caused

by the wet spring, but the financial results were excellent. The club had great support from local businesses and individuals who sponsored holes. The barbecuing group



The winning team (missing 1 member) from Community Pharmacy receiving the permanent trophy from club president Yvette Ward. Those on the team were Ed Piiraninen, Joe Bruno, Dana Rydberg and Joe Pietroski.

at Kokatosi Campground and the Fairlawn Country Club on Empire Road in Poland both were wonderful in accommodating a smaller turnout than originally anticipated. Of course we could not have this fund-raising event without the golfers whom we always appreciate.

Although no one had a hole in one on the 13th hole, which would have won them a 2005 Chevy Malibu donated by Sebago Lake Garage, there were several prizes plus door prizes given out.

Summer Reading Program At The Raymond Village Library

Avast, maties ~ it's time to set sail for a summer of fun and adventure!

Hey, all you land lubbers! We're looking for readers to sign up for some treasure hunting adventures. The Library's summer reading program sets sail the week of July 10th and continues with high seas fun till our ship docks at our final buccaneer party on August 22nd! Become a swashbuckling pirate and make your own navigation tools ~ Learn about the dangers and excitement of life at sea ~ Follow a treasure map and search for hidden booty ~ Create your own pirate ship and pirate game. Join us this summer as we discover the treasures of books!

"Treasure Your Library"

Joining is easy! Send in the attached enrollment form, and during the week of July 10th through July 16th, stop by

the library for your start up package. Each week, when you bring back the books you've read and put your coins in the treasure chest, there will be activities or projects available for you to pick up and complete at home. You can stop by the library at your convenience anytime during the week to participate.

Call Lisa at 655-5076, or stop by the library with

questions or for more information. There will be a limit of 75 readers in the program, so don't wait until the last minute to sign up!

Return this enrollment form to the Raymond Village Library.

I would like to participate in the Summer Reading Program!

READER'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

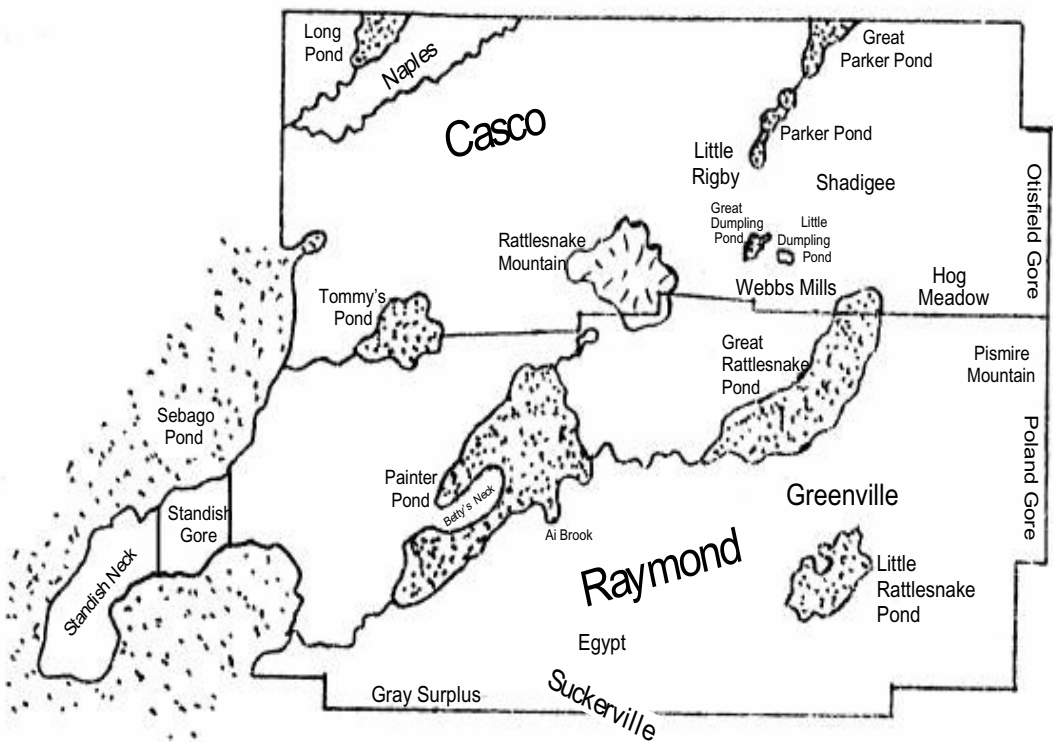
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PLACE NAMES CASCO - RAYMOND

By Ernest H. Knight.

Historian Ernest Knight wrote a series of articles for the RAYMOND-CASCO HISTORICAL SOCIETY which were published in book form. The following article is copied from that book – “Historical Gems of Raymond and Casco, published by the Society in 1996. “Gems” is available for purchase at the Raymond Library.



The crunch may be here. For some time it has been apparent that suitable newsletter historical subjects are approaching the bottom of the barrel. It is Casco's turn this month and as that draws a mental "black hole" one solution is to dwell on something applying to both towns. Which will be the subject of place or area names that have ceased to be of general usage. There are surely a lot more than will be mentioned here, so if you are aware of more pass them along so that they may not be forgotten for coming generations.

Sometimes these names are lost because there are too few people left using them to keep them active such as Little Rigby, Shadigee and Hog Meadow in Casco and Greenville, Lower Village and Hamlin Hill in Raymond. Surrounding Raymond and Casco in adjacent towns there was Land of Nod in Windham, Suckerville in Gray, Promised Land in Poland, Dunkertown in Otisfield and Jugtown in Naples.

Then there were changes for esthetic reasons, catering to the sensibilities of the summer visitor who came with the steamboat and automobile to develop the shores of our many fine bodies of water previously only considered usable to water livestock or float logs to a mill. Great Rattlesnake Pond became a more prosaic Crescent Lake, Little Rattlesnake Pond degenerated into a bland and unimaginative Raymond Pond, Tommy's Pond was straightened out into a more dignified Thomas Pond, Great Dumping Pond was divorced from its neighboring Little Dumping by a change to Coffee Pond and a similar "dump the kid sister" attitude perhaps prompted Great Parker Pond to become Pleasant Lake. And when the local vernacular for the mountain lion that prowled our forests became panther, Painter Pond gave way to Panther Pond. And of course the designation of pond was too common a term for

the lordly Sebago, once SABAGO to the Indians, which perhaps caused Long Pond to upgrade to Long Lake so that its water would mix better with the pure water into which it flowed.

Then there were the waste or unclaimed lands ignored when Raymowntown was first selected and laid out, the "gores", which were settled on and eventually had to be adopted by some town so that their inhabitants could attend school, go to Town Meeting and pay taxes. (Perhaps they should have remained independent gores.) Between Gray and Raymond was the "Gray surplus" that came into Raymond, the Poland Gore that also came to Raymond as well as the Standish Gore and the "Pitch of the Cape" that once was a part of Standish. The Otisfield Gore came into Casco as well as the Songo Gore. These acquisitions offset the shrinking of the original Raymowntown, once the largest township, by the loss of a piece to help in the formation of Naples and the separation of Casco.

But there are still a few places that have remained pure and unchanged in our moves into a less interesting future. Rattlesnake Mountain remains in its pristine form, though without its once prolific reptile, except for the million or more cubic yards of its top rolled down the sides by Edgar Welch so that the sun would shine longer in the afternoon on the farm where he worked. And Pismire Mountain is left to the enjoyment of its own ornery insect inhabitants, though if it is ever turned to development it will probably be renamed to "Sunset Vista" or "Beauty Rest Ridge" to attract the gullible. And Nubble Pond is of interest only to the biologists as its waters are considered dead.

Hawthorne Community Association

Raymond Cape Road
South Casco, Maine 04077

Annual Strawberry Festival

Saturday, July 2, 2005
At the Hawthorne House

7:30-9pm (please note new time)
\$5 per adult, \$3 per child

We hope you will be able to attend the first Hawthorne event of the summer on July 2nd. Norm has promised us his famous shortcake biscuits, and we know the strawberries and whipped cream will be in abundance. Hopefully, we can welcome many summer visitors as well as our loyal year round residents.

Come and bring the family. Reservations should be made before June 20th by calling Frank or Florence Chambers at 655-8833 or by e-mail at frank@fchambers.com.

And don't forget to mark the date of Sunday, August 21st, on your calendar for the Chicken Barbecue at Little Wohelo. The Van Winkles are kind enough to host this event, and they have promised good weather!

We look forward to seeing you all at the Strawberry Festival.

Directors Wanted For Local Theater

Windham Center Stage Theater (WCST) is currently seeking proposals for shows and directors for their upcoming season, and specifically adults interested in directing their annual Children's Production in the winter of 2005.

WCST originated in 1974 for the purpose of exposing children to dramatic arts and bringing the theater to the community. It has played a role in gathering kids and families together to perform children's productions for over 30 years. WCST is the only Community Theater with a policy that every child who auditions receives a part.

We are offering this unique opportunity to any qualified person who would enjoy the challenges and joys of working with children ages 8- 14 in our children's production or an adult/mixed cast in our annual musical production. Please contact Mary Wassick at 892-6122 to send a resume and for more information.

Christ Chapel Starts Up Its Community Dinners

Christ Chapel, now located on Northern Pines Road off Rte 85, is starting its free monthly community dinners in July. The first one will be held at the ministry center on Northern Pines Road from 4:30 to 6pm on Friday, July 1st.

The dinners are open to everyone in the Lakes Region. Come and enjoy talking with old friends, making new ones and enjoying great home-cooked food.

For questions and/or directions please call 655-5058.

Christ Chapel Holding Yard Sale

Christ Chapel of Raymond is holding a huge yard sale on Saturday, July 30th (rain date August 6th), at Watkins Barn on Rte 302 in Casco starting at 8am.

Items being sold will include but are not limited to: collectibles, baby clothes, toys, glassware, dishes, games, furniture, tools, sports equipment and electronics. This is a sale not to be missed.

FMI please call Mimi Gray @ 650-9964 or Carol Hall @ 627-4797

The Best Investment

By: Mary Jane Vandersluis & Cathy Dodge

In times of economic uncertainty, the wisdom of buying property remains unchallenged. Ask the 64 million Americans who currently own homes why they made the decision to stop renting. They will describe the numerous financial advantages and the personal satisfaction of investing in real estate.

Owning your home means that your monthly payment contributes to your own net worth instead of your landlord's, as the equity in your property builds up over time. Real estate values continue to grow, and during the last decade most homeowners have reported dramatic gains. Low mortgage interest rates have enabled more Americans than ever before to realize their dream of home ownership and save on income tax. New tax law benefits have allowed many to sell a principle residence and bank tax-free profits of up to \$250,000 per individual or \$500,000 per couple. Real estate is still the best investment!



The Raymond Mentoring Partnership held its year-end outing at the Maine Wildlife Park. Kerrie, a high school mentor, and her mentee Jasmine are pictured here. About 80 family members and mentoring friends attended an evening barbecue at the Fairpoint Day Resort on Notched Pond in celebration of the program's fourth year.

Membership Form
Raymond-Casco Historical Society
P.O. Box 1055, Raymond, ME 04071
Email rchs@raymondmaine.org

Type of Membership

() Family-\$15.00 () Corporate or Patron Level - \$25.00 or more

() individual - \$10.00 () Student - \$2.00 () Gift: _____

() Contribution to Endowment Fund: _____

Please make check payable to the ***R-C Historical Society***.

After your Initial membership; dues are paid yearly in January.

Please print your name and mailing address, or use a label.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Thank you for your support of the *Raymond-Casco Historical Society*

The Raymond-Casco Historical Society (RCHS) was formed in 1971. The society’s main focus is the history of Raymond, established in 1803, and Casco, which separated from the town of Raymond in 1841.

During its first year of existence, the RCHS became the recipient of a historic schoolhouse. It was donated by siblings Hacker Hall & Leona Hall Edwards. The 1849 Friends Schoolhouse (AKA the Quaker Ridge Schoolhouse) was moved from Quaker Ridge to Casco Village on November 22, 1971.

An official charter was granted to the society in 1973. Members whose names appeared on the charter document were Lawrence A. Taylor, Leona H. Edwards, Doris F. Moore, Mildredge M. Whiteley, Hope E. Hatch, Ernest H. Knight and Louise E. Knight.

In 1996, the Friends Schoolhouse was entered on the National Register of Historic Places. The RCHS also published a book in 1996, entitled *Historical Gems of Raymond and Casco*. It was written by Ernest Knight and is a compilation of newsletter articles from 1971-1991.

The Raymond-Casco Historical Society can be reached via email at rchs@raymondmaine.org

Buying Local Protects Our Families And Our Future

What does: the economy, flavor, freshness, your health, and environmental preservation all have in common? One popular answer to this question that you are likely to hear today is: Food! Many individuals, students, healthcare providers, business owners, and other groups are talking about all the ways buying locally produced food can create stronger communities and greatly improve our quality of life.

Russell Libby of MOFGA has calculated, “If every Maine family spent \$10 per week on Maine-produced food, purchased directly from the farmer, we’d keep an additional \$100 million circulating in the Maine economy.” That is money re-invested in Maine’s agricultural infrastructure and its workers, eventually making its way to other businesses – maybe even the one where you work. That is money that will help to pay taxes, contributing to the quality of our schools and other state and community services. One could reason that the more we spend on Maine products, the more all who work, live and value their time here in this beautiful state have to gain in the long run.

Did you know: the longer food travels (the more time that passes between when food is harvested and when it lands on your dinner table) the less nutritious it is? By some accounts, the average bite of food travels an estimated 1500 miles before being consumed, often sitting in warehouses or on trucks for periods of time along the way. Does this also mean that locally produced food tastes better? According to many of Maine’s leading chefs and their restaurant patrons, the answer is “Absolutely!” Students from the Gorham public school system would also agree. Last September, for the second year in a row, their district’s Nutrition Program Director arranged to serve all Maine produced food for their annual Maine Harvest Lunch – in fact, the average bite traveled only 275 miles that day. The result? A 30% increase in the number of school lunches sold and many happy taste buds!

Purchasing local food also helps to cut down on pollution from shipping extensive distances. The Worldwatch Institute calculates that a typical meal with ingredients purchased from a supermarket chain uses 4 to 17 times more petroleum during transport than the same ingredients acquired from local sources!

So how easy is it to buy from local producers? With 64 Farmer’s Markets operating across the state during the spring, summer and early fall, buying locally produced food is very accessible for most consumers. You can request a Farmers Market directory from the Maine Department of Agriculture, or visit their website at www.getrealgetmaine.com to learn about the one nearest you.

Many families and individuals are enjoying the benefits of participating in CSA’s (Community Supported Agriculture), where they invest in an ongoing relationship with a local farmer and regularly receive delicious, in-season, locally produced food. In addition to the state’s website listed above, www.mainefoods.net is another easy to use website that will help you locate farms in your area that have CSA’s and operate farm stands, and even allow you to search for specific products. You can also visit www.mofga.org, the website for the Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association, a great resource for information about the benefits of buying locally.

Article contributed by Amanda Beal, Youth & Community Program Coordinator for Communities Promoting Health at PROP, a Healthy Maine Partnership.

Community Service Volunteer

Sarah Harvey, a Cheverus High School community service volunteer, came to help in Mrs. Tounge’s and Mrs. Malnati’s third grade classrooms at the Raymond Elementary School as part of Cheverus’s May Project. Miss Harvey assisted in many aspects of classroom work, but her major accomplishment was helping to make book covers for picture books written and illustrated by the third graders. Sarah’s added decorative touches made the children’s books more memorable and collectible!

New Local Business Opens

Melissa Perkins of 69 Gore Road, Raymond, is pleased to offer you her home interior and artistic services through her new business, Room For Improvement. The purpose of this business is to help homeowners make decorating transformations that are not only attainable, but also affordable.

Melissa graduated from the University of Southern Maine with a degree in Art Education. She has been a high school art teacher in Auburn since 1991 and has lived in Raymond since 1993. She has 10 years of decorating and designing experience, which she obtained by making her start in



her own home and the homes of family and friends. Her educational work schedule left summers and holiday vacations free for her to learn and strengthen her inventive ways of transforming a room.

In addition to making complete transformations, Room For Improvement offers furniture and accessory rearranging, faux finishing, and muraling. Melissa also creates her own personal artwork, which she has shown and sold in numerous local galleries.

Please feel free to check out more at www.rmforimprovement.com or call 207-655-7625 for further inquiries.

New Summer Hours For Christ Chapel

From June 5th to September 4th, Christ Chapel, 37 Northern Pines Road in Raymond, will be changing the time of their Sunday morning service to 9am. The service time will return to 10am September 11th. Please call for more information 655-5058.

AHOY, MATES!

One sweltering weekend in June, all 8 members of Junior Girl Scout Troop 1177 travelled to Fall River, Massachusetts, to spend the night on the WWII era battleship USS Massachusetts. The girls used their earnings from cookie and magazine sales to pay for the trip. They were also greatly assisted by Hebron Academy, who loaned them the bus to get there! Troop 1177 spent the weekend exploring the largest collection of warships in the world. This collection includes a submarine, cruiser, and German patrol boat. Battleship Cove hosts several “Nautical Nights” in which scout troops spend the evening in the berthing areas that the actual crew stayed in sixty years ago. Due to the incredible heat and humidity during their visit, Troop 1177 opted to sleep on the deck under the stars (and big guns) of “Big Mamie.” For more info, go to www.battleshipcove.com. The girls wish to thank their chaperones, Candy Tardiff, Marianne Van Baars, Kevin Carter, and Michael Hughes.

The Following Students Graduated From Hebron Academy In May 2005.

Lura Elaine DeSorbo of Raymond plans to attend the University of Maine at Farmington. Lura received the Regis A. Lepage Scholarship Prize, which is given by LePage Bakeries of Auburn in honor of Regis A. Lepage, a generous supporter of post-secondary study for young people, in the belief that strength comes through education. The prize is awarded each year to a student at Hebron Academy from the surrounding area.

Katrina Claire Draper of Raymond graduated Cum Laude and plans to attend the University of King’s College in Nova Scotia. Katrina received the Hebron Academy faculty’s Award for Academic Excellence in Art this year. She also received the Bernat Memorial Award, a book given by the parents of Emile Robert Bernat of the Class of 1960 that is awarded annually to a Senior for further studies in the humanities.

Heather Jean Dyer of Raymond plans to attend the New England Culinary Institute in Vermont.

Timothy James Woodbrey of Raymond plans to attend the School of the Art Institute of Chicago. Timothy was recognized by the Hebron Academy Parents’ Association for his ceramic work. Each year the Parents’ Association purchases a selected student’s artwork during Hebron’s Upper School Art Show.

Jordan-Small Middle School Class Learns About Legislature From Senator Diamond Through Video Conference

Students from John Powers’s seventh grade class at the Jordan-Small Middle School may have achieved a first in Maine civics. The students learned about the day of the life of State Senator Bill Diamond and State Representative John Robinson through a live video conference from Augusta.

The Jordan-Small students were connected to a portable video conferencing unit on loan to their school, which was connected to the Internet. Back in Augusta, Sen. Diamond and Rep. Robinson sat in a special video conferencing room in the Cross Office Building next to the State House. A video conferencing bridge was set up ahead of time by the Department of Education that enabled both sites to connect to each other using Internet protocols.

Sen. Diamond and Rep. Robinson began their video conference lecture at 8am. The students became quite interested in the discussion when the legislators started



The girls of Junior Girl Scout Troop 1177 pause amidst the ships of Battleship Cove in Fall River, Massachusetts. The girls recieved the Iraqi flag from a soldier that they had sent a care package to. The flag and other artifacts sent by Major Wels of Waterford will be on display at the Raymond Library through July and August. The girls will then donate the items to the Maine Military Museum at Camp Keyes, Augusta.

Principal’s Report

By: Norma Richard

Volunteers are an important part of our school program, and we had the opportunity to thank the many parents and community members who shared their time, energy, and talents with our students at the annual Volunteer Breakfast on June 17. Over 130 volunteers worked this year at the Raymond Elementary School. Their contributions have been outstanding, with over one thousand hours donated to support our elementary program. On behalf of our students and faculty I want to thank all of this year’s volunteers. I would like to extend a special “Thank You” to Lisa Friedlander for coordinating the volunteer program, and for her hard work in bringing new and exciting resources to the school. I also want to encourage other Raymond residents to join our Volunteer Program by calling either school office (RES 655-8672 or JSMS 655-4743).

This summer I will start my transition to the K- 8 principal position in the Raymond School District. I am very excited about the many opportunities to work with staff, students and parents K-8. Looking at our work from this K-8 lens gives me the advantage of considering all of the school resources, from staffing to facilities, as we work collaboratively to meet the academic needs of all Raymond

students. We are in the process of hiring a dynamic assistant principal who will assist with this work. I am planning on maintaining my office at RES, though I will be working with students and staff in both buildings. The assistant principal’s office will be at the middle school to provide some consistency for those students. If you have a question and need to reach me, please call the elementary school office at 655-8672 and leave a message at extension 400.

During summer vacation, the RES school office will be open each Wednesday from 8am - 3pm. Wendy Thoren, our school receptionist, and I will be available on Wednesdays to register new students and give them a tour of the school. I plan to be in the Jordan-Small School office, 655-4743, on Tuesdays to register new students and to organize for the start of school. It is best to call in advance if you would like to meet with me, as my summer schedule will find me working with staff at both of the schools.

I want to encourage all of our students to spend time each and every day reading this summer. The research is clear – those students who have developed the wonderful habit of reading are higher achievers. We are so fortunate to have the Raymond Village Library open each Sunday, Monday and Wednesday from 10am – 7pm. What a great routine for your family to stop at the library on the way to or from the beach!

talking about several bills that were before the Legislature, including one that would prohibit teenagers from applying for a driver’s license if they dropped out of school.

“My students were overwhelmingly amazed with the video conference with Senator Diamond and Representative Robinson. It was a fabulous experience that created a buzz within the 7th grade,” said John Powers from the Jordan-Small Middle School.

Senator Diamond added, “Any chance that we get to turn students on to government is great. As a former school teacher, I really enjoyed this opportunity, and I hope to be able to use this medium again to talk to more students and constituents when I am not able to be back in the district.”

More information about the state’s video conferencing program can be found online at: www.mainedistancelearningproject.org.

Pictures from the Jordan-Small Middle School’s video conferencing can be found online at: <http://www.mainesenate.org/diamond/visitors.htm>

ALERT – Earn 50¢ For Our Schools

Starting July 1, 2005, the Box Tops Booster Club is being revised. The first 1,000,000 people to sign up for the new Box Tops Booster Club at www.boxtops4education.com between July 1, 2005, and February 28, 2006, will earn 5 Bonus Box Tops for their designated school. That’s 50¢ for every new Booster Club member. It simply involves getting periodic emails regarding Box Tops promotions and products. Just think, 10¢ a Box Top added up to \$1,546 this year – if we can each earn an additional 50¢, that could really add up. So please sign up today!

Also, please remember to continue collecting those Box Tops. We will be doing a celebration to reward collecting after summer vacation, and of course there will be more contests to come next year. Our goal for next year is to top \$2,000, which will be used to support various enrichment programs for our students.

Thanks again for your support! More information on the Box Tops program is available at www.boxtops4education.com, or you can contact Christina.

Raymond Lions Scholarship Program

The Raymond Lions started a scholarship program in 2003, using the proceeds from its bottle collection centers at the Town Office and at Jordan Bay Animal Hospital. The first year we awarded one scholarship of \$500. Last year we were able to award three \$650 scholarships. This year we are able to present two \$1000 scholarships.

The club was delighted this year when 12 applications for its scholarship were received. After much consideration, the scholarship committee has awarded the scholarships to two very deserving students.

Katrina Draper who is currently attending Hebron Academy will be attending the University of King’s College in Halifax Nova Scotia. She has been active in sports, drama and art as well as maintaining an A/B average. She has worked locally during the summer months. She plans on going to medical school and fulfilling a long time dream of practicing medicine in Ecuador, bringing health care to impoverished areas.

Chelsea Frye, who is a senior at Gray-New Gloucester High School, will be attending Suffolk University in Boston, MA, majoring in Sociology with a minor in Spanish. She participated in sports and volunteer activities and was a member of the National Honor Society and a member of student council for three years. She maintained an A/B average while working after school.

The Raymond Lions congratulate these two exceptional students, who are examples of what our high school students are capable of achieving. We wish Katrina and Chelsea much success in continuing their education and in their careers.

NOTE: It should be known that the Lions use the funds from the bottle returns to fund its scholarships as well as donating a portion of those funds to the Town of Raymond for town scholarships. Several times in the past three years it has been noted that people have been seen stealing bottles from the two drop of centers. If you should see any of these culprits in the act of taking bottles, PLEASE make note of the license number and report it to the sheriff’s office at 693-3369 immediately.

Lifeguard Training Course

July 5 - 8 (Tues - Friday); July 11 - 15 (Mon - Friday)
5 PM - 9 PM each night

Sponsored by SAD 61 Adult Education
Course will take place in Bridgton
Cost: \$130

Prerequisite: Must be 15 years of age by July 15, 2005

For more information, contact
Joni Merrill (American Red Cross Instructor)
655-4743 x 141
joni.m@raymondmaine.org



This year’s recipient of Raymond Rescue’s Betts, Douglas, Hickey Scholarship. Left to right, committee members Linda Alexander, John McFarland, Randi Lynn Varney (recipient) and Janet Pullen.



Pictured from left to right are: Betty McDermott, Katrina Draper, Elaine Jones, Chelsea Frye and Gene Proctor.

It’s Not A Rumor! It’s Not A Lie! It’s True!

The “Lakes Region Letterbox Trail” is now open for the 2005 season! We invite you to explore the historic sites and natural beauty of the greater lakes region area by hunting for hidden “LETTERBOXES.” What are letterboxes? They’re boxes which are hidden all over Raymond, Casco, Naples and Sebago. Solve the clues for each box, and you will find inside a stamp particular to that site, an ink pad, artifacts relevant to that site, as well as a log book to record your visit. Pick up your trail guides and stamp books for this trail at Sunset Variety or The

Good Life. Trail guides are \$1; stamp books are \$4. If you have access to a computer, visit the website at www.letterboxing.org. Click on your state, click on Cumberland County, and look for the “Raymond” and “North Raymond” sites. Letterboxers from all over New England will be frequenting our boxes this year. Our season will run from June 25 to Columbus Day weekend in October. For more information, contact Deb Blanchard at d.blanchard@raymondmaine.org or 655-8672.. Don’t delay - just get out there!

Playground Committee Seeking Civil Engineer

Friends of the Playground is in the process of developing plans for long-term improvements to the playground at Sheri Gagnon Memorial Park, with particular emphasis on drainage issues at the playground and ball fields. Our

committee is actively seeking a civil engineer to advise us with the technical aspects of our planning. If you are interested in volunteering your time for this committee, please contact Candace Woolston at 655-4870.

Raymond Fire/Rescue

HOT SPOT

“KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE THROUGH EDUCATION”

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!!! We hope this finds all of you enjoying the summer. It has been a long wait to see the sun. (*DON’T FORGET THE SUNSCREEN.*) As we go into these next few months of summer, please remember a few things. You must get a burning permit from the Fire Department before you can do any outdoor burning of brush or debris. You also need to call the Fire Dispatch if you are going to be having a campfire or warming fire, as well as an outdoor cooking fire. Your continued support of and cooperation with these regulations will continue to help Raymond stay safe against woods and grass fires. A reminder to everyone that it is illegal to discard any ignition source from a vehicle. We have had a couple of mulch fires along Rte 302 from discarded cigarettes and other ignition sources. Also please keep in mind that all children under the age of 10 must be wearing a lifejacket when they are on any type of boat. We have observed children in paddle boats and canoes with no life jackets on.

With the summer comes the heat and humidity. Please keep the sunscreen on and reapply it often. Remember that the sun does not have to be out for you to get sunburned. Also, remember to drink plenty of clear fluids. (Water is the best)

We are looking for people who are interested in joining the Fire/Rescue Department. If you are interested, please stop by our Public Safety building and speak to one of our members. **Until next month...work safe, play safe, STAY SAFE!!!**

Send comments or suggestions to:
Raymond Fire/Rescue
1443 Roosevelt Trail
Raymond, ME 04071
ATTN: Joshua Stevens
Or e-mail me at josh.stevens@raymondmaine.org





Raymond Fire/Rescue Log

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	TYPE OF CALL
5/17/2005	926	MAILMAN RD	SUBJ.NOT BREATHING
5/18/2005	1609	GIFFORDS POINT	GEN. ILLNESS
5/20/2005	630	M/A GRAY	STATION COVERAGE
5/21/2005	1020	M/A WINDHAM	ABDOMINAL PAIN
5/22/2005	59	SPILLER RD	DIABETIC EMER.
5/22/2005	1626	WEBBS MILLS RD	ASSAULT VICTIM
5/23/2005	1107	PLAINS RD	CCSO AGENCY ASSIST
5/23/2005	1227	MAIN ST	BREATHING PROBLEM
5/23/2005	1417	WEBBS/GORE	VEHICLE CRASH
5/24/2005	854	MURCH LANDING	GARAGE FIRE
5/25/2005	2010	GORE RD	UNKN. ODOR
5/26/2005	809	ROOSEVELT TRL	VEHICLE CRASH
5/26/2005	1533	LEVY LANE	SMOKE ALARM
5/26/2005	2130	ROOSEVELT TRL	NOSE BLEED
5/27/2005	1524	TENNY HILL RD	HEAD INJURY
5/28/2005	258	M/A CASCO	ASTHMA ATTACK
5/28/2005	1305	FRYE ISLAND	POSS.FX. LEG
5/28/2005	1619	ROOSEVELT TRL	VEHICLE CRASH
5/28/2005	1729	MAIN ST/302	VEHICLE CRASH
5/28/2005	1856	ROOSEVELT TRL	NOSE BLEED
5/30/2005	19	ROOSEVELT TRL	NOSE BLEED
5/31/2005	639	TOWER RD	CARDIAC CALL
5/31/2005	649	ROOSEVELT TRL	SUBJ. UNCONSCIOUS
6/1/2005	539	OAKLEDGE RD	PUBLIC ASSIST
6/1/2005	1206	ROOSEVELT TRL	MEDICAL EMERGENCY
6/1/2005	1553	M/A WINDHAM	VEHICLE CRASH
6/2/2005	1153	GULICK RD	ALLERGIC REACTION
6/3/2005	2131	WEBBS MILLS RD	DRYER FIRE
6/5/2005	1127	PANTHER POND	GEN. ILLNESS
6/6/2005	1745	BALL DR.	CHECK SUBJ. FALLEN
6/8/2005	1751	PINE LANE	GEN.WEAKNESS
6/8/2005	2017	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARDIAC CALL
6/10/2005	1045	AUTO AID GRAY	ALARM SOUNDING
6/11/2005	1116	RAYMOND HILL RD	SUBJ. COLLAPSED
6/13/2005	2228	WEBBS MILLS RD	CARDIAC CALL
6/16/2005	803	MEADOW RD	SMOKE
6/16/2005	1053	AUTO AID GRAY	UNKN.WIRES DOWN
6/17/2005	814	NO. RAYMOND RD	SUBJ.INJURED IN FALL
6/17/2005	1107	M/A CASCO	FIRE ALARM
6/17/2005	1752	WEBBS MILLS RD	FIRE ALARM
6/18/2005	1317	MAIN ST/302	VEHICLE CRASH
6/18/2005	1645	CONESCA RD	PROPANE SMELL
6/19/2005	837	NO. RAYMOND RD	MEDICAL EMERGENCY
6/19/2005	925	ROOSEVELT TRL	VEHICLE CRASH/BIKE
6/19/2005	1906	ROOSEVELT TRL	LAC. TO FINGER
6/21/2005	1809	ROOSEVELT TRL	BARK MULCH FIRE

Raymond Beautification Committee's




Adopt a Garden

Adopting a garden means that you, or someone that you employ, will meet the following guidelines:

-  Weed regularly (about once a week)
-  Remove Trash (every couple of days)
-  Periodically remove dead plant material to keep area neat
-  Keep mulch looking fresh by turning a couple of times per season



If you choose, you may also plant and maintain other flowers that will complement the location. In which case, you will also do the following:

-  Water as needed
-  Deadhead (pick off dead flowers)
-  Dispose of annuals in the fall

CHECK ONE

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Yes, we will adopt the garden area(s) adjacent to our property. We would like our name to appear on the sign in the following way:

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No, we will not be able to adopt a garden this season; we leave the responsibility to community volunteers or to another party who might wish to adopt it.

Business contact signature _____ Date _____

Raymond Beautification Committee contact person: _____ Phone: _____

Thank You For Your Support!

The Raymond Beautification Committee would like to thank the following businesses and individuals who are participating in the “Adopt a Garden” program this year:

Libby Landscaping and Plants
Jordan Bay Marina
Aubuchon Hardware
Café Sebago
Gulf of Maine Gunsmithing
Key Bank
Raymond Gas & Pizza
Panther Run Marina
AC Docks & AC Builders
C.N. Brown
Portland Glass
Premiere Properties

Raymond Village Florist
Ultimate Hair and Tanning
Good Life Market
Greater Bridgton Lake Region Chamber of Commerce
Hawthorne Garden Club
Beverly Bridges
Eileen & Howard Stiles
The McIntire Family
The Trepanier Family

Please call Elisa at the Town Office, 655-4742 ext. 61, if you would like to adopt a garden, or complete the application included in this issue.

The Beautification Committee is continuing its Walk ‘n Weed on Friday mornings at Sunset Variety at 8am. Bring your garden gloves, a bucket, clippers, hand cultivator, and a green thumb, if you have one!

Work Permit Guidelines

By: Rep. John C. Robinson

With summer soon approaching and the end of the school year drawing near, many of Maine’s teens will join the workforce. If you are under 16 years old, however, you’ll first need to obtain a work permit from the state before punching in for your first shift.

Any child under the age of 16 needs to obtain a work permit even if they are not attending school during the time of employment. A new permit must be obtained every time a new job is to begin until the child reaches the age of 16. Last year’s permit won’t be valid for this summer!

The first step to getting a work permit is to get an offer of employment. Once an employer and a specific job position are known, the student must go to their district’s Superintendent’s Office with proof of age, social security number, employer’s name, and job position. A parent’s signature or a signed note from a parent or guardian will be needed to complete the work permit application. If the child plans on holding more than one part-time job during the summer, he or she is required to apply for a work permit for each employer.

For more information, including work hour restrictions, safety guidelines, and other resources for teen workers, the Maine Department of Labor has established a website at www.safeteen.org, or the Department of Labor can be reached at 624-6400.

Legislative Report: Get Ready To Pay The ‘Dirigo Tax’

By: Rep. John Robinson

If you’ve never paid much attention to Maine’s Dirigo Health insurance plan, this might be a good time to start. The Dirigo tax is on the way.

Beginning in January, Dirigo will extract a tax, probably four percent, on all “claims paid” under health insurance plans. The same tax will apply to medical claims paid by companies that self insure. The projected “take” from all this will come to about \$50 million a year. That money will go directly to Dirigo, so it can subsidize premiums for its own customers.

The insurance companies themselves will pay the tax. You won’t see it directly. But you can bet your bottom dollar that the insurers will pass the cost along in the form of higher premiums – just what we need when Maine already has the second highest health insurance rates in the country. Bear in mind that this tax also will apply to municipalities. Towns and cities that carry health insurance for municipal workers will see their premiums rise. Guess how this will be paid for? That’s right – by raising property taxes.

Without this \$50 million a year – a tax on all Mainers with health coverage – Dirigo would collapse. It cannot survive without taxing its competitors. That is a very shaky business plan, to say the least.

Dirigo is the brainchild of Governor John Baldacci, who pushed it through the last Legislature. The stated goal was to provide Maine’s 130,000 uninsured people with health coverage. For this year – the first full year of the program – the target was to enroll 31,000 people.

So far, however, it is badly underperforming. Only about 7,000 have signed up, and two thirds of them previously had coverage under other plans. Dirigo isn’t attracting the many small companies it had counted on to cover the cost of subsidizing the uninsured who come on board. Instead, Dirigo has mostly encouraged companies to switch to the slightly cheaper Dirigo product to save a couple of bucks – at the taxpayers’ expense. Anecdotal evidence suggests that even people with six-figure incomes are getting subsidized insurance.

Originally, Dirigo was funded by a one-time grant of \$53 million from the federal government. That money is now gone. Some \$12 million has been spent to subsidize Dirigo customers, and the rest has been “encumbered,” or pledged, to Anthem, which provides the actual Dirigo insurance. That’s why the program needs the new “Dirigo tax” to stay in business.

A rational person might ask this question: By what right does Dirigo dare to take my money to subsidize cheaper health premiums for somebody else? The reason given is that Dirigo will lower health care costs across the whole system. With fewer uninsured people getting charity care at hospitals, or leaving hospitals with bad debt, the hospitals won’t have to “cost shift” those losses to paying customers – people with insurance. As the thinking goes, the insurance industry overall would save money. Those savings, it is argued, should go to Dirigo, because it is the reason for the cost decline.

That’s the theory. The problem is trying to quantify what savings, if any, have been achieved. How do you measure something so complicated, with so many moving parts – thousands of doctors and clinics, dozens of hospitals and emergency rooms, tens of thousands of medical procedures, and an unfathomable blizzard of paperwork. Who could possibly keep track of all this?

At this point, it’s not clear if any savings even exist, let alone how much money may be involved. Under statute, the maximum Dirigo tax can be four percent. It could also be zero, or one, two or three percent. The decision apparently will be made by the five members of the Dirigo Board, who have a vested interest in making the tax as high as possible. It’s an inside deal, and you can bet the farm that the whole four percent – a \$50 million tax increase – will ultimately show up in Dirigo’s bank account.