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Special Town Meeting Passes Entire Warrant

By: Don Willard, Town Manager

On Tuesday, June 5, 2001, 227 Raymond voters gathered at Raymond Elementary School to consider nine articles on a Special Town Meeting Warrant. The first article sought to change the date of the Annual Town Meeting from the third Saturday in March to the third Saturday in May effective 2002. This article would reverse a town meeting vote taken in 1995 changing the date of the annual town meeting from May to March. The original change

was made in an effort to boost town meeting attendance. After a 5-year trial the Budget Finance Committee determined that no significant change in attendance had occurred. The change to a March town meeting did, however, result in a serious negative impact upon budget development for both the Town of Raymond and the Raymond School Department. Holding Town Meeting in March requires budget development, review and approval far in advance of the commencement of the new fiscal year.

subsidy often change after the final review of the school budget by the School Committee and Budget Finance Committee, requiring additional meetings to revise budgets. For these reasons the Budget Finance Committee suggested changing the town meeting timing back to the third Saturday in May. This article was the most controversial of the Special Town Meeting, passing by a margin of 80 to 68.

After years of planning and study a proposal was brought to the Special Town Meeting to consider the construction of a new public safety building to be located at Route 302 and Main Street to serve as a replacement for the existing District 1 building. In an effort to obtain the highest quality building while at the same time expending the least amount of money, a design-build process was utilized. Several competing contractors were interviewed and ultimately Glen Builders of North Conway, New Hampshire, was selected as the general con-

tractor on the building. After numerous meetings, during which many building details were discussed, cost estimates developed, alternatives considered, and changes made to improve function and reduce cost, a final budget was reached. The construction project will cost the Town no more than \$1,795,351. Of this total \$200,000 has been raised previously from Undesignated Surplus through the Reserve Fund for Capital Improvements. The aggregate principal amount to be bonded by the Town is now \$1,595,351. Under estimates provided to the Town Meeting the bond would be repaid over a 15-year term and require a total debt service of \$2,252,039.

Fire Chief Denis Morse provided an overview of the proposed fire station, and citizens spoke on both sides of the issue. Ultimately, overwhelming support was received from the Special Town Meeting voters to

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Road Runner Articles Due

Articles for the next edition of the Road Runner newsletter are due by July 15th. Please provide them by any of the following methods:

E-Mail; Diskette; Paper

Articles should be saved in Rich Text Format (RTF) on diskette or as e-mail attachments.

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or drop at Town Hall

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Renovations At Jordan-Small Middle School

By: Christian Elkington, Principal

Over the next 7 weeks, renovation work will be continuing at Jordan-Small Middle School. Some of the highlights of our project include the renovation of 2 of our present spaces to become Science Labs, the construction of a kiln space for our Art room, the addition of a 2nd Computer Lab and the installation of 300 student lockers. Other improvements include acoustical and electrical changes to our Music Room, a new health space for our Nurse, and the complete redoing of all hallways at our school. Many Americans with Disabilities Act changes are also being made to bathrooms and doorways so that we can better support all students and community members. It is our hope that this project will be completed by the middle to end of August. As we move closer to completion, we will pick a date for an Open House for all to see our improvements.

On behalf of our students and staff, special thanks go to the voters of Raymond for approving at the special town meeting an additional \$79,000 to complete this project in its entirety.

Elementary 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 13. Over 120 adults volunteered this year at the Raymond Elementary School. Their contributions have been outstanding, with thousands of hours donated to support our elementary program. A number of volunteers were recognized for outstanding contributions. Teachers nominated Julie Orsini, Tammy Hodgkins, Julie Richards, Susan MacKenzie, Beth Gaudet, Belinda Hughes, Donna Cox, Danielle Morse, Jeri Keane, Kathy Boothby Gredin, Heidi Shaw, Roberta Meserve, Susan Mitchell and Lisa Schadler as Outstanding Volunteers. Special Principal's Awards were also presented to Julie Orsini, Jeri Keane, Roberta Meserve, Belinda Hughes, Danielle Morse, Cathy Dodge, Mary Lou Smith and Deb Keef for their volunteer efforts. Two volunteers were recognized as VOLUNTEERS

OF THE YEAR. Mrs. Phyllis Barden and Mrs. Priscilla Barber have donated hundreds of hours of time to our elementary teachers and children. Their work through the years has been exemplary, and their contributions have been significant. On behalf of our students and faculty, I want to thank all of this year's volunteers. I also want to encourage other Raymond residents to join our Volunteer Program by calling the school office at 655-8672.

During summer vacation, the school office will be open each Tuesday from 8:00 - 3:00. Wendy Thoren, our school receptionist, and I will be available on Tuesdays to register new students and give them a tour of the school. If you have a question and need to reach me at other times, please call the school office at 655-8672 and leave me a message at extension 400. Most weeks I will be working Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, but it is best to call in advance. The office will be back to full time status on August 20.



Eileen and Howard Stiles enjoy the community celebration in honor of her retirement as the Home-School Coordinator for the Raymond School Department.

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Keep Your PC Running Smoothly

“Preventive maintenance”: a phrase which causes us to make routine dental appointments, clean our chimneys and have our car’s engine oil changed regularly. The same principle applies to your personal computer and can be even more gratifying because you can do most, if not all, of the work yourself.

Computer use, both in terms time spent and applications used, varies greatly, but there are some very simple routines everyone can establish. Many of the maintenance tools you need are already installed on your computer. “Fancier” versions of these are also available commercially. Here is a list of helpful items, some of which are not even electronic:

- Notebook (the paper kind)
- Soft brush, cloth, cotton swabs
- Scan Disk program
- Disk Defragmenter program
- Disk Cleanup program
- Anti-virus program

Several of the software (program) tools listed above have come pre-installed on computers for years. There are commercial versions available of all of them, many of which are bundled in packages including maintenance and security programs plus other “utilities” (helper programs).

Notebook: Keep a notebook near your computer, which is dedicated to information about the computer. Use it as a diary for non-routine activity – particularly installing or removing hardware or software. Make detailed notes of any error messages you receive which you don’t know how to resolve. This information can be vital for troubleshooting – either on your own or if you have to call an expert.

Brush, cloth, cotton swabs, can of compressed air: Even the most clinically clean home has dust and skin cells and other icky things floating around. Brush off your keyboard periodically and also check for dust accumulation at the computer’s intake vents. Wipe these with a soft cloth or cotton swabs. If your mouse has become hard to control, shut down your computer and clean the mouse thoroughly using cotton swabs and alcohol. Specific directions for doing this are in your “mouse” literature and are also usually available at the manufacturer’s website on the internet.

ScanDisk: This program is in your System Tools folder (typically Start > Programs > Accessories > System Tools). When you open the program, you will see two choices: Standard and Thorough. A good rule of thumb is to run Standard once a day (takes a few minutes) and Thorough once a month (can take up to an hour).

Mainly what ScanDisk is doing is cleaning up file fragments and “leftovers” from improper shutdowns or partially loaded webpages. Before you run it, take a look at the Options you are given. The normal setting performs a scan of both the “system” and “data” areas, and also instructs ScanDisk to repair bad sectors. Go to “Advanced” settings, and you will see a number of categories and choices. As with mouse cleaning, detailed instructions are available in Help and on the internet. Here are two settings which help save disk space. 1) “Log file”: ScanDisk can create a record (log) of the fact that it ran and what it found. If you choose “Replace Log,” then a record of the most recent scan will be kept for you to look at, but will be replaced the next time you run ScanDisk. This is most often a better choice than to have ScanDisk keep adding to the existing log each time it runs. 2) “Lost File Fragments”: Choose “Free” to release the disk space these were taking up. There is almost no reason to convert these odds and ends to

files, which is your other choice.

Disk Defragmenter: If you use your computer every day for hours at a time, this program should be run about once a week. For less frequent use, once a month is fine. As you open, close, delete, save, rename and file programs and information, your computer records this activity in random spots here and there on your hard drive. The more you open and close and save and delete, the more chopped up this information becomes. Each time you ask for a particular program and its associated files, your computer has to do more scooting around your hard drive to find where it tucked everything and then it has to assemble it for you. It is very gratifying to fire up “Defrag” and watch it repack, re-sort and organize everything – nice and neat!

Disk Cleanup program: This is a standard feature on newer computers, but there are also freeware, shareware and commercial versions which can be found by searching the internet using keywords similar to “disk maintenance utilities”. A program like this gives you a list of the places on your computer where files which are no longer needed are usually found: Temporary Files, Temporary Internet Files, Downloaded Program Files and the Recycle Bin, to name

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News From The Raymond Village Library

The library will be closed on July 4, celebrating Independence Day

July 14 – That’s the day of the Raymond Village Library Fair. Be sure to mark your calendars and plan to be at the Raymond Elementary School between the hours of 8am and 1pm. There you will find flocks of flowers and plants, a ton of treasures and piles of paperback books at bargain prices. There will be a cool cookie walk and fabulous food to bring home for meals and desserts. The Silent Auction again this year will feature 25 wonderful art works donated by local artists. These paintings are now on exhibit at the library until the Fair on July 14. If you are unable to attend the Fair but would like to bid on any one of the pictures, there are bid sheets at the library for your convenience. Remember this is at the new Raymond Elementary School this year. This isn’t just going to be a Fair – this is going to be Great!!!

The Hardcover Book Sale at the library will begin on July

21 for the children to make their selections and on July 22 for adult books. This is a wonderful opportunity to add to your personal library, with a minimum amount of cost and many books from which to choose.

Community Effort – Our thanks go out to the Hawthorne Garden Club for the lovely hanging baskets they have donated to beautify the entrance to the library. The flowers were from our local Murley, Greenhouse and arranged by the Hawthorne Garden Club members.

The Summer Reading Program at the library, will explore exciting tales of knights and dragons, folktales, fairy tales and other fantasies! Lots of fun activities are planned. To join, fill in your application received at school or pick one up at the library. Call Lisa at 655-5076 or stop by the library with questions and for more information. There will be a limit of 75 readers in the program, so don’t wait too long.

July 2001

Events and Meeting Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 7:00PM TH Selectmen	4 Independence Day Town Office Closed	5 10:00AM VL Story Time 10:00AM VL Baby Time 6:30PM KC Lions Club	6	7
8	9	10	11 7:00PM TH Planning Board	12 10:00AM VL Story Time 10:00AM VL Baby Time	13	14 8:00AM-1:00PM VL Library Fair Library Book Sale Begins
15	16	17 7:00PM TH Selectmen	18 7:00PM RE School Committee	19 10:00AM VL Story Time 10:00AM VL Baby Time 6:30PM KC Lions Club	20	21 Library Book Sale Ends
22 10:00AM Appeals Board Site Walk	23	24 7:00PM TH Selectmen	25 9:00AM VL Library Board Meeting	26 10:00AM VL Story Time 10:00AM VL Baby Time	27	28
29	30 7:00PM TH Appeals Board	31				FB=Fire Barn JS=Jordan-Small KC=Kokatosi Campgnd RE=Raymond Elementary TG=Town Garage RT85 TH=Town Hall VL=Village Library

Special Town Meeting

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proceed with the construction project. It is anticipated that construction could begin as early as this summer, with the project being completed during the early part of 2002. Numerous approvals are required for the project to proceed, including environmental and local land use reviews. An elevation sketch of the proposed new building is on display at the Raymond Town Office.

An article to appropriate a sum not to exceed \$79,600.00 from Municipal Fund Balance (Undesignated Surplus) for the Jordan-Small Middle School renovation project was approved. This appropriation was intended to fund an unanticipated shortfall between funds raised previously and the low project bid received. The appropriation will enable the original scope of work that was established in 1997 to be completed as planned. The work includes renovation of classrooms, construction of two science labs, student lockers and bringing the building up to the new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) code. The total cost of the project is now \$944,600 with the work to be performed under a bid received from Nocoour Construction of Portland.

An important public capital improvement to enhance economic development was also considered by the voters. In March the Town approved accepting a \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant for the extension of a public

water line along Route 302 from the Windham Business Park to the area of EmbedTech (Chipco) located near the intersection of Route 85 and Route 302. The Special Town Meeting considered matching the \$400,000 Community Development Block Grant with a bond not to exceed \$418,691 for a total project cost of \$818,691. This water line extension will enable EmbedTech to begin producing radio frequency ID tags for use in life cycle tracking of animals, among other applications. This business venture will result in approximately 40 new jobs in the Town of Raymond and an additional \$3.1 million in capital investment within the Town's TIF (Tax Increment Financing District). The article was approved nearly unanimously. Work on the water line project will commence pending final agreements between EmbedTech and the Town of Raymond, providing financial surety to the town bond through the establishment of a Capital Reserve Fund for debt retirement by EmbedTech. Construction work could start by early fall.

A change was considered in the Town's Land Use Ordinance expanding the Industrial Zone from the present 700 feet back from Route 302 to 1000 feet on a portion of Map 4, Lot 18. This change was made in order to establish an Industrial Zone line for Martin Machine consistent with that previously approved for Sabre Yachts. This change was recommended by the Planning Board and also approved by the Special Town Meeting.

Two articles were related to adjacent property to be added to the 8.5-acre parcel previously donated to the Town for

the new public safety/fire station building. One small parcel was the subject of a Discontinuance Order by the Board of Selectmen. The parcel was part of the former location of Route 302 prior to its relocation, but no longer needed as part of the road. The parcel comprises approximately .5 acres or 22,000 square feet. Another parcel comprising .16 acres or 7,100 square feet will be conveyed from the Maine Department of Transportation. As a consequence of the affirmative votes received on these articles, the Town now has a building site totaling 9.16 acres.

The last article considered and approved was to appropriate the sum of \$21,000 for a new Dispatch Center radio and telephone recorder. The present recorder is several years old and had become unreliable, resulting in numerous expensive repairs. The amount recommended to the Town Meeting of \$21,000 would come from existing revenue in the Reserve Fund for Capital Improvements and would not need to be raised from new taxes.

I hope this information is helpful regarding the votes taken at the June 5, 2001, Special Town Meeting. If I can provide any additional information or assistance regarding the warrant articles considered or any other issue of municipal concern, please contact me at the Raymond Town Office at 655-4742.

Fire and Rescue Department Needs Your Help

The Fire and Rescue Department desperately needs your help. We need buildings to train our firefighters. Raymond Fire and Rescue depends on the donation of buildings to destroy, demolish and burn for realistic training. Our skills depend on our ability to practice what we learn. The donation of these buildings increases our efficiency and effectiveness in saving both lives and property. If you, or anyone you know have any structures that you would be willing to donate for firefighter training, please contact Capt. Sam Webster at 655-7851. Once a building has been donated, we will inspect the building on site for its safety. If we are able to use the building in a positive manner without undue risk, arrangements will be made to schedule training to be conducted at that location. Thank you very much for your support and dedication to the Raymond Fire and Rescue Department. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by both the members of the Department and those we serve in our communities.



Raymond Food Pantry

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

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

2001 Summer Work Schedule Raymond Public Works Department

This work schedule is our plan to be completed this year. If the work goes well, everything on this list should be completed by winter. This list can be altered or changed as necessary.

- Cape Road - Ditch, replace culverts and rebuild shoulders from the Casco town line to Shaw Road. This is approximately 6000 feet of pavement.
- Conesca Road - Repair shoulders.
- Gore Road - Repair shoulders.
- Martin Heights - Replace two 18-inch culverts.
- North Raymond Road - Ditch and replace cul-

verts from the Poland town line to the Ledge Hill Road intersection. This is approximately 6000 feet of pavement.

- North Raymond Road - Repair shoulders.
- Plains Road - Camp Hinds to Route 121 will be capped with pavement about 6000 feet.
- Presidential View Road - Repair shoulders.
- Tower Road - From Route 121 to the end of the town road section recap with pavement.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Nathan White, Road Commissioner, at 655-2018 or the Town Office at 655-4742.

Composting In The Yard

As reprinted from THE MAINE ADVISOR

As more cities and local communities place restrictions on disposal of yard wastes, composting becomes an excellent option for many homeowners. If you have always thought that composting was too much work or too smelly, maybe it is time to consider this backyard conservation practice!

You do not need special equipment to start a compost pile. Simply piling yard debris in a heap on the ground will work, but it will be a slow process. This is referred to as cold composting. No specific amount of material is needed to start the compost heap, and you can add to the pile at any time. You can run a lawnmower to shred woody materials! While cold composting is the simplest method, it also is the slowest. Some studies have shown that because of the low temperatures achieved during decomposition, weed seeds and disease causing organisms may not be destroyed.

Hot composting causes the material to decompose faster. It also has the benefits of destroying many weed seeds and disease causing organisms. For hot composting, a pile with minimum dimensions of 3'x3'x3' is needed for efficient heating. Moisture and aeration and required.

Many styles of compost bins are on the market that will help contain the pile and hasten the process. Some resemble garbage cans. The new materials are placed in the

top and the finished compost can be scooped out the bottom. Other bins are spherical and as you roll the bin, the compost is mixed and aerated. You can build a simple bin. A hoop of wire mesh will contain the waste and allow air to enter from all sides. Wooden bins also can be built—numerous plans are available from nurseries or garden centers. Check on local regulations before building a compost bin. Some urban areas require rodent proof bins.

Here are some tips for successful composting:

1. Choose a level, well-drained site, preferably near your garden.
2. For hot composting, mix together or alternate layers of green materials such as grass clippings and brown materials such as dead leaves. Green materials provide a source of nitrogen while leaves provide carbon for the decomposing organisms.
3. A small amount of nitrogen fertilizer or barnyard manure can be added if needed to supply nitrogen.
4. Keep the pile moist, but not wet. Soggy piles encourage the growth of organisms that can survive without oxygen and cause unpleasant odors.
5. Provide aeration either by turning the pile or by using bins that allow air to enter the pile.

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Boy Scout Troop 800 Wraps Up Its 2000-2001 Season

By John Hanley, Troop Committee

Well, sort of. There are still a number of planned activities and events throughout the summer, as scouting for many troops is a year round way of life. Our "official" start is when school starts, and this past fall we started with our new Senior Patrol Leader Zeb Swick and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader Clint Randall.

Regular Troop meetings, which are held every Tuesday at the Raymond Village Community Church, involved Tribal Customs and folklore, gun safety and marksmanship, Citizenship in the Community/Nation/World with a visit by our State Representative Joe Bruno, computer science, computer game development, the Raymond Website, how to make webpages, rope-making, bike tune-ups and safety, rocket building and launching, First Aid, firemanship and a visit by Raymond EMTs and firefighters and History of Scouting Jeopardy. The last troop meeting of the year, was an edible wilds dinner which featured meat from various game animals and edible plants from the wild.

Events including planning and preparation were the Klondike Derby, Scouting for Food, hiking Tumbledown Mountain, winter campout, Casco Bay District Camporee, wreath and popcorn fundraising sale, Annual Bean Supper. Skiing at Mt. Abram, several swims at St. Joseph's pool, winter cookout and ice fishing on Raymond Pond. Webelos Crossover, a day trip to the Air National Guard Base in Bangor, Merit Badge College in Brunswick. Spring cleanup at the Church, and two Courts of Honors. Believe it or not I left out some activities, and a few of the ones originally planned fell through; but all in all it's been another busy year.

Thank you to all the scouts for their enthusiasm. Your inquisitiveness challenges your fellow scouts, the adult leaders and yourselves. Thank you to our Adult Leaders. Your preparation time, patience, willing to learn and share your skills and knowledge are a tribute to your character and are a giant contribution to our community. Thank you to the parents who lent a hand providing transportation and those who have become merit badge counselors on subjects of interest and in their areas of expertise to provide the scouts with local access to earning merit badges. Thank you to the parents who have become Troop Committee members. Your time and concern for the program provides the oversight to ensure a program that parents can have confidence in. Thank you to Raymond residents and neighbors who have supported our fundraisers. All this activity has a price tag and by supporting our fundraisers you play a large part in this program's existence. And last but not least - Thank you Raymond Village Community Church, our Charter Organization. Your support is "priceless". The community is strengthened by your involvement.

We have recently had some leadership changes. Jay Peterson and Denise McMay are stepping down as Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chair respectively; happily they are still active with the Troop. Jay will be an Assistant Scoutmaster and Denise will remain with the committee as a member-at-large. Tom Wiley has become the new Scoutmaster and John Hanley is the new committee chair. We will be challenged to equal the efforts of Jay and Denise. During their leadership the Troop has made great strides in what scouting offers the boys in Raymond. We also welcome as new Assistant Scoutmasters Peter Lockwood and Kevin Woodbrey and two committee-at-large members Patti Gordon and Sandy Winde.

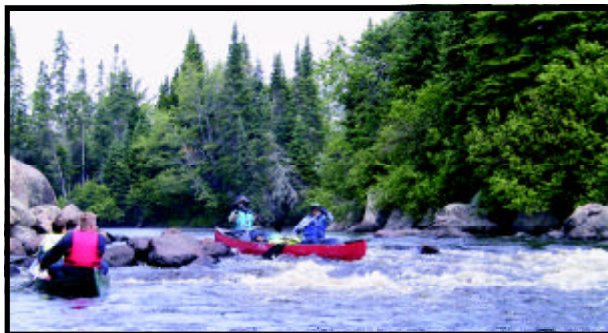
To keep up to date on upcoming Troop 800 activities, check out the Troop's web pages on the Town's website at <http://www.raymondmaine.org> (hey, a shout-out to the Town and the Web and Technology Committee for this wonderful resource) which includes information and things that the Scouts have been up to. To contact by phone: Tom Wiley, Scoutmaster, 655-2048 or John Hanley, Troop Committee Chair, 998-5304.



Boy Scout Troop 800 - Spring 2001 Canoe Trip



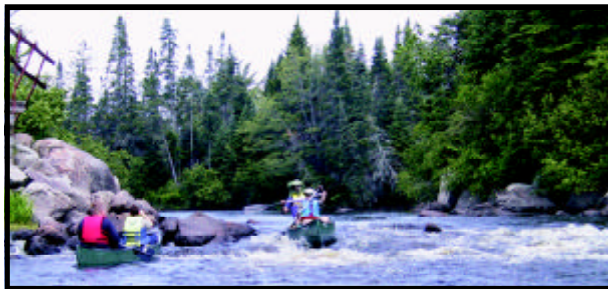
A scout declares victory over the rapids.



More scouts pass through the rapids.



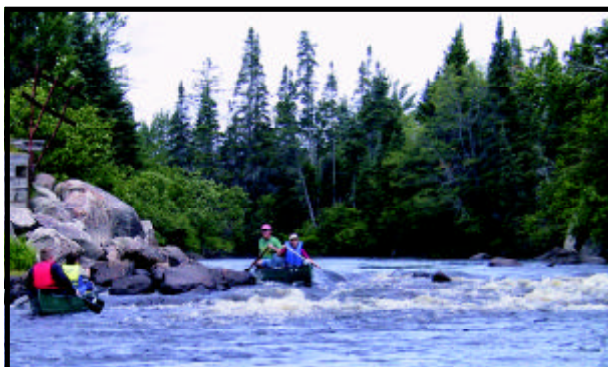
Supper preparation at the first campsite.



And more....



The scouts prepare to leave from Attean Pond landing.



And more....



On Attean Pond.

And finally all eleven canoes made it through successfully.





Amanda Hammett JSMS Musician of the year

Sable's Visit To The Raymond Elementary School

On Wednesday, June 6, the children at the Raymond Elementary School had a very exciting visitor. Police dog Sable and her owner Officer Scott Spillane of Raymond came to demonstrate her outstanding police work for the Cumberland County Sheriff's Department. Sable is trained to locate and identify explosive materials and to locate missing persons. The children were fascinated to see her demonstrate her work. Officer Spillane explained how Sable was trained and how they work as a team on the police force. We want to especially thank him for bringing Sable and for sharing his talent and his work with us.



Poetry Garden Benches Donated To The Raymond Elementary School

If you have visited the Raymond Elementary School this spring, you may have seen the two beautiful new additions to the school. Two handcrafted art benches have been donated to complete the Poetry Garden, the colorful sculpture that graces our front entrance. One bench was donated in memory of Elizabeth Osborne Cousineau by her sister and brother-in-law, Susan and Richard Boissonneault of Saco, and her brother and his wife, Allan and Deborah Osborne of Williamston, NC. Melita Westerlund of Bar Harbor, Poetry Garden artist, donated the second bench. The benches are wonderfully whimsical and invite students and adults to sit and enjoy a special moment. Students and staff would like to thank Susan and Richard, Allan and Deborah, and Melita for their generous donations. We will enjoy the Poetry Garden benches for many years to come.



JSMS Band Certificates presentation



JSMS Chorus Certificates presentaion



PEER Council certificates to Jennifer Curtis, Stephen Wisutskie, Alison Gagnon, Becky Randall, Kainani Stevens, Dylan Dodge, Kaz Powell, April Cox, Doug Remick, Skylar Duncanson, Katie Eastman, Kris Burgess, Alison Remalia and Liz Stevenson. Staff advisors pictured Deb Hutchinson and Lynn Davis. Names are not in any order.

Hawthorne Community Association

RAYMOND CAPE ROAD
SOUTH CASCO, MAINE 04077

YARD SALE Saturday, July 28th



NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE'S BOYHOOD HOME

There will be a Giant Yard Sale at the Hawthorne House on Saturday, July 28th, from 9 AM to 2 PM, rain or shine.

Any salable items which you would be willing to donate would be greatly appreciated. You can bring articles at 8AM on the 28th or, if required, storage is also available prior to this date. Call Bob Wallace at 655-3357 if you have questions.

Every item will help us maintain and improve this historical non-profit landmark.

Jordan-Small Middle School 4th Quarter Honor Roll

By: Christian Elkington, Principal

Congratulations go to the following JSMS students for their academic efforts this past quarter!

5th Grade High Honors

Bridget Byrne
Natasha Carson
Alexandra Gordan
Travis Guerrette
Amy McIntire

5th Grade Honors

John Atwood
Harmony Brown
Jordan Burns
Raven Casler
Victoria Christy
Amy Cobb
April Cox
Sarah Crockett
Ashlee Daggett
Markie DeSorbo
Grant Dodge
Khristopher Fenton
Alison Gagnon
Julia Hartig
Danielle Holman
Ian Levinsky
Nicole Lloy
Patrick Lockwood
Jared Marcinuk
Andrew Miranda
Bobby Murphy
Michael Orsini
Taylor Parker
Alison Remalia
Douglas Remick
Trevor Saremi
Elizabeth Stevenson
Robyn Stillings
Daniel Williams
Cody Winde
Justin Woodbrey
Kyle Woodbrey

6th Grade High Honors

Keegan Brown
Julia Comeau
Skylar Duncanson
Amanda Hammett
Wyndham Juneau
Kainani Stevens

6th Grade Honors

Ian Acker
Alyse Bartholomew
Nora Biggs
Andrew Bissonnette
Steven Clark
Brett Coggan
Brittany Cogswell
Travis Cook
Casey Crouse
Katie Eastman
Amanda Evans
Taylor Fey
Kayleigh Flynn
Nicole Gagne
Cameron Gosney
Roman Gosney
Sam Grieve
Andrew Jordan
Troy Knight
Elliot LaMarre
Ashley Leavitt
Jacob Markowski
Logan Martyn-Fisher
Sarah Morneault
Jennalea Morse
Kameron Purinton
Becky Randall
Andrew Reed
Erika Richardson
Justin Robinson
John Shively
Kayla Taylor
EmJay Williams
Stefan Winslow
Stephen Wisutskie

On behalf of the staff of JSMS, let me thank each one of you for all your efforts at reaching these academic expectations! We, along with your parents and guardians, are very proud of your accomplishments!

Mrs. Tarr's Class Shares Their Stories

On Monday, June 11th, Mrs. Tarr's 2nd grade class was host to 30 eighth grade students from Lincoln Middle School in Portland. The eighth graders came with fairy tales that they had written, illustrated, and bound. After the stories were read, the second graders were asked to evaluate them in 3 areas. The second grade class then read their stories to the eighth graders. Our guests left after enjoying some well-deserved playground time together.

The next day, Tuesday, Mrs. Tarr's class stayed after school for some fun together before we prepared for our families' arrival. A potluck supper was enjoyed by all with many scrumptious dishes and desserts.

After dinner, each student shared his/her story that had been written, edited, typed, illustrated, and bound. The stories were just fabulous! Everyone went home amazed at the potential of these soon-to-be third graders.

Need Your Help!

The music program at Jordan-Small Middle School is seeking assistance in promoting musical instrument study. Most beginning musicians rent or purchase their instrument during their first year of instruction. Some of our students cannot participate in the band program due to these financial constraints. Unfortunately, our school system has a limited supply of instruments to lend young musicians. We are looking for donations of used flutes, clarinets, saxophones, trumpets, trombones, and percussion equipment which can be put into playing condition without great expense. Financial donations would also be appreciated to build a maintenance repair and purchase account.

If you are able to help, please contact Randy Crockett at JSMS (655-4743), or leave your donation at the school office. During the summer the school office will be open from 8am - 4pm on Tuesdays. Thank you for your support of our growing band program.



Semi-Circle Scholarships Awarded

The Raymond Women's Semi-Circle awarded Karen Gilman its \$600 scholarship and Amanda Leavitt its \$400 scholarship. Karen will be attending Plymouth State College and Amanda is going to Emerson College. Our best wishes go with them in their new endeavors.

Fourth Quarter Honors At The Raymond Elementary School

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

3rd Grade Honors:

Cory Parker
Chantelle Lydick
Jordan Baker
James Fisher
Adam Giroux
Zachary Knights
Nathaniel Ohman
Stephanie Spaulding
Justin Terry
Chelsea Tevanian
Katie Allen
Abbie Brockelbank
Dean Darien
Anthony Dighello
Lindy Haycock
Morgan Larrabee
Dustin Libby
James Plummer
Samantha Spaulding
Julia Trepanier
Ian Dufour
Jordan Flynn
Nicole Fusco
Amber Gillis
Joshua LeViness
John Scripture
Addison Lewis
Caroline Blake
Haley Desjardins
Anna Klinkerch
Abbie McIvor
Marybeth Wiley

3rd Grade High Honors:

Kaitlyn Chandler
Emily Dodge
Jenna Eastman
Samuel Harvey
Samuel Hutchinson
Devin Mackenzie
Ethan Ward
Hannah Lachance

4th Grade Honors:

Phoebe Crockett
Nick Gredin
Hannah Huber
Jacob Trickey
Danielle Walton
Brett Bisesti
Logan Cline
Katie Cook
Taylor Duncanson
Megan Harding
Jacob Hotham
Elijah Hughes
Patrick Martin
Kelsey Nadeau
Brittany Plummer
Lauren Weeks
Erik Wisutskie
Brenda Wood
Laura Sanborn
Brittany Reed
Rebecca Morris
Brandi Mitchell
Nina McNally
Courtney Bruno
Sibyl Cunningham
Alyson Feltovic
Andrew O'Neill
Jacob Perry
Kees VanHaasteren
Chad Zawistowski

4th Grade High Honors:

Ali Knight
Brianna Bisesti
Alyson Schadler
Lyndsay Davala
Lindsay Ryan
Ashley Waldron

Summer Art Classes Are Back!

Who? A Maine College of Art graduate will be teaching art classes for kids ages 8-15.

What? We'll explore drawing, painting, printmaking, crafts, and more!

Where? At the Riverside Hall in Raymond.

When? Mondays and Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. July 9th - August 22nd

Why? To express ourselves, make new friends, and have fun!

For more information contact Maya Amrich at 772-9728. If you reach an answering machine just leave your name and address and I'll send you an information packet.

Happy Summer!

3rd Graders Line Dance To Career Awareness

On June 1 Mrs. Rachel Knights, a country line dance instructor, came to the Raymond Elementary School to teach third graders how to line dance. Mrs. Malnati, Mrs. Tounge, Mrs. Gorham and their students all enjoyed dancing to "That Old Time Rock and Roll" and "The Macarena". Mrs. Knights' lesson was part of the third grade career awareness program in which parents come to school to showcase their professions. The third grade teachers would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who came in this spring to share their time and expertise with out students.

PTA Art Quiz

The PTA sponsored an art quiz for the students at Jordan-Small Middle School for six weeks during the months of May and June. Each week a display was posted featuring a famous artist or a famous painting. Students were sent on a "Treasure Hunt" using the computer to find the answers to two or three specific questions concerning the artworks. They were able to:

- Solve an interactive mystery for one answer. www.eduweb.com/pintura/ Great Fun!
- Take an online tour of some of Van Gogh's works at the National Gallery in Washington, D.C. www.nga.gov
- Discover the connection between American Artist Mary Cassatt and the French Impressionists. www.metmuseum.org
- Discover how the "Fauve" movement got its name and learn how innovative Henri Matisse was in using color. www.nga.gov
- Learn artist techniques for making a composition three-dimensional and more dynamic in Emmanuel Gottlieb Leutze's "Washington Crossing the Delaware." www.metmuseum.org
- Review the previous five weeks by using their memories to answer questions about Millet, Van Gogh, Cassatt, Matisse and Leutze.

The PTA donated prizes in addition to donations from Casablanca Comics and Five Star Cinema in Windham. Prizewinners were Samantha Murphy, Nora Biggs, Skylar Duncanson, Casey Crowse, Logan Martyn-Fisher and James Wiley. We would like to thank Casablanca Comics and Five Star Cinema Windham for supporting this educational quiz by donating two of the prizes.

The goal of the quiz was to encourage students to look more closely at artworks, discover new resources on the internet and have a little fun. Congratulations to all those students who took part. 95% of all entries were correct! The winner was drawn from correct entries and if the buzz around the notice board was anything to go by, all goals were achieved!

Your Grocery Shopping Can Benefit The Raymond PTA

By: Sheri Reed, Fundraising Chairperson

The Raymond PTA is asking Raymond families and friends to join us in several fundraisers that are easy and won't cost you a thing! In fact, friends and family members from around the state can also participate and raise money to support our PTA. The PTA will use these funds to support the Reflections Program, scholarships for graduating seniors, Jump for Hearts, the school libraries, field days, teacher breakfasts, and many other school events during the year. These things enrich our children's learning environment and support our teachers.

MAKE YOUR SHOPPING COUNT WITH SHAW'S SUPERMARKET AND SCHOOLPOP. Register your Shaw's Rewards Card with Schoolpop and 2% of all purchases at any Shaw's store in Maine will be donated to the Raymond PTA every time you use your card.. Encourage family members throughout the state to participate. You can register by:

- * Going online at www.schoolpop.com
- * Call toll-free: 1-877-456-1032 (Mon- Fri, 9AM - 9PM)

HANNAFORD & SHOP 'N SAVE HELP SCHOOLS. From September 17 through November 24, 2001, Hannaford and Shop 'n Save Supermarkets will support local K - 12 schools and reward their customers who purchase participating General Mills Products. This fall you can earn "School Dollar" coupons from the cashier when you purchase General Mills Products.

- * Buy 3 General Mills Products = \$2 School Dollars
- * Buy 5 General Mills Products = \$4 School Dollars
- * Buy 8 General Mills Products = \$6 School Dollars

BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION This year the school libraries received over \$340 from the Boxtops for Education Program. Students have brought home baggies with a reminder to collect Boxtops all year long, including during the summer months. The PTA will treat all children who bring in Boxtops in September to a special Ice Cream Party.

The best thing about all of these programs is that we can earn money for our school while shopping for groceries. I hope that you will participate and support the Raymond Schools and the Raymond PTA.

Raymond Summer Baseball/Softball Camp

August 13-16 at Raymond Little League Field
Mill Street, Raymond

9am to 2pm

Open to boys and girls ages 8-12

Direct Questions to Beau Boyle at 892-6864

Jump For Hearts A Rousing Success

The Raymond PTA would like to congratulate and thank all of the children who participated in Jump For Hearts to benefit the American Heart Association. Mrs. Julie Orsini and Beau Boyle, physical education teacher, coordinated this year's program. They had set a goal of \$3,000 this year, and the children surpassed that goal and raised \$3,864.50! This is an amazing effort by our students, and we are very excited to contribute this amount to the American Heart Association. Many families in our community have been affected by heart disease and heart attacks. Jump for Hearts not only raises donations to support the work of the American Heart Association in Maine, it also raises awareness in children to the benefits of exercise, diet, and a healthy lifestyle in preventing heart disease. We look forward to another successful Jump for Hearts next spring. Once again, thank you to all children and families who made this year's program such a rousing success.

Coming Fall Of 2001 Innisbrook Fund Raiser

Innisbrook Wraps presents an All-Star Lineup this fall at the Raymond Elementary and Jordan-Small Schools. Our fall Innisbrook sale will begin on September 21. Just wait until you see our All-Star Lineup!

- *Award Winning Designs
- *Great Kids Products
- *All new "Tween" Sections
- *Home Decor Collection
- *Gourmet Food and Chocolate

Innisbrook schools can also order on the web 365 days of the year at www.innisbrook.com. The Raymond Schools customer # is 104999. Families and out of town friends can order and re-order over 150 Innisbrook products on-line all summer long! A great way to buy gifts and have more time to spend on your summer. Products will be delivered right to your door and your child's school will receive the 50% profit.

Composting In The Yard

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6. Do not compost pet manure that can contain diseases or meat scraps that can attract unwanted insects or wildlife.
7. Be patient. Composting is not an exact science. The rate of decomposition will vary depending on weather conditions and materials composted. Finished compost will be pleasant smelling and crumbly to the touch. It can be used in any garden and will provide nutrients for plants and help improve the structure of the soil.

Composting With Worms

Even if you live in an apartment or have no space for a compost pile in your yard, you can still compost. All you need is a plastic storage bin and a bunch of worms.

Called Vermicomposting, composting with worms is easy and is an environmentally sound way to get rid of most kitchen wastes. Worms are voracious eaters - two pounds of worms can recycle one pound of kitchen waste in only

24 hours!

Getting started. Begin with a plastic storage bin. One that is 1'x2'x3.5' will handle the kitchen wastes from a family of six. Drill 8 to 10 one-quarter inch holes in the bottom of the bin for drainage. Cover the holes with fine nylon mesh to keep the worms from escaping. Place the bin on a tray to catch the excess moisture that will drain from the holes.

Worm bedding. Once you have your bin, add bedding for the worms. Shredded and moistened newspaper works well and will help reduce the amount of newspaper you need to recycle. Other sources of bedding include yard clippings, dead leaves, and wood shavings.

Add worms. Redworms work best. Often called red wigglers, these can be purchased from bait shops or from mail order catalogs. The number needed will depend on how much food you want to compost. The worms need a dark location with a temperature between 55 and 70 degrees. Keep the bedding moist, but not saturated.

Feeding. Worms will eat most organic materials such as kitchen wastes, yard wastes, paper, and even manure. Avoid

feeding them acidic foods such as citrus fruit, meats, and dairy products. Onions, garlic and heavily spiced foods also should be avoided. Place moist food scraps on top of the bedding. While cutting the scraps into small pieces will speed up decomposition, this is not necessary.

Harvesting the compost. After a few months, you will have enough compost to harvest. Place the bin in bright light for a few minutes until the worms have wiggled down into the bedding. Gently scrape off the compost. When finished, add new bedding material and continue feeding.

Vermicomposting can be an easy and fun way to dispose of kitchen wastes. Not only will it provide a rich source of compost for your houseplants, but it also will supply your friends who fish with a constant supply of worms!

For more information on composting and other Backyard Conservation practices, contact your local USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service and Water Conservation District office, or visit the Natural Resources Conservation Service online at <http://www.me.nrcs.usda.gov>.

Fun, Fun, Fun at the Jordan-Small Middle School Field Day

By: Mr. Boyle, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Keller

Over 200 students, staff, parents, and volunteers gathered under sunny skies for a day of team events at the Raymond Elementary School ball field. Principal Chris Elkington opened the Field Day events with the toss of a snowball from the Winter Carnival. The students enjoyed competition in: Hurdle Race, Sack Race, Three-Legged Race, and a Pie-Eating Contest. The fourth grade students from R.E.S. were invited to join the Shoe Scramble, Sponge Relay, tug-of-war and the cookout.

The field day committee would like to give a big thanks to the Raymond PTA volunteers and the Raymond School District kitchen staff for providing a cookout of delicious grilled hot dogs, chips, cookies, Popsicles, and drinks.

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

Field Day Committee- Beau Boyle, Jack Fitch, John Keller

Race Director- Beau Boyle

Race Officials- Beau Boyle, Jack Fitch, John Keller

Race Scorer- Jo Martyn-Fisher

Snacks- Sherri Reed, Vicki Gordon, Julie Orsine, Lisa Schaller, Litia Carson, Sharon Lloy

Donations- Shop n' Save, Shaw's, Wal-Mart, McDonald's, Nissen Bakery, Sysco Foods

Video / Photos- Dennis Dorey, Mary Thornton, Cindy Terry

Monitors- Deb Hutchinson, Susane Cobleigh

Banner- Kyle Gagnon, Dennis Dorey

Field Set-up / Helpers- John Keller, Beau Boyle, Jack Fitch, Randy Crockett, Mr. Dale, Phil Reynard, Patrick Woodbrey, Eddie R. , Jane Stevenson, Carrie Daggett, Brenda Stevenson, Ron and Helene Gagnon, Dean Terry, Patti Gordan

Typists- Faye Reynard, Jess Berry, Kerry Glue

Nurse- Ursula Thompson

Team Results by classroom:

Estey - 69, Hjort - 67, Feeny - 61, Taiani - 59, Cyr - 59, Taylor - 58, Fitch - 53

We would like to give a special thanks to Helene Gagnon for her tremendous efforts at the Winter Carnival and at our Field Day. With her support, these two events were a tremendous success.



Mr E prepares to throw a snowball from the Winter Carnival.



A massive tug of war was enjoyed by all.



Pie in and on face stuffing in progress.



Contestants prepare for the sack race.

North Yarmouth Academy Sports Recognition

Three Raymond students were recognized for their contributions to the sports at North Yarmouth Academy at the Spring Athletic Recognition Evening.

Renee Fortin, an eighth grader and the daughter of Gerry and Diane Fortin, received the Coach's Award for 8th grade girls lacrosse.

Matt Fortin, a junior and the son of Gerry and Diane Fortin, was voted the Most Valuable Male Player on the Outdoor Track Team and was elected to the Western Maine Conference Division II First Team. In the Class C State Championships, Matt came in 2nd in 400m and 3rd in 800m.

Bridget Gagne, an NYA senior, captain of the girls track team and the daughter of Brian and Fran Gagne, will attend Brown University in the fall. Bridget received the Most Valuable Female Player Award for Outdoor Track and the Upper School Athletic Award.

Bridget also was elected to the Western Maine Conference Girls Division II First Team and received the MVP Award for Girls Division II Running. In the Class C State Championships, Bridget came in 1st in 1600m. She set a new state record, upsetting a record that stood for 18 years, with a time of 4:59.20. Bridget also came in 1st in 800m with a new state record of 2:18.14, and 2nd in 200m. The Portland Press Herald named Bridget to the All-State Outdoor Track team and she was a Verizon All-American.

At the New England Interscholastic Outdoor Track and Field Championships, Bridget came in 3rd in 800m and 6th in 1600m.

At the USA Track and Field Junior National Championships, she came in 3rd in 1500m earning her a spot as first alternate on the US Junior National Team. She was the first high school finisher and ran a time of 4:33.23 which is the 3rd fastest time in the country this year for a high school athlete.

Note Of Thanks

There just are not enough words of thanks I can think of to extend to everyone who has been there for our kids, Roy and me with the loss of our home. We want everyone to know how appreciative and thankful we are to live in such a great community.

Even though the house and all our material possessions are gone, thankfully everyone's lives, (including our pets) were spared. They are so much more important and could never be replaced. I certainly want to extend a special thanks to the local fire departments for their efforts.

Many Thanks,
Wanda Spurling, Roy Dufour And Family

Smooth Running PC

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the most common. You do not need a program like this if you routinely "clean house" in these places. Also, keep an eye on your e-mail folders: clean them out periodically and make sure your settings say to purge discarded notes each time the e-mail program is closed.

Anti-virus program: Some years ago, vulnerability to computer "viruses" (destructive and/or invasive code) was mainly limited to office networks and to folks who shared files and programs via diskettes. Now, with the ever-increasing use of e-mail and the internet, a continually-updated anti-virus program has become one of the most important defensive tools you can have. It is so important that practically every new computer comes standardly equipped with such a program. It is vital that you follow all of the manufacturer's instructions and directives with respect to setting your anti-virus program up, including creating and periodically updating "recovery" diskettes and running regular full-system scans. It is just as important to visit the manufacturer's website every week or so for the purpose of downloading up-to-date virus "definitions" so that your anti-virus program will recognize the latest virus mutations. These websites also provide invaluable recovery information should a virus happen to slip through.