

# Boston Cane Award presented to Raymond resident Ethel P. Lawrence



Ethel P. Lawrence is the newest holder of the Boston Cane Award in the Town of Raymond. The cane is presented to the oldest resident. Ethel turned 100 on July 13<sup>th</sup> and she and her husband Ralph celebrated their 81<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>. They met in Portland in 1940 after Ethel graduated from Portland High School and were married shortly afterwards. They had four children and have many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

(Pictured) Ralph and Ethel Lawrence



**PROPERTY TAX BILLS** will be going out end of September. First half is due **October 31, 2021** and the second half payment is due **April 30th, 2022**.

## 2022 DOG LICENSES

Dog licenses for 2022 will be available at the Town Office after **October 15th** or online to avoid any wait time (there is a link in the right hand column at [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org)). The cost is \$6 for spayed/neutered and \$11 for unaltered dogs. Make sure to have on hand proof of current rabies vaccination. **The deadline is January 31, 2022 and late fees begin February 1st, 2022.**



LICENSE YOUR DOG.

## NOTICE

Regarding Homestead, Veteran, Blind & Parsonage

## EXEMPTIONS

MRSA Title 36: In determining the local assessed value of the exemption, the assessor's shall multiply the amount of the exemption by the ratio of current just value upon which the assessment is based as furnished in the assessor's annual return to the State Tax Assessor.

For the 2021-2022 assessment, the Town of Raymond certified the maximum ratio available of 92% to the State of Maine. Therefore, all exemptions noted above have been adjusted by 8% to the amounts shown on your tax bill to comply with State Law. **The adjusted amounts are as follows:**

**Homestead: \$23,000 • Veterans: \$5,520  
Blind: \$3,680 • Parsonage: \$18,400**

## DID YOU KNOW?

Be the Influence is an organization that strives to bring the community together to reduce youth substance use. Comprised of both Windham and Raymond communities with members from the RSU #14, local law enforcement agencies, town councils, the Sebago Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, prevention and counseling organizations, libraries, community organizations and the business community at large.

Check out [bethinfluencewrw.org](http://bethinfluencewrw.org) to learn more & follow them on Facebook



# RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

## TOWN OF RAYMOND – SEPTEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### Sebago Lakes Region Fuller Center for Housing and the Maine Energy AmeriCorps Program with Window Dressers **LOOKING TO HELP QUALIFIED FAMILIES!**

Are you 65 years old or older and own your own home?  
Do you lack the financial means or physical capability to make the much-needed repairs so you can remain safely in the home you love and wish to stay in?  
Do you know of anyone who might be in this situation?  
**THE SEBAGO LAKES REGION FULLER CENTER FOR HOUSING IS HERE FOR YOU AND THE ONES YOU LOVE!**  
The Fuller Center is a local non-profit organization that believes every older adult should have the option to remain safely in their home. They believe no one should be prevented, due to financial hardship or physical capabilities, from living in the home where they have lived, raised their children and made lifelong memories. **If you or someone you know needs a helping hand to make much needed repairs, call 207-387-0855 or visit [www.sebagofullerhousing.org](http://www.sebagofullerhousing.org).**

To make a donation to the local Fuller Center Chapter go to: [my.fullercenterbikeadventure.org/dbruni](http://my.fullercenterbikeadventure.org/dbruni)

### WINDOW DRESSERS COMMUNITY BUILD

October 26-30 at Unity Center for Spiritual Growth  
54 River Road, Windham

QUALIFYING HOUSEHOLDS CAN RECEIVE UP TO 10 FREE WINDOW INSULATING INSERTS.

Email: [grace.sherman@maine.edu](mailto:grace.sherman@maine.edu) to sign up to get your own insulating window inserts for the upcoming winter season!



MAINE ENERGY AMERICORPS PROGRAM

WindowDressers is a volunteer-driven non-profit organization dedicated to helping Maine residents reduce heating costs, fossil fuel consumption, and CO-2 emissions by lowering the amount of heat loss through windows

Sign up to volunteer and learn more at: [WindowDressers.org](http://WindowDressers.org)



Institute for Integrative Aging  
Saint Joseph's College of Maine

### 6-Week Writers' Workshop for Older Adults

Are you a creative writer looking for a supportive community? Have you always wanted to try your hand at a story, poem, or novel but aren't sure how to begin?

If so, please join us **Wednesdays October 6th through November 10th from 10:30-11:45am on campus.**

The workshop will be led by Dr. Wendy Galgan, Associate Professor of English at Saint Joe's, editor of *Assisi: An Online Journal of Arts & Letters*, Founder and Director of the Mid-Coast Writers Collaborative, and Founder and former Director of the Seniors' Writing Project at St. Francis College (Brooklyn, NY). **Participants will have the opportunity to share work and receive feedback from workshop members and, at the end of the 10 weeks, receive detailed feedback in writing from Dr. Galgan.**

Mark your calendars - Registration will open soon! Check [www.sjcme.edu/centers/institute-for-integrative-aging](http://www.sjcme.edu/centers/institute-for-integrative-aging) for more information and updates.

### Tassel Top Park Hours Update

New Park hours will be from 9:00 AM-6:00 PM during the month of September and will be operating with limited staff. If no one is at the Gatehouse there will be a dropbox for admissions.

Check their Facebook page for closing information.

## LIBRARY UPDATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS



Raymond Village Library

### COMMUNITY SURVEY

Your Voice Matters!

Please complete a short survey to let the Raymond Village Library know what we are doing well, where we could improve, and how we could grow our services. This survey will take approximately five minutes to complete and can be found on our website. Paper versions are also available at the library upon request.

### WEEKLY STORY TIMES ARE BACK FOR THE FALL!

#### Baby Story Time

resumes on Monday, Sept. 20th at 10:30am.

The baby group will feature short stories, songs, and a simple craft. Sessions include lap & cuddle songs, and bouncing games for ages 2 years and under.

#### Preschool Story Time

resumes on Wednesday, Sept. 22nd at 10:30am.

This group is designed for children ages 3-5 years, and will feature stories, songs and crafts.

### AUTHOR EVENTS

#### Author Talk with Jack Flowers

Saturday, September 18th at 4:00pm

Auburn-based Maine author Jack Flowers will be visiting the library to give a presentation on his book "Rat Six", the gripping, true-to-life tale of Clifford Price and his astounding venture during the Vietnam War. Jack has been described as "an engaging speaker with a compelling story to tell" who will keep everyone entertained and asking questions throughout the event! We are pleased to host him at the Raymond Village Library, where he will have his book available for purchase during the event. (Hardcover: \$36.95; Paperback: \$24.95)

Please contact the library to register for this program by calling 207-655-4283 or emailing [rachel.holden@raymondvillagelibrary.org](mailto:rachel.holden@raymondvillagelibrary.org)

#### Author Talk & Book Signing with Katie Lattari

Saturday, October 30th at 2pm

Join us for a Halloween-weekend author event! Maine author Katie Lattari will talk about her debut thriller, "Dark Things I Adore", which will be published on September 16th! "Dark Things I Adore, set near Moosehead Lake, is described as a "stunning Gone Girl-esque tale of atonement" and a "searing thriller of trauma, dark academia, complicity, and revenge [that] unravels the realities behind campfire legends - the horrors that happen in the dark, the girls who become cautionary tales, and the guilty who go unpunished. Until now."

FMI about Katie and her new book release, visit [katielattari.com](http://katielattari.com). Please contact the library to register for this program by calling 207-655-4283 or emailing [rachel.holden@raymondvillagelibrary.org](mailto:rachel.holden@raymondvillagelibrary.org)

#### Dance Group Cosmic Creation

Tuesday, September 28th

Join us at RVL for a special outdoor Dance Performance by fusion dance group "Cosmic Creation" (weather permitting). Call the library 207-655-4283 for more info & to pre-register for this event.



## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

THE TOWN OF RAYMOND HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS FOR:

**Full-time Paramedic/FF to join our Public Safety Department.** THESE POSITIONS ARE SCHEDULED ON 24 HOUR ROTATING SHIFTS.

Also, per diem and on call shifts are available.

The qualified applicant must be experienced with an excellent work history, self-motivated and hold a clean valid Maine Driver's license. Current Maine Paramedic License and Firefighting Certifications are required. Must successfully pass the Fit for Duty physical test & a complete background check.

### Part time Videographer

to record committee and Selectmen meetings. Most meetings are held in the evening although occasionally some may be during the day.

The candidate must be willing to learn to run a fully digital IPTV broadcast studio. The IPTV station consists of a custom studio control PC and a station control server. The studio control PC runs VMIX live production and streaming software and a fully digital Motu sound mixer. The station control server runs Avmeda broadcast automation software which supports two PEG cable channels (Public and Education).

The server also streams live and prerecorded events to YouTube. Previous experience with video broadcast and a good knowledge of the Windows PC environment are essential.

The Town of Raymond offers a competitive salary as well as a comprehensive employee benefit package for full-time employees.

For application and job descriptions go to [www.raymondmaine.org](http://www.raymondmaine.org)

Send resume, application, and cover letter to:

Rita M Theriault, Human Resource Officer

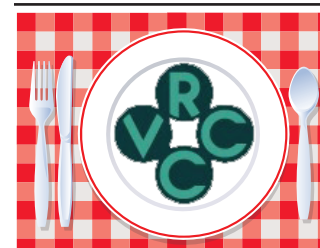
401 Webbs Mills Road, Raymond, Maine 04071

or electronically to: [rita.theriault@raymondmaine.org](mailto:rita.theriault@raymondmaine.org)

207-655-4742 ext 123

POSITIONS OPEN UNTIL FILLED

The Town of Raymond is an EOE.



### Raymond Village Community Church POT ROAST SUPPER

October 9, 2021

Order ahead for pick up between 5:00 and 6:30pm  
27 Main Street, Raymond

Menu: Pot roast and gravy, potatoes, green beans, carrots, a roll, and a brownie for \$12. Meals are take-out only. Please order in advance as it is unlikely that extra meals will be available. To order your meals please call 655-7749 and leave a message with your name, number of meals and time you will pick up. Or send an e-mail to [office@rvccme.org](mailto:office@rvccme.org) with the information. Meals will be hot and ready to take home!

**Don't miss it - it's the last meal planned this year!**

## EARN MONEY FOR OUR SCHOOLS!

It is easier than ever to help earn money for Jordan Small Middle School and Raymond Elementary School!

You can download the Box Top App, scan your receipts, collect your earnings, and the money automatically goes to the school of your choice.

You can also send your box tops (old style only) to school with your children or to Raymond PTO, PO Box 654, Raymond, ME 04071.

All of the money raised goes toward field trips, school supplies and scholarships!

THE OLD BOX TOPS CLIPS



THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS

