



ALEXANDRIA TODAY OCTOBER 2016 EDITION

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Recycling Committee 10/16



Recycling is contagious; You set the example, and others will follow

Money in our Pockets

August savings excluding glass and aluminum cans [none transported to vendor] were (\$197). This puts our total year to date savings for the year at just over \$650. Our outlook for the remainder of 2017 has not changed; we expect that we'll see some fluctuation from month to month depending on prices fetched for aluminum, copper, and scrap metal; however, we're not looking for any major changes before the end of the year. We are continuing to keep a close eye on the market for glass. As more uses for recycled glass are developed, the demand should increase, and the price paid by the vendors for glass should also increase. The recycling market will rebound, but until it does, we need to be mindful of the important role each of us plays in protecting our environment and preserving our precious non-renewable resources. Your continued enthusiasm and support of your recycling program is greatly appreciated – recycling does have a positive impact and benefits all of us.

Everyone Does Make a Difference

I'm always interested in companies' innovative efforts to curb pollution and protect our resources through new products generated from recycled materials. Discarded plastics that eventually end up polluting our oceans pose a tremendous threat to our aquatic wildlife and the purity of our oceans. It was recently reported by the MacArthur Foundation that there will be more plastic [by weight] than fish in our oceans by 2050. Here are five companies that have broken through with new products in 2016 that will help to slow the plastic pollution of our oceans:

- **Adidas** will start showcasing sleek, ocean-friendly designs. Last year, Adidas partnered with **Parley for the Oceans**, an organization that provides a platform for designers, to focus on creating inventive, sustainable new products. The Adidas x Parley, which hits the market later this year, will be made from recycled plastic recovered from the ocean that is run through a 3-D printer to create a stylish running shoes.
- **Saltwater Brewery** located in Florida created an Edible Six Pack Ring, a potential replacement for its plastic cousin. These digestible rings are made from barley and other natural materials, so they are biodegradable and sea life can safely eat them.
- **Pharrell Williams**, the singer turned fashion designer, newly released clothing line, RAW for the Oceans, is helping turn ocean plastic into wearable fashion. The line is part of his larger **G-Star RAW** clothing collection, which is made using a four-step process that takes plastics found along shorelines worldwide and breaks them down into a weavable clothing fiber called Bionic Yarn, a product cofounded by Williams. The music star's new ocean-centric line includes trendy jeans, graphic tees and modern kimonos.
- **SPARK**, an international architectural design firm, hopes to repurpose plastic ocean garbage into brightly colored, solar-powered beach huts along Singapore's East Coast Park. The huts will utilize recycled high-density polyethylene plastic—known for its flexibility—from the South Pacific Garbage Patch [an area in the South Pacific Ocean where plastic waste collects] to create the "scales" that make up each hut's artichoke-shaped outer shell.
- **Method**, a cleaning-products company, offers a dish and hand soap housed in plastic recovered from our oceans. Method recovers plastic from the ocean and from Hawaii's beaches. The plastic is then recycled to make bottles to hold its various soaps. I should also add that Method's soap products are largely biodegradable and Method uses wind energy to power its factory and production lines.

Tip of the Month

Those of us with glass shower doors know the struggle in keeping them shining. You got 'em because they're clear and pretty and visually spacious; however, a week goes by, and they're splotchy and filmy with soap scum. Saturday morning finds you inhaling fumes trying to clean them. There's a better way; you can use a dryer sheet. You need 1 dryer sheet - that's all. It's alright if it's already been used so don't throw out those used sheets after you remove the clothes from the dryer. Dampen the sheet with water, and lightly wipe your shower door and walls. Dryer sheets contain ingredients that are designed to soften fabrics. Those very same ingredients coincidentally soften soap scum, so it easily lifts right off the glass without hard scrubbing.

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Reusing Makes Good ¢



Use several tools in combination to create a unique trellis



A broken Hoe makes a shelf for candles, plants or knickknacks



Attach a bird house to a broken shovel



An old 25' garden hose can be used to make a decorative wreath; for year round use change floral decorations each season



A broken shovel makes a great backing for house number or name

Source: <http://cooldiyideas.com/25-amazing-ways-to-repurpose-old-garden-tools>

Comments and suggestions are welcome, and can be submitted via email to: steve.whitman@hotmail.com; with the author's permission, comments may be printed in subsequent issues.



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Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Who can register to vote?

New Hampshire residents who will be 18 years of age or older on the day of the next election, and a United States citizen. There is no minimum period of time you are required to have lived in the state before being allowed to register. You may register as soon as you move into your new community.

Where and how do I register to vote?

- 1) You may apply to your town or city clerk's office. You will be required to fill out a standard voter registration form. Deadline for registering to vote at the Alexandria Town Clerk's office before the November 8th election is October 27th at 4:00 pm. The Town Clerk's Office is located at 47 Washburn Road, Alexandria.
- 2) You may also register with your community's Supervisors of the Checklist. The Alexandria Supervisors of the Checklist will be meeting on Saturday, October 29th from 11:00 to 11:30 am at the Old Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road, Alexandria.
- 3) Qualified individuals may register to vote at the polling place on election day at all elections.

No matter when or where you register to vote, you will be required to fill out a standard voter registration form, and you will be asked to show proof of identity, age, citizenship, and domicile. These qualifications may be established by signing affidavit(s).

Requests for ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Absentee ballots are available from your town or city clerk approximately 30 days prior to an election. Request the absentee ballot application from the clerk; or, if you wish, you may submit a request in writing which should include all the information that is required on the application. Don't forget your name, voting address, mailing address and your signature. An *application* for an absentee ballot may be transmitted by facsimile to a town or city clerk (Alexandria Town Clerk fax#603-744-8577).

Return of ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Clerks may accept completed absentee ballots submitted in person by the voter until 5:00 p.m. the day before an election. A voter's absentee ballot may also be returned in person by the voter's parent, spouse, sibling or child to the town clerk. The person returning the absentee ballot shall complete a form and provide proper ID before the clerk will accept the ballot. Also, absentee ballots will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on election day if received through the mail and postmarked. **NEVER** leave a completed absentee ballot in a box, on a desk, or slipped through the clerk's window or door. A marked absentee ballot **may NOT** be transmitted by facsimile to a town or city clerk.



GENERAL ELECTION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2016

8:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Old Town Hall, 45 Washburn Road

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Highway Department

Work will begin on the middle bridge on Brook Road on September 26, 2016 and will not be complete until sometime in November. During that time, the bridge will be closed. Brook Road will be open up to the bridge (from Mount Cardigan Road to Kummerer Road and from Fowler River Road to past Copatch Road).

Emergency Management

The Emergency Operations Plan has been updated and is available for review on the town's website on the Emergency Management page or in the Selectmen's Office. If you have any questions regarding the Emergency Operations Plan, please email alexandrianh@metrocast.net.

If you would like to volunteer in the event of an emergency, there is a Volunteer Registration Form available on our website or in the Selectmen's office. Completed forms can be dropped off in the Selectmen's Office or emailed to alexandrianh@metrocast.net.

Would you need special assistance in an emergency? It's important for you or a loved one to advise the town's first responders so that in the event of a natural disaster, man-made disaster, emergency or "shelter in place" so they will be better able to assist you. The Emergency Management Director, Alexandria Fire Chief and Health Officer have made available an Access and Functional Needs Form. This form is available in the Selectmen's office and on the town's website. This information will be kept confidential and used for local official use only in the event of an emergency. Examples of assistance may be medical/pharmaceutical, maintaining independence, transportation and notification of person(s) or relatives to assist you.

Community Events



HAYNES LIBRARY

Open on Mondays from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
33 Washburn Road, Alexandria, NH 03222 (603) 744-6529

"Teach Our Children Well"

The trust about drugs
Newfound Regional High School
October 19th 6:30 to 8:30 pm
FREE and open to ALL ADULTS

You are invited to tour a "mock teenage bedroom" that has over 80 hidden warning signs of risky teen behaviors. Melissa Fernald, Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Master Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor will also provide an "eye-opening" presentation on drug trends, slang terms and information to inspire good parent/child communication. Information is power! You will leave this important event with new insights and tools to protect your children and family from the harms of substance use.

33rd Annual TTCC Apple Festival & Craft Fair



Saturday, October 8th from 9am-3pm – TTCC, 30 North Main St, Bristol, NH

Homemade Apple Pies & Baked Goods - Home Baked Beans & Fresh Bread
Fresh Apple Pie a-la-mode!

Pies can be pre-ordered by calling the TTCC at 744-2713 by 10/7 Order for the Holidays!

HUGE CRAFT FAIR! -The gym will be full of crafters for early Christmas Shopping!
We are looking for help on Friday, 10/7 between 9am-4pm to cut apples and prepare pies Also looking for donations of Flour & Sugar! If you can give any time, please call us at 744-2713.



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, October 25th 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Our Lady of Grace Chapel, 2 West Shore Road, Bristol, NH

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Monday, October 10th Columbus Day – Town Offices Closed

Office Hours

Selectmen's Office – 744-3220

Monday: 8 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 11 am to 6 pm
Wednesday: 8 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 8 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Town Clerk/ Tax Collector – 744-3288

Monday: 9 am to 4 pm
Tuesday: 9 am to 7 pm
Wednesday: 9 am to 4 pm
Thursday: 9 am to 4 pm
Friday: CLOSED

Transfer Station

Monday: 8 am to 12 pm
Wednesday: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm

Police Department 744-6650

Chief Donald Sullivan
When dispatcher picks up, give dispatcher your message. They will page an officer on the radio. Cell phones are not reliable locally.

Highway Department – 744-6516

Jeff Cantara, Road Agent

Planning Board – 744-8986

Deliberative Meetings: 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm, 6pm during winter months (November thru March)
Open 1 hour prior to meeting.
Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.

Town Committees/Commissions

Conservation Commission

The Conservation Commission meets the 4th Wednesday of the month in the conference room at the municipal building.

To contact the Conservation Commission:

e-mail: alexandrianh@metrocast.net

Phone: 603-744-3220

Mail: 47 Washburn Road

Alexandria, NH 03222

Recycling Committee

Please send your suggestions, tips, and comments to: steve.whitman@metrocast.net or call 744-3596. Thank you for recycling.

A Reminder: Anyone wishing to receive electronic copies of committee business conducting electronically or meeting minutes can do so by providing me with an email address. Sent to:

alexandrianh@metrocast.net

FIRE PERMITS

Category I & II fire permits can be obtained in the Selectmen's Office (603-744-3220), but you will need to provide a copy of the previous year's permit in order to get a permit for the current year.

All other burn permits are available from the following:

Fire Warden: Mark Chevalier 603-455-1591

Deputy Fire Wardens:

Dave Ogden 603-744-9056

Jeff Cantara 603-744-6516

Tom Moore 603-744-6516

Or contact: Robert Duquette, George Clayman, Fran Butler, Ken Patten, Fred Platts

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Meetings are held in the Conference Room at the Municipal Building unless otherwise noted.*

Tuesday, October 4, 2016:

Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, October 11, 2016:

Budget Committee Meeting at 6:00 pm with the Selectmen and the following departments: Highway Department

Tuesday, October 18, 2016:

Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm

Wednesday, October, 19, 2016:

Planning Board at 7:00 pm

Tuesday, October 25, 2016:

Budget Committee Meeting at 6:00 pm with the Selectmen and the following departments: Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Police Department

Wednesday, October 26, 2016:

Conservation Commission at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, November 1, 2016:

Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm

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