



# ALEXANDRIA TODAY MAY 2018 EDITION

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## Conservation Commission

The Alexandria Conservation Commission is sponsoring its 4<sup>th</sup> annual amateur photo contest, with the 2018 theme “All Seasons in Alexandria”. Contestants may submit up to four photographs depicting anything relevant to the scenes and activities during various seasons of the year. People at work sugaring, swimming, boating on the lake, fishing, ice fishing, haying, stacking logs, skiing, beautiful barns and homes, scenes throughout the town, antique snowmobiles – there can be so much more! Shuffle through your old photos, or take some new ones as the seasons pass.

Photos may now be submitted throughout the year, if you choose. Photos must be taken within the Alexandria town limits. Photographers don't need to be residents of Alexandria to participate. Contest winners will be announced at a reception in November. In addition to three overall winners, twelve photographs are selected to appear in the 2019 Alexandria Conservation Commission Calendar, which will be available for sale in time for Christmas. Calendars are sold at the Alexandria town office building or from any member of the Conservation Commission. Look for more details in upcoming town newsletters and local papers! Photos from the 2017 contest are still on display in the Selectmen's Office.

Photos can be submitted to: [alexandrianh@metrocast.net](mailto:alexandrianh@metrocast.net) with subject: ACC photo contest or bring in an 8x10 print, color or black and white. Please identify your photo with your name, contact information, and location of photo.

## Town Clerk/Tax Collector

### DOG LICENSES

All Dog Licenses expired on April 30!

Every owner or keeper of a dog 4 months old or older shall register the dog annually with the town clerk. At the time of registration the owner will receive a metal tag with the following information - name of the town, year of the issue of the license and its registered number. This tag is to be affixed to the dog's collar. Regardless of when the license is obtained, it shall be effective from May 1 of each year to April 30 of the subsequent year. To prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month, please renew your dog license by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to license your dog by mail, please send a check payable to: TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA.



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2018 Dog Licenses are NOW AVAILABLE.

Dog Fees are as follows:

Puppy (Up to Seven Months)	\$6.50
Spayed or Neutered	\$6.50
Unaltered Male/Female	\$9.00
Senior(Dog owned by Senior Citizen, 1 <sup>st</sup> dog only)	\$2.00
Group (5 dog minimum)	\$20.00
Mail-In Fee (Per Dog)	\$1.00

**Vaccination Required** - Before a license is issued the owner or keeper of the dog, must furnish verification that the dog has been vaccinated against rabies. If a valid rabies certificate is on file with the clerk, the owner shall not be required to produce such verification at the time of license.



### Recycling Committee 05/18

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



### Money in our Pockets

Earth Day was April 22nd and Arbor Day the 27th; days set aside to reflect on helping our community, the state, and, in fact, the world, survive. Recycling is part of that effort and has a prolonged impact on all our futures. Saving a tree is as important as planting a new one; perhaps even more so, as it takes some tree years to reach maturity. For every ton of paper recycled, we save 17 mature trees. Celebrate these special days throughout the year by educating family members and friends about recycling or cleaning up and recycling trash in your community - the opportunities to make a real difference are endless. The Alexandria Conservation Commission has monthly “Clean Up/Work” days the 1st Saturday of each month; everyone is welcome - meet at the Municipal building at 9:45am. Contact any member of the commission for more details, or just show up.

Meeting minutes, newsletters, alerts and other helpful information is updated on the Town's website on a regular basis.

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The numbers for March have been adjusted to reflect the 2018 pricing structures, which includes a newly calculated cost associated with hauling and processing waste in the solid waste compactor, which is now at \$151/ton. Your recycling efforts have saved us \$3152 through March. In the month of April, we already have received \$1380 in revenue, which will be included with next month's figures. Your continued use of your recycling program saves us money over the long haul and has a positive impact.

### What's New at the Transfer Station?



Some of you may have read that Bristol is no longer accepting glass as a recyclable material in their 'single stream' recycling bins; residents have been asked to separate glass out. The reason is because the hauler with whom they are contracted, as of May 1st, will begin charging them \$120/ton to haul their recyclables, and glass makes up a considerable portion [weight wise] of their recyclables.

As you know, Alexandria currently collects all glass waste in a separate container, and by doing so saves us about \$85/ton. Our savings are calculated based on the cost to haul and process the waste in the compactor [non-recyclable materials - \$151/ton] as compared to hauling and processing the glass [\$65/ton]. For us, at the moment anyway, recycling glass saves us money; however, with the new restrictions placed on the 'quality' of recyclable materials accepted by China, and the recent closure of the glass bottle manufacturing plant in Medford, MA that provided a local market for recycled glass, that cost may increase in the coming months.

The good news is that more and more uses for "crushed" glass are being developed every day. Many of these new uses don't require the same level of sorting that is currently required [for example mixed colors are allowed if the glass is to be used as a substitute for sand in road beds, and not to manufacture a new glass bottle]. Research by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers indicates processed glass aggregate is as good, or better than, gravel in terms of "frost susceptibility," or the ability to cope with the expansion and contraction of freezing water during winter. Currently glass aggregate is used in road construction and as fill around culverts. "It can be used in public works and other construction systems, including materials for bedding for pipes, and filler around retaining walls and foundations," said Jaime Colby from the solid waste division of the Department of Environmental Services.

For Alexandria, our program is working, and although savings have decreased over the past few years, because of increasing costs, it continues to save us money and have a positive impact on our natural resources and the environment.

### Everyone Does Make a Difference



There is no doubt that recycling is a team effort. While individuals are taking extra steps to reduce, reuse, and recycle the products they use every day, businesses must do the same. Here are four companies that are stepping up to the challenge and taking positive steps to address the issue; please consider showing your support by patronizing these companies and using their products.

**Method**, a manufacturer of environmentally friendly cleaning products for the home, has made a new name for itself in the realm of recycling. The company is looking to reduce the amount of plastic that ends up in the ocean by working with groups who remove plastic from Hawaii's shores and recycling these materials into eco-friendly bottles. In collaboration with Envision Plastics, Method has developed its innovative Ocean Plastic 2-in-1 Dish + Hand Soap bottle, which uses both ocean plastic and other post-consumer materials. These biodegradable bottles are the first of their kind to use ocean plastic as their main component.

**Adidas** is another company that is tackling ocean plastic pollution. Adidas has developed a line of sustainable footwear called the Parley series. As of May 2017, the line includes three versions of the company's UltraBoost shoe, which is made of reclaimed ocean plastic. By the end of the year, Adidas hopes to manufacture one million of these shoes. The UltraBoost shoe requires 11 plastic bottles to make - this helps remove 11 million plastic bottles from the ocean.

**Nike** is shrinking its environmental impact by transforming old sneakers into a new material called Nike Grind. Made of recycled polyester and other reused substances, this new, sustainable material is now used in nearly three-quarters of all Nike products. In addition, the company uses Nike Grind to create durable running tracks, tennis courts, and other surface coverings. Those looking to support Nike in their sustainability efforts may participate by donating their old, worn-out shoes through the company's Reuse-A-Shoe program at Nike factory stores in either the Tilton or North Conway outlet malls.

**Levi's** is working with clothing collection firm I:CO to offer a one-of-a-kind recycling garment program. People who wish to dispose of their old clothing and footwear—whether Levi's brand or not—may take their unwanted items to any of the



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company's U.S. stores. In return for their donation, they receive a coupon that awards them 20 percent off their next Levi's store purchase. I:CO collects the used clothing and shoes and prepares them for recycling if they cannot be reused.



As always, creative ideas for recycling or reusing items and interesting articles or websites offering recycling ideas are always welcome; as are comments and suggestions about the newsletter articles. Please submitted your comments via email to: [steve.whitman@hotmail.com](mailto:steve.whitman@hotmail.com); be sure to state "recycling material" in the subject. In some cases, with the author's permission, comments may be printed in subsequent issues. Thank you all for your continued support; thanks to you our program is working.

## Selectmen's Office

### Low & Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief Program:

Applications for the Low & Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief Form (DP-8) will be **available after May 1, 2018**. The Low & Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief program was designed to lessen the economic burden of the State Education Property Tax on certain at-risk taxpayers.

An eligible applicant for the Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief is a person who is:

- Single with adjusted gross income equal to or less than \$20,000; or
- Married or head of NH household with adjusted gross income less than or equal to \$40,000; and
- Owns a homestead subject to the State Education Property Tax; and
- Has resided in that homestead on April 1 of the year for which the claim is made.

Applications for the Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief are accepted only during the statutory filing period - after May 1, but no later than June 30. The law allows 120 days for processing from the date of receipt of your completed application. For more information, visit <http://www.revenue.nh.gov/assistance/low-moderate.htm>.

If you need help completing the forms, please visit the Selectmen's Office and someone will assist you.

## Police Department

Alexandria PD stats for the first quarter (January - March) of 2018:

There were 11 Arrests

with charges for Animal Cruelty, Assault, Body Art-License Required, Breach of Bail, Criminal Threatening & Witness Tampering, Domestic Violence, Drug & Alcohol, DUI, Misuse of 911, Theft, & Warrants

In addition there were 88 calls for service

Animal Complaints, Assist Fire/ EMS/ Other Agency, Assist Citizen, Civil Matter/ Standby, Fingerprints, Lost/ Found Property

Motor Vehicle, Police Information, Pistol Permits, Paperwork Service, Sex Offender Registration, Suspicious Incident/ Person/ Vehicle, VIN Check, Welfare/ Well Being Check

## Other Local Events/Organizations



### 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

GIVE BLOOD



SAVE LIFE

### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

New Hampton Safety Complex – 26 Intervale Dr, New Hampton, NH  
Thursday, May 10, 2018 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2018 – 2019 SCHOOL YEAR

The Newfound Area School District will hold its annual Kindergarten Connection for all children who will be entering kindergarten in August 2018.

- Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup> for children residing in New Hampton (744-3221)
- Wednesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> for children residing in Danbury (768-3434)
- Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> for children residing in Bristol & Alexandria (744-2761)
- Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> for children residing in Bridgewater/Groton/Hebron (744-6969)

If you have a child who will be five years old on or before September 30, 2018, please call the school in the town you reside as soon as possible. Appointment times and registration packets will be mailed to all parents with kindergarten eligible students.

**Note:** Children who reside in Alexandria will attend either the Bristol Elementary School or the Bridgewater-Hebron Village School. Determination is made according to physical address. You may contact either school for more information.

### Office Hours

<p><b>Selectmen's Office – 744-3220</b>  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</p> <p><b>Town Clerk/ Tax Collector – 744-3288</b>  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</p>	<p><b>Transfer Station</b>  Monday: 8 am to 12 pm  Wednesday: 10:00 am to 6:00 pm  Saturday: 8 am to 4 pm</p> <p><b>Police Department 744-6650</b>  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.</p>	<p><b>Highway Department – 744-6516</b>  Jeff Cantara, Road Agent</p> <p><b>Planning Board – 744-8986</b>  <i>Deliberative Meetings:</i> 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7pm, 6pm during winter months (November thru March)  Open 1 hour prior to meeting.  Chair, Maggie LaBerge  <i>Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.</i></p>
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### Town Committees/Commissions

<p><b>Conservation Commission</b>  The Conservation Commission meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month in the conference room at the municipal building.  To contact the Conservation Commission:  e-mail: <a href="mailto:alexandrianh@metrocast.net">alexandrianh@metrocast.net</a>  Phone: 603-744-3220  Mail: 47 Washburn Road  Alexandria, NH 03222</p>	<p><b>Recycling Committee</b>  Please send your suggestions, tips, and comments to: <a href="mailto:steve.whitman@metrocast.net">steve.whitman@metrocast.net</a> 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: <a href="mailto:alexandrianh@metrocast.net">alexandrianh@metrocast.net</a></p>
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### BURN PERMITS

**Burn permits can now be obtained online - <http://www.nhfirepermit.com/>**

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:

Alexandria Fire Department: 603-744-3165  
Fire Warden: George Clayman 603-254-7345  
Deputy Fire Wardens:  
Thomas Moore 603-744-5386  
Robert Duquette 603-744-9819  
David Ogden 603-744-9056  
Fred Platts 603-744-2190

### UPCOMING MEETINGS:

*\*Please check website for up-to-date meeting schedule\**

Tuesday, May 1, 2018: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm  
Tuesday, May 15, 2018: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm  
Wednesday, May 16, 2018: Planning Board Meeting at 6:00 pm  
Tuesday, May 29, 2018: Selectmen's Meeting at 6:00 pm  
Wednesday, May 30, 2018: Conservation Commission Meeting at 6:30 pm

All meetings are held in the Conference Room at the Municipal Building (47 Washburn Road) and open to the public unless otherwise noted. Selectmen: All appointments and agenda items for Selectmen's meetings must be submitted to the Selectmen's Office by 4:00 pm the Thursday before the meeting. The Selectmen hold work sessions as needed at 5:00 pm prior to the meetings.

Planning Board: Items to be included on the agenda must be received 21 days prior to the meeting.

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