

IMPORTANT EVENT DATES

April 1-28 Anchorage Can Challenge (Cans for Cash City Recycling Challenge)

All the aluminum cans you recycle between April 1st and 28th will count toward the contest.



April 21 Scoop the Poop Day

See details on page 5.

April 22 Earth Day

Celebrate Earth Day by visiting <http://act.earthday.org> to register your planned community events and your individual actions as part of the Earth Day Network's "A Billion Acts of Green" campaign.

April 28 National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

See details on page 5.

May 12-19 Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Citywide Cleanup Week

For 44 years, the Anchorage Chamber has organized this week-long program bringing together local businesses, organizations, schools, and the Municipality of Anchorage to rid the city's streets and neighborhoods of litter. Visit www.citywidecleanup.org for event details.

May 18 Bike to Work Day (Bike to Work Week – May 14-18)

Be sure to bike to work on Bike to Work Day. Register as an individual or a team at www.muni.org/BiketoWorkDay. Take the post-event survey to win prizes. Sign your workplace or club up for a "smart cycling" class, hosted by local instructors trained using League of American Bicyclist curriculum.

May 19 Creek Cleanup

See details on page 5.

August 18 Nursery Pot Recycling Drop-off Event

Start saving your nursery pots now and drop them off for recycling on Saturday, August 18, from 10am to 5pm, at the Alaska Botanical Garden (off Campbell Airstrip Road, 1 block S. of Tudor). Two categories of pots taken: 1) #2 HDPE pots and 2) #5 PP, #6 PS, and #7 Other pots, cell packs, and trays. Businesses -- call ALPAR at 644-7968 for special instructions for recycling directly at the Anchorage Recycling Center the week prior. Visit www.alparalaska.com for details.

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A Hometown Story: Anchorage's Youth Litter Patrol Program

Since 1984, ALPAR's Youth Litter Patrols have picked up litter throughout the summer. During the 2011 season, the Boys and Girls Clubs and the Alaska Military Youth Academy picked up more than 1,230 bags of litter from Anchorage roadways, trails, and public spaces. The patrols also recycled aluminum cans and plastic bottles. Participating teens work hard and, for many, this may be their first job. The teens learn good work skills as they help keep our city beautiful. ALPAR and the Youth Litter Patrols look forward to a great 2012 season and a cleaner, greener Anchorage. The program is made possible through grants from Solid Waste Services and ALPAR.



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