



~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~

JANUARY 2020

Athol, A New Direction

**ATHOL ELEMENTARY  
IN JANUARY**

- January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 -School Resumes-10am
- January 10<sup>th</sup> - Movie Night 6:00pm
- January 13<sup>th</sup> -PTU Meeting - 6pm
- January 15<sup>th</sup> - Geographic Bee-4th-6th grades -9am
- January 20<sup>th</sup> Closed for Martin Luther King Day
- January 24<sup>th</sup>-NO SCHOOL(End of 2nd quarter)teacher workday

**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

@ 7:00 PM 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues.  
CITY HALL - 30355 N. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
208-683-2101

**Clerk/Treasurer Office Hours:**  
Monday - Thursday 9:00-4:30pm  
Fridays 8:30am- 12:30 pm

**Future Council Meeting Dates:**

- January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020
- February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020
- March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020
- May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020
- June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

City website:

**[www.cityofathol.us](http://www.cityofathol.us)**

Mayor:

**William "Bill" Hill**

City Council:

**Pam Baldwin  
Shane McDaniel  
Josh Spencer  
Cindi Denis**

City Attorney:

**Caitlin Kling**

City Clerk/Treasurer:

**Lori Yarbrough**

Deputy City Clerk:

**Tanya Ziegler**

Public Works/Water Operator:

**Anthony Brandt**



**There will be "NO" Senior Lunch gatherings until further notice.**

**If you are interested in taking the lead in this group please contact City Hall at 208-683-2101.**

**Thank You.**

**Idaho drivers must provide proof of insurance to DMV, or have registration suspended, as new law takes effect in 2020**

Posted on November 13, 2019 by Jennifer Gonzalez

Vehicle owners will need to provide proof of insurance for two consecutive months or risk having their registration suspended beginning in 2020.

The law (Idaho Code Section 49-1234) was passed during the 2019 Idaho legislative session and goes into effect in January. It requires the Idaho Transportation Department's Division of Motor Vehicles to determine monthly whether the owner of a vehicle has insurance. The law applies only to non-commercial vehicles and excludes trailers and off-highway vehicles.

A notification letter will be sent to affected vehicle owners to alert them of the law change. Owners without insurance coverage for two consecutive months will receive a warning and be given 30 days to provide proof of insurance or obtain an exemption before their registration is suspended.

To reinstate a suspended registration, owners will need to provide proof of insurance and pay a fee of \$75. Some vehicles are exempt from this mandate. For a full list of frequently asked questions, please visit [itd.idaho.gov/driveidaho](http://itd.idaho.gov/driveidaho)



# Goodbye from your outgoing Mayor, Mary Zichko



January 7<sup>th</sup> will be my last day serving the citizens of Athol as your Mayor. I wanted to thank those who have voted for me over the years. I was President of the Council for 5 years and was appointed Mayor for a year; I will miss serving the people of Athol. I also will no longer hold Senior Meetings or do the Neighborhood Watch Program as I will be enjoying my time with family and be traveling.

I wish everyone a Happy Holiday and a great New Year.  
**Mayor, Mary J Zichko**



## Timberlake Fire Protection District would like to thank Commissioners Robyn Edwards and Shane Stavros for their time serving the district.

- Commissioner Stavros has been a commissioner since January of 2016, completing a full term of four years.
- Commissioner Edwards filled a vacancy in December of 2016 and served three years with the district.

Thank you, commissioners, for your time and dedication to Timberlake Fire!



## Athol Library in January 208-683-2979

**NOTE:** The Athol Library closed: Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King Day.

### KID & TEEN PROGRAMS: Regular programs are back at the Athol Library!

**Little Renaissance Kids Tuesdays 10:30 AM** – stories, songs, and activities for ages 2-6.

**It Club! Tuesdays 4 PM** – The afterschool program for grades K-5th that does it all. Each week is a different theme – build, art, make, or science.

**Imagination Explorers Wednesday Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM** – Join other home school and online students as we explore space. Geared for K – 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Imagination Explorers TEENS Wednesday Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 11:30 AM** – Join our first ever time just for teens (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>). This will be an informal session to talk and get to know each other. Ms. Bethany would like to hear what you are interested in for upcoming programs.

**Free to Be: Teen Hangout Wednesday Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 4 PM** – Join other teens (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) for Minute to Win It games. Fun time to laugh and relax.

**Lego Club Wednesday Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> 4 PM** – All ages welcome but geared for K-6<sup>th</sup>. Come for a MARBLE-ous time.

**Coding for Early Learners Saturday Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 11 AM** – Early coding = Early literacy. You will not want to miss this special event! This will be hands on fun for the kids. They will get to play with robots and each child who attends will receive a FREE book. Geared for ages 2-6.



**ADULT & FAMILY PROGRAMS:**

**What the Craft! - Wednesday, January 22 @ 4:00-5:30pm.** We'll be making Valentine cards! Call to sign up.

**ABC Garden Group –Thursday, January 2, 6:30-8:30pm.** Join this group of committed gardeners as we talk about everything garden related. This month's topic to be determined, but sure to be fascinating!

**Bayview Book Group - Wednesday, January 15 @ 4:00-6:00pm.** We will be discussing The Day the World Came to Town by Jim DeFede.

**Memory Box- Creating a Memory Legacy - Thursday, January 16 4:00-6:00pm.** Explore the power of memory with Virginia Taft. Virginia will share her Memory Box journey and lead attendees through writing exercises designed to inspire the power of their own memories.

**Spelling Bee – Saturday, January 25, 1:00-3:00pm.** Adults and Kids, Athol Library Bee will be held at the Community Center. Spirit Lake, Rathdrum and Post Falls Libraries will have their library Bee's, and the final competition will be in February! Come show off your spelling smarts and help Athol win!

**Did you know . . .** that Winter has arrived. Please take a few minutes to remove any personal items left in the city right-of-way. Items left in the right-of-way are there at your own risk. Cars, trucks, boats, trailers, misc. items, all need to be removed for plowing.



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**Reversing Diabetes Seminar**

January 5, 12, 19, 26 February 2, 9 Sundays Time: 5:00pm- 7:00pm

Location: Athol Community Center 30355 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

For more information call Bill at 208-818-8108

Classes are designed for individuals who are diabetic or pre-diabetic, or anyone wishing to incorporate lifestyle changes to improve overall health and find help with many chronic diseases.

- \* Live so medications and insulin can be reduced or eliminated
- \* Reverse the complications of diabetes, such as cardiovascular disease
- \* Reduce or eliminate neuropathy pain
- \* Lose weight without being hungry

Thousands have reversed Type II Diabetes in as little as 3 weeks! The Grundy Reversing Diabetes program is proven effective, based on the latest scientific research, and is physician approved.

To register and more info call Bill 208-818-5140





# The ABC Food Bank wishes to Thank you for giving this year!

Approx. 200 Food Boxes went out each, for Thanksgiving & Christmas.

There were over 200 kids who received gifts this year through the Sharing Tree. Thanks for the many generous donations provided by countless clubs, groups, businesses and local individuals. Athol really is a great community to call home; neighbors helping neighbors.

We should all take a minute to say

Thank you to Charlotte Hooper for her tireless efforts in organizing these events year after year.



Thank you, Athol Chamber of Commerce, for organizing such a wonderful community event.

The City with the help of the Little Miss Athol 2019 Princesses enjoyed hosting some games, the Library gave out free books, the Athol Baptist church had free coffee, cocoa and popcorn. While our local Super One Manager Randy, along with the Athol/Spirit Lake Grandmothers Club served the meal, it was noted that over 250 people were fed. Timberlake Fire Department and their awesome Santa Sleigh and Real Life Ministries kicked off the night with some caroling by the tree. And a number of other organizations participated with door prizes, letters to Santa and 205 Christmas Cards were signed for local veterans.



# MERRY CHRISTMAS



## Community Christmas Tree Lighting Festival 2019

Thank you Chamber members  
And local merchants  
For making this possible



We welcome new members who want to become involved  
And give back to our community. Visit us at  
[www.atholchamberofcommerce.org](http://www.atholchamberofcommerce.org) Follow us on Facebook

Chamber President: Janet Ellis

Chamber Vice-President: Josh Baugh

Chamber Treasurer: Ramona Grissom

Chamber Secretary: Mary Cameron

Chamber Director: Rudy Rudebaugh



**Sunday** - Compulsive Eaters Anonymous – Openness, honesty, and willingness (Every Sun) 3pm

**Monday** –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym  
Grandmothers Club (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday each month) 10am-1pm  
Real Life Ministries Youth Group (every Mon) 6pm

**Tuesday** –

Food Bank (every Tues) 9am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm  
(**Contact Charlotte Hooper at 683-3244**)  
Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am **NEW!**  
City Council Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues each month) 7pm  
Eager Beavers 4-H (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues each month) 6:30pm-7:30pm

**Wednesday** –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym  
Remington Water District (every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed) 6:30pm

**Thursday** –

Lady A's (every Thurs) 9am-10am  
Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am  
Athol Radio Group (2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs) 7pm **NEW!**  
Athol Chamber of Commerce (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs) 7pm

**Friday** –

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 10am-11am, Gym  
**Al-Anon** (every Friday) 1pm-2pm **NEW!**

**Saturday** –

Big Book Recovery AA's (every Sat) 5pm-6pm



**Upcoming:** This month's City Council Meetings for January 2020 are: The 7<sup>th</sup> and the 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm. Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Wednesday, the 15<sup>th</sup>.

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## WATER BILL ↓

From the Athol City Hall - January 1, 2020

**ATTN: Water payments due this month by Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> to avoid a late fee.**