



~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ March 1, 2021



Athol, A New Direction



NO AARP TAX HELP THIS YEAR-

AARP is not doing any walk-in help at the Silver Lake Mall nor any appointments at the Athol Community Center or any other surrounding locations.



People are encouraged to go to H & R Block or do it on-line.



ATHOL ELEMENTARY
Eagle Pride

March 9--Don't forget to vote on the school levy

March 11—No School; Student Led Conferences

March 26--No School-end of 3rd quarter

March 27--Spring Break starts



2021 Annual Chamber Membership Drive

Working on Spring Events and always looking for volunteers and new members. We meet the third Thursday of each month at the Athol Community Center.

Join US: March 18th, 2021 at 7:00pm

Visit us on our website @ www.atholchamberofcommerce.org and our Facebook page @ Athol Chamber of Commerce. Download an application off our website or call 208.660.2714 and request an application.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

@ **6:00 PM** 1st & 3rd Tues.
CITY HALL - 30355 N. 3rd
208-683-2101

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

Future Council Meeting Dates:

March 2, 2021
March 16, 2021
April 6, 2021
April 20, 2021
May 4, 2021
May 18, 2021
June 1, 2021

City website:
www.cityofathol.us

Mayor:

William "Bill" Hill

City Clerk/Treasurer:

Lori Yarbrough

Deputy City Clerk:

Tanya Ziegler

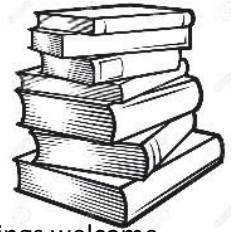
Public Works/Water Operator:

Anthony Brandt



Athol Library is open for browsing but not for programs yet. Online programming will continue with storytime, LEGO Club, Imagination Builders, yoga storytime, and book suggestions.

Computer use is available by appointment.



Masks are required inside. 208-683-2979

Youth Happenings:

Creepers & Crawlers Tuesday March 16th 10:30 AM at Farragut Park.

Join Ms. Bethany for this ranger led program at Farragut Park. Aimed at littles (2-5) but older siblings welcome. We will explore and learn in nature. Dress for the weather!

Frog & Toad 100 Acts of Kindness

In honor of our friends Frog & Toad, we are doing an acts of kindness activity. Complete your sheet (available at the library) for a free book. Geared for ages 3-7 but all ages welcome to participate.

Imagination Explorers Thursday March 25th 11:00 AM via Microsoft Teams.

Ms. Bethany & Ms. Meghan will lead an at home science experiment. Grab and Go kits are available by reservation for pick up at library. Geared for ages 8-12 but all ages welcome. Contact the library for sign up.

TEEN Taste Challenge Saturday March 20th 11:00 AM via Google Meet

Register and receive samples of foods we will try and discuss together. ***Allergy warning -may contain foods with common allergens.*** This program is open to grades 6th-12th. Sign up by emailing your name and grade to teens@communitylibrary.net. Kits will be sent to your libraries for pick up.

USDA Snacks available on THURSDAYS for kids 0-18.

The Athol/Spirit Lake Grandmothers' Club was established in Spirit Lake in 1972 with Edna Guild as their first President. It now encompasses Athol and a bit of Bayview. We celebrate twice a year with Kellogg Grandmothers.

Our Objective is to honor and dignify "grandmotherhood" and work to promote charitable Projects, to further the social and educational interest of the members and to contribute to worthy community projects, with monies or supplies, whichever is needed.

A Grandmother through motherhood or a woman who has acquired a grandchild or grandchildren through marriage or adoption shall be eligible for membership in this club. Or by a motion to accept any woman who wants to join and be a member, whether or not she is a grandmother.

We participate in many activities throughout the year such as: Easter Egg Coloring for the American Legion, Athol Beautification Day with a garage sale, Host the Athol Daze Cake Walk, have a float in the Athol Daze Parade, Trunk or Treat, decorating City Hall for the Holidays, help with food service at the Athol Tree Lighting Festival and choose a child from the Tree of Caring and donate to the local Food Banks. Other activities include: Visiting the Yak Farm, picnics, bike rides, movies and many more.

We meet the 3rd Monday of each month at the Athol Community Center at 10:00 am. If you would like to be a part of our Grandmothers Club, please email at: grannysonfire@gmail.com . Or check out our facebook page: Athol Grandmothers



A Brand-New Season is upon us and we are excited! Amazing changes ahead for our market as we continue to grow!

Early bird special on the membership for 2021!... Deadline is March 31st, so get your applications and fees in before the deadline to receive the discounted rate!



Links for the Application and Rules can be found on our Facebook page: Athol Farmers Market



From City Hall

Athol City Website: www.cityofathol.us

We post important updates to our website, and you can also find copies of the city council meeting agendas, minutes, fee resolution and a few miscellaneous forms you might find helpful. There is also a link to the City Code. Give us a call at City Hall if you are looking for something.

Water Improvements – The waterline project should start back up sometime this month. NNAC will be continuing to work on the new cemetery tank and finish 3rd St., then begin work on 4th St. for the watermain upsizing.

- There will be two Public Hearings at the March 16th council meeting. One for the Badger Annexation and the other on a Code Amendment request from Active West LLC.
- We have been working on new interior and exterior doors at the Community Center, we hope to have them finished soon.
- The FY2020 Audit has been conducted by Anderson Bros. Final draft should be available on the city website by the end of the month.
- We are tentatively planning for Athol Daze this year. Not sure what it will look like, but we hope to have something for the community.
- Group activities & building rentals are picking up again, as the Governor moves us up in the stages. We hope to be functioning like normal, or as close to normal as possible soon!



Garden Seminar...Presented by

Dawn Trammell. Successful Northwest Gardner & Herbalist
Gardening 101 - Selecting seeds; Basic seed starting; Transplanting; Hardening off your plants; Soil/garden preparation; How to extend the season; Saving your own seed.
Year-Round Gardening – How to have a successful winter harvest; What to grow month by month; How to have a continual harvest; How to improvise.

Wild Edible Plants – General overview of edible plants; Medicinal properties

Hosted by the Athol Seventh-day Adventist Church

WHERE: **Athol Community Center 30355 N 3rd Street Athol, ID**

Sunday, March 14th 4:00pm – 6:30pm

Did you know.... the city can withhold issuance of Building Location or Site Disturbance Permits for **any violation in the city** until said issues are addressed. Please make sure your property is in compliance before coming to get a permit.

COMMON VIOLATIONS ARE: Excessive/Miscellaneous junk, trash, etc.; Personal Items/Property in City Right of Way; People living in campers, motors homes, or other temporary structure; or more than 2 Inoperable/Unlicensed Vehicles



FUN FACTS on St. Patrick's Day

- ❖ *The first St. Patrick's Day celebration in the United States was held in Boston (1737).*
- ❖ *Legend says that each leaf of the clover has a meaning: Hope, Faith, Love and Luck.*
- ❖ *Your odds of finding a four-leaf clover are about 1 in 10,000.*
- ❖ *There are 34.7 million U.S. residents with Irish ancestry. This number is more than seven times the population of Ireland itself.*



Upcoming: The City Council Meetings in March 2021, are on the 2nd and the 16th at 6:00pm. Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Monday, the 15th.

WATER BILL ↓

