



# ~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ December 1, 2022

Athol, A New Direction

## Christmas Sharing Tree Tags at the Food Bank

They are ready for your contributions. Children's sharing tree tags are now available at the Food Bank, City Hall and Super 1.



Please return tags and gifts back to Charlotte at the Food Bank no later than Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 2022.

*Thank you for giving!*

## **Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> Food Box pick-up!**

Please call Charlotte at  
208-771-3117 with questions.



**FOOD BANK OPEN: Every Tuesday**  
9am-12 noon & 1pm- 3pm



**CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**  
@ **6:00 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:**

December 6, 2022  
December 20, 2022  
(Closed Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> -Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>)  
January 3, 2023  
January 17, 2023  
(Closed Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> MLK Day)  
February 7, 2023  
(Closed Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> Presidents Day)  
February 21, 2023

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

Mayor:

**William "Bill" Hill**

City Clerk/Treasurer:

**Lori Yarbrough**

Deputy City Clerk:

**Tanya Ziegler**

Public Works/Water Operator:

**Kevin Foster**

## **Athol Elementary -----**

**Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>** AE Parent Teachers United (PTU) Meeting 6pm

**Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>** Christmas Program (6pm) -  
for Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> Grades only.

**Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>** Christmas Holiday, NO School



### **The Giving Tree for Teachers**

coordinated by the Athol Elementary PTU. Stop by the school office and pick a paper ornament from the tree. Each will have a teacher's supply need request on the back. Purchase the items, wrap them in holiday paper, and then use the ornament as a gift tag, teachers name facing out and return to the school and put it under the tree.



A great way to show your favorite teacher how much we appreciate them or just another way to help support the local teachers!





**Attention Local Businesses and Community Members in the 83801 Zip Code**

**We Are Looking for:**

**Officers, Workers, Members, & Volunteers NOW!**



Join us for our Quarterly meeting on

**Thursday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at the Athol Community Center**

**What is your vision for the future of the Athol Chamber of Commerce?**

The 501(c) is in place, corporation papers are done, there is a membership base – but without leadership....it may not continue to exist!

**If you are interested, please attend this meeting, or contact us.**

**Call or text 208.660.2714 or EMAIL: [president@atholchamberofcommerce.org](mailto:president@atholchamberofcommerce.org)**



**From City Hall**

Athol City Website: [www.cityofathol.us](http://www.cityofathol.us)

Give us a call at City Hall if you need any help. 208-683-2101

**City Hall Closed – We will be closed for the Christmas Holiday from Dec.26<sup>th</sup> through January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Have a safe and happy holiday season!**



**City Right-of-Ways** – Remember 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. When removing snow from your driveway do not snow blow or plow snow into the street.

We make every effort to NOT leave a berm in your driveway but occasionally during a heavy snow event this is not always possible. Please cooperate with our Public Works and/or his crew, if any, for the plowing of the city streets. Thank you in advance and have a safe and great winter.




**Athol TREE Lighting**  
**Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 5:00pm - 6:00pm**  
 Gathering & Singing to begin about 5:00pm  
 Actual lighting happening at 5:45pm.  
 Athol Community Center 30355 N 3rd St.

**“NEW” Water Rates this month.**

Base Rate by Category	Gallons	Rate
Residential 1 unit	12k	<b>\$54.00</b>
Residential 2 unit	24K	<b>\$108.00</b>
Commercial Low	20k	<b>\$90.00</b>
Commercial High	40k	<b>\$180.00</b>
Late Fee		<b>\$15.00</b>



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## Fun Stuff at the Athol Library in December!

**Open during our regular business hours. 208-683-2979**

HOURS: Monday – Wednesday 1pm-6pm; Thursdays 10am-6pm;

Fridays: 1pm-5pm; Saturday 12 Noon-4pm; Closed on Sundays.

**The Library will be closed Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
for Christmas Eve, and also closed on Sunday, the 25<sup>th</sup>.**



### **KIDS & TEENS**

**Preschool Storytime – Wednesdays, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am** – Playtime, stories, and music aimed for kids 3-5.

**Imagination Explorers for Kids 5-10 – Tuesdays, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 pm** – Kids explore themes at their own pace by visiting different stations that feature STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, math) components.

**Holiday Ornaments – Wednesday, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> – Tweens at 3:30pm & Teens at 4:30pm**

**Holiday Music & Movement – Thursday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am** – This class is designed to help your child get the wiggles out through movement, dancing and music. All ages welcome but aimed for 3-6.

**Libratory Holiday Party – Thursday, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> 1pm. Ages 5-10.**

### **ADULT PROGRAMS**



**Candy Making with Cheryl - Thursday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm**

Cheryl will teach us how she makes her delicious White Chocolate Peppermint Treats! She will also share how to package treats as special gifts.

**Chef Kyle Cooks Winter Soups! – Saturday Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm**

Chef Kyle is back with another warm winter soup recipe! This month is Italian Wedding Soup! Please RSVP by calling the Athol Library at 208-683-2979 or at the Athol Library front desk. RSVP closes December 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

**Family Bingo - Tuesday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm**

Sean Gaskell will give multiple performances and educational demonstrations on the kora, an ancient 21-stringed harp from West Africa. He will feature traditional songs that are the heart and soul of the kora's musical repertoire.

**All Ages Coloring Contest Begins - Starting Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>**, we will have coloring pages for "kids" of all ages! Come pick one up, color it your best, return it by the end of day Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be announced on Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Cookie Bake and Taste Contest!** - Bring by a plate of your favorite homemade holiday cookies on Wednesday, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> (1:00-6:00pm) or Thursday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> by 12:00pm. The contest starts at 1:00pm on Thursday the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Members are welcome to taste and vote on their favorite three. Winners will be notified on Monday, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>!

**Visit Our Website – [www.communitylibrary.net](http://www.communitylibrary.net)**



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**Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:00pm - 3:00pm**  
**at the Athol Community Center**

**Hosted by the**  
**LADIES AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY**

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**Sunday-**

Good Hope Baptist (Every Sun) 10am  
Church of Christ (Every Sun) 2pm



**Monday –**

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 9:30am-10:30am, 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)**  
Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am  
City Council Meeting (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues each month) 6pm  
Eager Beavers 4-H (2<sup>nd</sup> Tues each month) 6:30pm-7:30pm

**\*\*NOTE: This is not a full listing of the activities and classes this month\*\***

**Wednesday –**

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 9:30am-10:30am, Gym  
Remington Water District (3<sup>rd</sup> Wed each month) 6:30pm

**Thursday –**

Lady A’s (every Thurs) 9am-10am  
Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am  
Athol Radio Group (2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs each month) 6pm  
Athol Chamber of Commerce (4<sup>th</sup> Thurs each quarter) 7pm

**Friday –**

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 9:30am-10:30am, Gym

**Saturday –**

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



**Upcoming:** City Council Meetings in December 2022 are on the 6<sup>th</sup> and the 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.  
Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Thursday the 15<sup>th</sup>.

WATER BILL ↓

