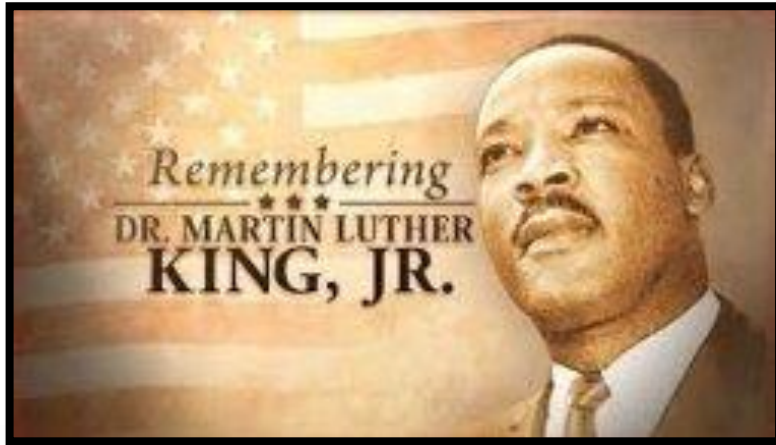


~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ **January** 2023



Thank you for Giving!

ABC Food Bank's Sharing Tree - Over 185 Children were served this year. Approximately 170 Thanksgiving Food Boxes and 210 Christmas Food Boxes were given out for this Holiday Season at the Food Bank. Ms. Charlotte would like to extend huge appreciation to all those who contributed throughout the year and for the holidays.

"This little City sure has a BIG Heart!"

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** 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:

(Closed Jan. 1st New Year's Day)
January 17, 2023
(Closed Jan. 16th MLK Day)
February 7, 2023
(Closed Feb. 20th Presidents Day)
February 21, 2023
March 7, 2023
March 21, 2023
April 4, 2023

City website:
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 -----

Jan. 16th Martin Luther King Holiday – No School
Jan. 27th End of Quarter – No school for students

SAVE THE DATE **Athol Elementary PTU CRAFT FAIR**
March 17th 2022





From City Hall

Athol City Website: www.cityofathol.us

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

**City Hall Closed – For New Year’s Day on Monday, January 2nd
and for Martin Luther King Day Holiday on Monday, January 16th, 2023.**



Reminders – We will begin plowing once the snow accumulation on the roadways have reached 4” of snow. The plows will generally be out on the streets starting after midnight, so try and clear the roads **before morning**.

- It is unlawful to push, shovel, blow, or place snow on to the public streets- When the snow freezes in mounds on the road it can cause severe accidents for those driving on the roadway, including the plows.
- Please pull vehicles into the driveway and remember not to throw snow from driveways and sidewalks into the street. Try and send the extra snow into the swales and yards.
- Vehicles, basketball hoops, trailers & personal property must be removed from the street, right-of-way, and swales. This helps our plow driver remove as much snow as possible off the city streets and ensures the roadways stay as wide as possible as snow accumulates.
- Trash cans should also be removed from the street immediately after trash pickup.
- To avoid postal interruption, clear an area in front & on each side of your mailbox.
- Snow berms are an inconvenient result of plowing. Our plows in residential areas are equipped with a gate, however, gates only reduce the size of the berm, and they don’t necessarily eliminate a snow berm. Snow gates are subject to weight and the amount of snow.
- Take note that in the event of a heavy snow fall, the first priority is to clear the main streets to allow for the passage of traffic. Then as time allows, he will go back and begin clearing and pushing back the sides and do any clean up.



Please don’t forget to shovel out your fire hydrants, as it is the responsibility of the property owners. Firefighters need at least 3 feet of clearance around your fire hydrant to be able to locate it and use it quickly. Our city code states that you should not park within 8 feet of them. In case of fire, seconds count and can make the difference in saving your home and possessions. **If you have a fire hydrant in your yard, remember that you are not just helping you and your family, but all your neighbors. Stay safe!**



Fun Stuff at the Athol Library in January!

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 Monday, January 16th

for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



KIDS & TEENS

Preschool Storytime – Wednesdays **11:00 am** - Playtime, stories, and music aimed for kids 3-5.

Stealth Imagination Explorers - Tuesdays 3:30pm - 1st Tuesday of the month Chess, Last Tuesday of month LEGO (kit will be utilized weekly as well as alternate activities on LEGO/chess days).

Libratory – Art Exploration – 4th Monday of each month 1 pm

Baby Picasso – 6-week series – Art Series for Littles (ages 2-5) Thursdays, 10 am, February 2nd- March 9th

Teen Time - 2nd Wednesday of each month 3:30pm

Family STEAM - 4th Saturday of month 12 pm



ADULT PROGRAMS

Chef Kyle Cooks Winter Soups! – Saturday January 14, **1:00pm** Chef Kyle is back with another winter soup recipe! Please RSVP by calling the Athol Library at 208-683-2979 or at the Athol Library front desk.

Paint & Sip – Thursday, January 26, **1:00 – 3:30pm**, Athol Community Center. Call for details and to RSVP – 208-683-2979.

FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Family STEAM - Saturday, January 28th, 12:00 noon



Visit Our Website – www.communitylibrary.net

Water Rates

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



TOP 10 WINTER DRIVING TIPS

- 1 Check the road conditions before traveling. Visit 511.idaho.gov or download the Idaho 511 app
- 2 Be prepared. Keep a winter emergency kit in your car with food/water, etc.
- 3 When roads are wet or icy, slow down and give yourself more stopping distance. Remember, bridges and overpasses are the first to freeze when temperatures drop
- 4 Turn off cruise control if roads are slick
- 5 If you do slide, stay calm, brake very gently, and turn your wheel in the direction of the skid. Try not to overcorrect
- 6 Keep your windshield completely clear of snow and ice. Fill up on windshield washer fluid too
- 7 Learn how to use tire chains and carry them with you
- 8 Let someone know your travel plans, especially if you'll be driving through areas with no cell service
- 9 Give our snowplow drivers room to work. Never pass a snowplow on the right! The safest place is behind the plow
- 10 Buckle up, stay engaged behind the wheel, and drive for the conditions this winter

Are you **IDAHO READY** to drive safely?

For more information visit: itd.idaho.gov/travel

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 (3rd Monday each month) 10am-1pm

Tuesday –

Food Bank (every Tues) 9am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm

(Contact Charlotte Hooper)

Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am

City Council Meeting (1st & 3rd Tues each month) 6pm

Eager Beavers 4-H (2nd 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 (3rd Wed each month) 6:30pm

Thursday –

Lady A’s (every Thurs) 9am-10am

Sit-ercise (Tues & Thurs) 10am

Athol Radio Group (2nd Thurs each month) 6pm

Athol Chamber of Commerce (4th 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: Only one City Council Meeting this January 2023: it’s on the 17th at 6:00pm.
Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Friday the 13th.

WATER BILL ↓

