



~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~ September 2024

Athol, A New Direction

City Hall is Closed
September 2, 2024



City Hall will be CLOSED

Monday, September 16th – Thursday, September 19th

We will resume regular business hours on Friday, September 20th at 8:30am. The Clerk and Deputy Clerk are attending the annual Idaho City Clerks Treasurers & Finance Officers Association (ICCTFOC) Conference in Boise.

CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

@ **6:00 PM** 1st & 3rd Tues.

CITY HALL – 30355 N. 3rd

Mailing Address: PO Box 249

208-683-2101

Clerk/Treasurer Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday 9:00-4:30pm

Fridays 8:30am- 12:30 pm

Future Council Meeting Dates:

(Closed September 2nd Labor Day)

September 3, 2024

September 17, 2024

(Closed for Training 16th – 19th)

October 1, 2024

October 15, 2024

November 5, 2024

November 19, 2024

(Closed for Thanksgiving 28th -29th)

December 3, 2024

December 17, 2024

City website:

www.cityofathol.us

Mayor:

Steven Ruch

City Clerk/Treasurer:

Lori Yarbrough

Deputy City Clerk:

Lisa Lawson

Public Works/Water Operator:

Kevin Foster



TIMBERLAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Volunteer Firefighter, Matthew McLeod, has been with Timberlake Fire Protection District since April 2023.

He was encouraged to join Timberlake by the instructors at NIC Fire Academy. The importance of volunteering and the valuable career skills he would gain were emphasized, as well as the lifelong connections to be made in the process.

Matthew's most meaningful accomplishment to date is becoming a state certified Firefighter and EMT through Timberlake.

His long-term career goals are to become a Driver/Operator and become a Fire Medic.

Matthew's favorite hobby is longboarding in downtown CDA and on the Centennial Trail.

Interested in joining the TFPD team?
Visit TimberlakeFire.com for more information.

The kids are back in school, drive carefully and watch for them as they head back to school!

Athol Daze 2024 Recapped:

Citizen of the Year: Mel Bertsch



Mel Bertsch has been a resident of Athol for 60 years, he served a short time on the city council back in the mid 70's and has owned numerous businesses in town. He currently owns and operates Mel's RV park with his wife Jeanette. Over the years he developed some of the southeast corner of the city, where the current post office is, and back through 5th, 6th and 7th streets. With two streets being named after him and his late wife; Vera Avenue and Bertsch Avenues. He shares "he's seen so much growth in new business and homes...that he always knew we would become the thriving community that we are." Athol is centrally located from neighboring cities and surrounded by beautiful mountains and many lakes. "There is much for this community to be grateful for."

Athol Roots & Cowboy Boots - Some Boot-Scootin' fun times!



Parade Winners were as follows:

Military: American Legion; Commercial: MGT Tree Services; Equestrian: Lucia & her equestrian friends; Motorized: Mean while back at the ranch - Cowboy Curt w/ Freckles; Classic Cars: 1939 Plymouth convertible; Kids: Sonrise Christian Daycare; Floats: Grandmother's Club.



A very "BIG" Thank you the Athol Baptist Church for providing their Bounce house and water slides and yummy treats and the Ladies Ministries for hosting the Kids Quarter Games!



And
to the

Athol Grease Monkey and Niki for hosting the Show n Shine



Thanks to Lakeland Judo Club for providing our overnight security, parade attendance, and demonstration in the park after the parade.

Always a fun event: Money in the Straw!

Lawnmower Races were hosted again and brought to you by North Idaho Tire and Service;



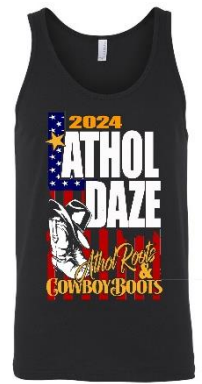
We hope everyone who attended enjoyed the live music; beer gardens; and the bounty of vendors in attendance.



We do still have a few random sizes of tank tops, a couple t-shirts available to buy.

And we have several bigger sizes of sweatshirts available for sale in City Hall.

Sweatshirts: \$20.00 Tees and Tanks \$10.00



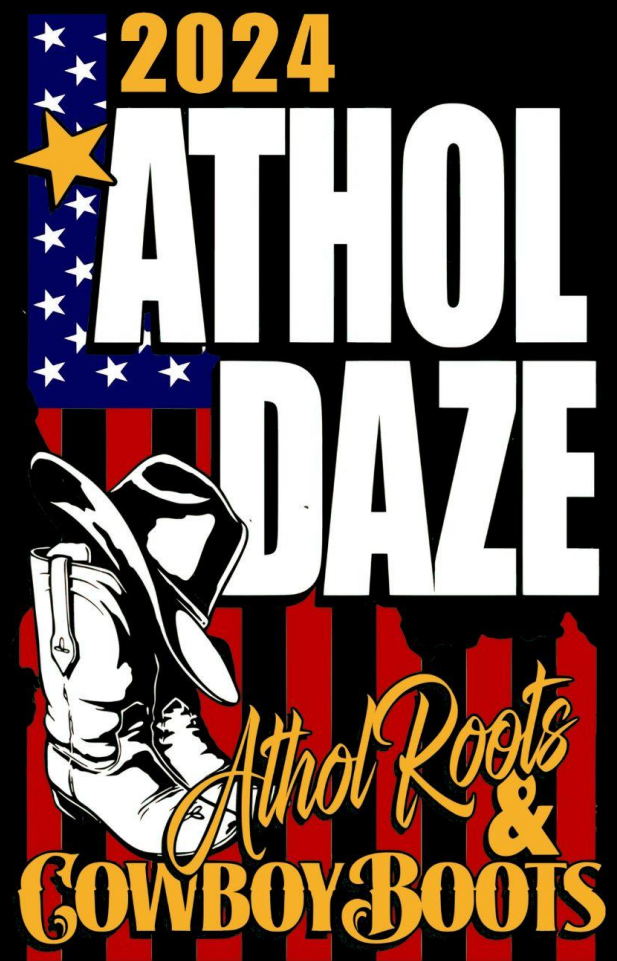
A very big "Thank you" to Our local businesses are truly amazing! We really appreciate all of our local businesses helping to make this year's event even better than ever!!

Red Level sponsors "T-Shirts" as you may have seen listed on the backs of the event t-shirt.

LET'S TIP OUR HATS TO THESE SPONSORS

Dirks Insurance Group	Athol Baptist Church
C & L Repair	Granite Point Physical Therapy
City of Athol	Athol Farmers' Market
Real Life Ministries	B&B Sani-Services
Coffee Corral	Blackwell Wholesale Supply
Cutler Logging	Kay's Quick Stop 76
Iron Pizza	MGT Professional Tree Care
Patterson Plumbing	Athol/SL Grandmothers' Club
Rolling Resortations	Bestowing the Basics
P1FCU	Candle in the Woods
Country Boy Café	North Idaho Tires & Service
Farragut Storage	Crossroads - Conoco
Super 1 Foods	Perfection Landscaping
Sweet Lou's	Country Clinical Massage
Taco Works	Family Motor Company
Pastime Club	Farragut Rock Products
Grease Monkey	Athol American Legion #149
Eagle Peak	Abide Culture Coffee
Ram Products	Beau Monde Outpost
Idaho Forest Group	NW Wholesale Pawn & Auction
Idaho Gun & Outdoor	Kootenai Electric Cooperative
Northern Republic 208	208 Tees

2024 Citizen of the Year - Mel Bertsch



Our top level "Blue" sponsors this year were: Grease Monkey, Athol Baptist Church & Idaho Gun & Outdoors!!



We had numerous "White" banner sponsors, they were:

C & L Repair, Blackwell Wholesale Supply,
Coffee Corral, Country Boy Café, Cutler Logging,
Dirk Insurance Group, Eagle Peak, Iron Pizza,
Family Motor Company, Sweet Lou's
Granite Point Physical Therapy, Idaho Forest Group,
Abide Culture Coffee, Kootenai Electric Cooperative,
Northern Republic 208, MGT Professional Tree Care,
North Idaho Tires & Service,
P1FCU, Perfection Landscaping,
and Taco Works!



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
Pickleball (Mon) 11:00am-1:00pm, Gym

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

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) 7pm
Pickleball (Mon) 11:00am-1:00pm

Friday –

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

Saturday –

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

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



Upcoming: City Council Meeting in September will be on the 3rd and the 17th at 6:00pm.
Water bills are due upon receipt and considered late if not received by Friday, the 13th.

WATER BILL ↓

