



~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~

August 1, 2026



Athol, Idaho



The America 250 celebration was a great success! A big thank you to all of the attendees, vendors and the fantastic artists who provided the music! The American Legion Post 149 cooked up about 280 burgers and 110 hot dogs for the crowd! We also want to extend our sincerest appreciation to Gordy & Janet and the whole American Legion Family for the presentation of the folding of the flag. Let us all reflect and appreciate the place we call home!

Presented by: The Athol American Legion Post 149,
the City of Athol, and the Athol Farmer's Market



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:

August 4, 2026

Athol Daze Aug 8th

August 18, 2026

September 1, 2026

City Hall Closed Sept. 7th - Labor Day

September 15, 2026

October 6, 2026

October 20, 2026

November 3, 2026

November 17, 2026

December 1, 2026

City website:

www.cityofathol.us

Mayor:

Steven Ruch

City Clerk/Treasurer:

Lori Yarbrough

Deputy City Clerk:

Amanda Clark

Public Works/Water Operator:

Pete Weigman





From City Hall

Athol City Website: www.cityofathol.us

The Athol City Code is on the city website. Contact City Hall with any questions or if you need assistance.



- **Budget Appropriation Public Hearing– Tuesday August 18th:** The City of Athol will hold a public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2027 Annual Budget at 6:00pm. The City of Athol Annual 2027 draft budget can be found at: <https://www.cityofathol.us>

➤ **New in the Park:** The new restroom facility has finally arrived! Minor installation and clean-up work will continue over the next couple of weeks. In 2019 the city council voted to start saving funds for this project and in 2023 the city applied for a CDB Grant. In 2024 we secured an engineer and contractor to spearhead the project. The total project cost was about \$230,000. We are proud of our new park facilities and need your help to keep them in top shape for everyone to enjoy. If you see any vandalism or suspicious activity, please notify City Hall immediately so we can protect our community space. ***Note:** A spring rocker ride was recently broken after just being replaced. Please remember that these particular toys are only meant for young children.



- **Reminder: dogs are not allowed in the city park.**

➤ **HIGH fire danger persists in our area.** We are asking all residents to exercise extra caution and take action to protect our community. Please cut down tall grass and overgrown weeds around your home and property. This simple task plays a major role in citywide safety and appearance.

- **Water Service:** Please keep meter boxes clear of all debris and do not park any vehicles over them. Per city code, meters must be accessible for reading. Please ensure our team can access your water meter to avoid higher, estimated bills.
- **E-Water Billing & On-line Payments:** Beginning in September, citizens will have the option of receiving their water bills, city newsletter, and a direct-payment link via email. If you are interested in enrolling in water e-billing, please email Amanda at cityhall@cityofathol.us or call City Hall.
- **REMINDER: Mountain View Cemetery Plot Owners & Family Members:** The City will be conducting a clean-up of the cemetery grounds later this year. All City ordinance non-compliant items need to be removed by August 31st to avoid removal by the City.
- **Awesome swag will be available at the City's Athol Daze booth!**
Make sure to drop by to get yours! T-shirts, Sweatshirts, and Koozies!



Athol Daze 2026

Musical Line-up

Athol Daze is bringing the soundtrack to the celebration with three stages, four featured acts – and even more music in the works! Whether you love classic rock, smooth acoustic favorites, funky grooves or the contagious energy of young musicians finding their sound, there's a stage calling your name.



Courtside Stage

➡ **10:00 AM–1:00 PM | Kids' Showcase featuring The Smirks Band**

The next generation of North Idaho musicians is ready to rock! The Smirks Band may be young, but this garage band has big plans, big personality and plenty of enthusiasm to share. Come cheer them on, dance along and show these rising performers just how loudly Athol supports young talent!

➡ **2:00–5:00 PM | Carson Floyd**

Settle in—or sing along—as North Idaho singer-songwriter Carson Floyd takes over the Courtside Stage! Armed with his acoustic guitar, Carson mixes original songs with favorites from classic rock, blues, country and folk. His relaxed style and familiar sound make him the perfect companion for an afternoon of food, shopping and Athol Daze fun.



Ballfield Stage

➡ **10:00 AM–2:30 PM | The Dirty Champions**

Good luck standing still for this one! The Dirty Champions bring together rock, blues, funk, soul and R&B for a sound packed with energy and groove. This Spokane-based band knows how to connect with a crowd, making them the perfect match for the cars, contests, and excitement surrounding the Ballfield Stage.

➡ **Throughout the Afternoon & Closing the Ballfield Stage | The Step Brothers Band**

We found the perfect band to keep the Ballfield Stage rocking! Hailing from Loon Lake, The Step Brothers Band promises to bring audiences “more than just '80s Joel” with familiar favorites, plenty of variety, and the kind of fun energy made for an outdoor festival. They'll keep the music rolling between the Pinup & Greaser Contest and the Car Show Awards. Then, once the final trophy has been handed out, they'll turn it back up and close out the night! Th

e cars may be parked, and the awards may be claimed—but the party definitely isn't over!



Park Stage

➡ **10:00 AM–5:00 PM | Linda Maney & The ManeyAxe**

If you like your classic rock loud, lively and loaded with personality, head to the Park Stage! Linda Maney & The ManeyAxe will keep it rocking all day with memorable anthems, powerhouse energy and the kind of music that makes you want to stay for “just one more song.”

Three stages, music all day, and plenty of reasons to dance!

Check out the 3 beer gardens for a refreshing beverage!

Athol Daze Vendors

We are thrilled to welcome over 100 incredible vendors to Athol Daze '26! Here is a sneak peek at who is joining us – with more still to be announced!

208 Tees
A Drop In The Potion
Ambush Wrestling Club
American Legion #149
Ardell Gebhart
Arketype Chiropractic
Athol Baptist Church
Athol Farmer's Market
Athol Ironworks
Athol Library
Beau Monde Athol Outpost
Bestowing the Basics
Between 2 Buns
Bradetich Glass Creations
Bully's Dogs
Caribu Creek Farms
Careywood Eager Beavers 4-H
C&J Landworks
Christ Fit Gym
Crafted at Home
Crocheted Little Wonders
D's Dawgs
Denise Gingg Designs
Donut Dreams and Ice Cream
Dragon Weiners
Dude's Paracord
Emibombs
Escrea Equine
Extea Basque Bakery
Farmgirl Bakery
Farnzy's Snowballs & Stuff
Fear the Walking Taco
Fink Farm Oasis - Mary Kay
Fizz Labs
Funny Harper T's
Freewolf Custom Shop
Gems & Things
Good Hope Baptist Church
Graham Publishing
Gramma Kathy's Better Bread
Granite Point Physical Therapy
Hartley
Herzog Sells
Hippo Car Wash
Holly Hobby Sewing
House of Sparrow
Idaho Guns
Iron Pizza Athol

Jeffries Jewelry
Jimmy's Dogs
Katie's Creations
Kootenai Electric
Lakeland Judo Club
La Tijuanense
LeafFilter Gutter Protection
Lemony Days
Levergun Leatherworks
Little Bear Farm
Loa Boutique
Lola's Lumpia
Mark Everything
MorningStar Creations
Naomi Kahn Insurance Agency
North Idaho Homestead
Northwest Specialty
Open Arms Real Choices Clinic
P1FCU
Paint and Paste Creation
Panhandle Apiary
PnM Creations
Popperazzi Kettle Corn
Pufftin's
Puppy Wuppy Stuff
Real Life Ministries
Renewal by Andersen
Revolution Cerakote
Rings N' Things
Rock Cabin Farm
Roy's Custom Leatherwork
Sew Happy
Sew Lovely by Connie
Simple Suds
Smoking Glory BBQ
Spirit Woods Boutique
Sully's Food Truck
Summer Blossoms
Sweet Lou's
Sweet Sisters Desserts
Sweet Stacks by Tailer
Taco Works
Technique Gymnastics
The Hot Diggity Dog
Treasure Chest
Triple Five Farm
Waymaker Christian Academy
White Dove Essentials



Get Your Kicks at
Athol Daze '26
CAR SHOW
Presented by Grease Monkey

Saturday
AUGUST 8, 2026

REGISTRATION / LINE-UP
8:00 AM

CAR SHOW
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

ATHOL CITY BALLFIELD
ATHOL, IDAHO

All Vehicle Types
= WELCOME! =

PRE-REGISTER
\$20
REGISTRATION FEE
cityofathol.us
Day-Of Registration Available

PINUP & GREASER CONTEST
2:30 PM
BALLFIELD STAGE

TROPHIES & AWARDS
Class Awards * People's Choice
Mayor's Choice * Best of Show

Part of Athol Daze =

LIVE MUSIC * BEER GARDENS * VENDORS * FAMILY ACTIVITIES

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Athol Daze
PINUP & GREASER CONTEST
SHOW OFF YOUR
Vintage Style!

PINUPS & GREASERS WELCOME!

CATEGORIES

- Little Darlings / Little Greasers (0-10)
- Young Hearts / Young Guns (11-17)
- Retro Sweethearts / Retro Rebels (18-29)
- Timeless Dolls / Timeless Cats (30+)

DETAILS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH, 2026

ATHOL CITY BALLFIELD

REGISTRATION 1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

2:30 PM
• Little Darlings & Little Greasers (0-10)
• Young Hearts & Young Guns (11-17)

3:30 PM
CAR SHOW AWARDS

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CAR SHOW AWARDS

- Retro Sweethearts & Retro Rebels (18-29)
- Timeless Dolls & Timeless Cats (30+)

PRIZES AWARDED IN EVERY CATEGORY!

Get dressed up, strike a pose, and show off your vintage style!

PRIZE DONORS:

- BEAUTY NATIA
- LESLIE'S & MORE
- SUMMER ELEGANCE
- LITTLE FEAR TALK
- CLASH & FUSION
- GEMS & THINGS
- LESLIE'S CIRC DESIGNS
- PAINT & EASY CREATIONS
- LEMON'S DAYS

ATHOL DAZE 2026

Schedule of Events

7:00am-9:00am Pancake Breakfast **Fundraiser** @ Fire Station
9:00am Parade (**line up starts at 8am at Athol Elementary**)

IN THE PARK

9:00am-5:00pm Food & Craft Vendors, Kid Activities, Live Music
Timberlake Fire District
Junior Firefighter Challenge
First Aid Station on Bennett Ave.

10:00am-5:00pm 2 Beer Gardens
Iron Pizza - Near the Main Stage
Sweet Lou's - Near the Main Stage

10:30am Lakeland Judo Club Demonstrations
Parade Awards

11:00am (**sharp**) Citizen of the Year Announcement
Money in the Straw (**Next to Skatepark**)

11:30am Grandmother's Cake Walk (**Until cakes are gone!**)

10:00am-5:00pm Live Music on the Main Stage in the Park
Linda Maney & The Maneyaxe

IN THE BALLFIELD

9:00am-5:00pm Athol Daze Car Show presented by Grease Monkey

10:00am-2:30pm Live Music: **The Dirty Champions**

10:00am-5:00pm American Legion Beer Garden

1:00pm Grandmother's Cake Walk (**Until cakes are gone!**)

2:30pm Little Darlings/Greasers & Young Hearts/Guns Contest

3:30pm Car Show Awards

Retro Sweethearts/Rebels & Timeless Dolls/Cats Contest

Live Music: **The Step Brothers Band**

ON THE BASKETBALL COURT

9:00am-5:00pm Craft & Food Vendors & More Activities

Real Life Ministries FREE Dunk Tank

Pony Rides by Escrea Equine (under the trees on 3rd St.

10:00am-1:00pm Live Music: **The Smirks Band - Kid's Showcase**

2:00-5:00pm Live Music: **Carson Floyd**



Sunday-**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

****NOTE: This is not a full listing of the activities and classes this month****
See calendar board in the community center for more events and activities!

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

Friday –

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

Saturday –

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

City Council Meetings in August 2026 are on the 4th & 18th at 6:00pm.
Water bills are due on receipt and considered late if not received by Friday, the 14th

WATER BILL ↓

