



# ~ ATHOL CITY NEWSLETTER ~

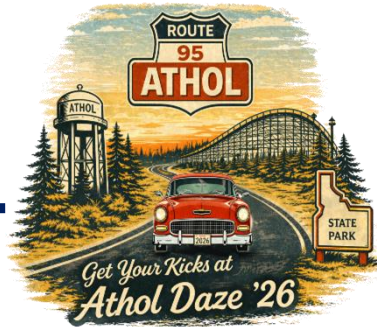
## September 1, 2026

Athol, Idaho

### Athol Daze 2026 was a roaring success!

On August 8<sup>th</sup> our city streets and parks came alive with vibrant energy as neighbors, families, and visitors gathered to celebrate the very best of our wonderful community! From the spectacular parade and bustling vendor booths to the lively entertainment and delicious food, this year's festivities set a new benchmark for fun and togetherness.

A heartfelt "Thank you" goes to our incredible volunteers, sponsors, city staff, vendors, and everyone who attended! Your enthusiasm and support made this our most successful and memorable celebration yet!



#### 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:

September 1, 2026

*City Hall Closed Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> – Labor Day*

September 15, 2026

October 6, 2026

October 20, 2026

November 3, 2026

November 17, 2026

December 1, 2026

December 15, 2026

City website:

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

Mayor:

**Steven Ruch**

City Clerk/Treasurer:

**Lori Yarbrough**

Deputy City Clerk:

**Amanda Clark**

Public Works/Water Operator:

**Pete Weigman**

### City Staff and their family volunteers



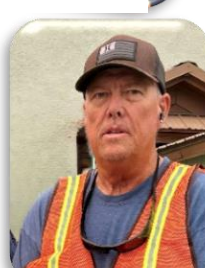
**DAN, TEMPIE, & JENI COOK**



**TRES & AMANDA CLARK**



**LORI, EMMETT, ELSIE, & JON YARBROUGH**



**SCOTT MCKINNEY**



**PETE & DEBBIE WEIGMAN**

## 2026 Parade Winners

The parade had more entries this year than ever before!

Congratulations to the winners and a big thank you to all who participated!

### Winners:

**Military:** American Legion Auxiliary

**Political/Other:** Kootenai County

Sheriff Norris

**Equestrian/Livestock:** 40 Something Cowgirls

**Motorized/Tractor/Gold Cart:**

Robert and Terri Manning

**Classic Cars:** Greg VanderFeer

**Kids:** Timberlake Jr. Cheer

**Floats:** Shriners



## 2026 Citizens of the Year

This year's *Citizens of the Year* are Mike & Peggy Cutler. Mike and Peggy have been a shining example of what it means to serve and give back to their community. From volunteering at Athol Elementary, to assisting with the organization of the Booster's Club, to working concessions at Timberlake events, they have been a vital part of this community for more than 50 years!

Thank you, Mike & Peggy, for your years of service, and congratulations on being awarded the **2026 Athol Citizens of the Year!**





## From City Hall

Athol City Website: [www.cityofathol.us](http://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 September 1st:** 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>

- **City Hall Closure:** City Hall will be closed in observance of Labor Day on Monday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.



- **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.
- **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](mailto:cityhall@cityofathol.us) or call City Hall.
- **REMIN**
- **Awesome swag** Make sure to drop by City Hall 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

Jeffries Jewelry  
**Jimmy's Dogs**  
Katie's Creations  
Kootenai Electric  
Lakeland Judo Club  
**La Tijuanaense**  
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



**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 MATRIA  
L'S EAGLES & MORE  
SUMMER FLOUSCHS

LITTLE DEAR FARM  
CELEBRATE LIVING  
GENS & THINGS

GENIE GING DESIGNS  
PAINT & EASE CREATIONS  
LEMONS EASY

**PINUP & GREASER CONTEST**

2:30 PM  
BALLFIELD STAGE

*= Part of Athol Daze =*

★ LIVE MUSIC ★ BEER GARDENS ★ VENDORS ★ FAMILY ACTIVITIES

REGISTRATION FEE  
cityofathol.us

Day-Of Registration Available

**TROPHIES & AWARDS**

Class Awards ★ People's Choice  
Mayor's Choice ★ Best of Show

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## ATHOL DAZE 2026

# Schedule of Events

|                |                                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:00am-9:00am  | Pancake Breakfast <b>Fundraiser</b> @ Fire Station                                                                                                |
| 9:00am         | Parade (line up starts at 8am at Athol Elementary)                                                                                                |
|                | <u><b>IN THE PARK</b></u>                                                                                                                         |
| 9:00am-5:00pm  | Food & Craft Vendors, Kid Activities, Live Music<br>Timberlake Fire District<br>Junior Firefighter Challenge<br>First Aid Station on Bennett Ave. |
| 10:00am-5:00pm | 2 Beer Gardens<br>Iron Pizza - Near the Main Stage<br>Sweet Lou's - Near the Main Stage                                                           |
| 10:30am        | Lakeland Judo Club Demonstrations<br>Parade Awards                                                                                                |

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## ~~WATER BILL~~ ↓

### **Monday –**

Fit n Fall Class (Mon, Wed, Fri) 9:30am-10:30am, Gym  
Grandmothers Club (3<sup>rd</sup> 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 (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 (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) 7pm

### **Friday –**

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

### **Saturday –**

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

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City Council Meetings in September 2026 are on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.  
Water bills are due on receipt and considered late if not received by Tuesday, the 15<sup>th</sup>