

SHORE LINES

Bayview Community Council

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Local News & Events



Dawn “aka” The Beard Master

By Ali Spahn



The new **Buckshot Barber Shop** in Athol is not your grandpa's barber shop. The shop was designed with a relaxed "man cave" atmosphere, a place where you can unwind, enjoy a complimentary beer or soft, drink and take a break from the day.

Owner **Dawn Ellingson-Jones** began her career 24 years ago as a professional women's hairstylist and colorist before transitioning into education with two highly respected cosmetology schools. In these roles, she taught an advanced curriculum that included exclusive American Crew training, giving her the opportunity to develop expertise in men's grooming techniques. It was during this time that she discovered her true passion for barbering, inspiring her to focus her career on the art and precision of men's haircuts and grooming.

As Dawn looked to expand, the decision on where to open a second location became an easy one. She noticed that many of her loyal clients were already making the drive from Athol to her Rathdrum barber shop. Seeing the demand and appreciating the strong sense of community, choosing Athol for their second location was a natural fit. "I love the community. It reminds me of how I grew up, and I find it to have a down home friendly, small town feeling," said Dawn.

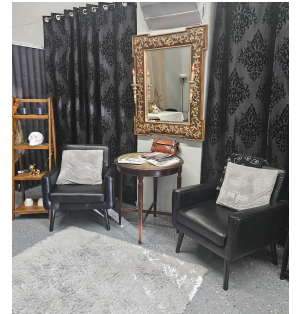
The name "Buckshot Barber" was the influence of her father who was one of the largest gun collectors in Canada. He taught Dawn to shoot guns at an early age. "I'm naturally good at shooting. I love everything about guns. I also collect guns. When I moved to Idaho I said, oh my gosh, I've died and went to heaven. You can open carry and everyone has a beard!" exclaimed Dawn.

One of Dawn's greatest strengths is her team. Most of her staff have backgrounds in both cosmetology and barbering, while others have experience specializing in men's haircuts. Having professionals with both skill sets allows the shop to serve a wide variety of clients and hair types. A few of her barbers also cut women's hair, making the shop a versatile destination for the entire family. "I am so proud of my staff, which I consider my family. God has gifted me with the right people. CON'T



They are more than staff and I love them all so dearly and they bring so much joy to my life," says Dawn.

Above all, Dawn and the staff have the utmost respect and gratitude for our veterans and first responders. "We consider it an honor to serve anyone who has dedicated themselves to



protecting our country or our communities. As a small token of our appreciation, we proudly offer all veterans and first responders a \$5 discount on our services," said Dawn.

Whether you're stopping in for a fresh cut, a traditional shave, or simply friendly conversation, Dawn wants every visit to feel comfortable and welcoming. You can call her at: 208.819.7425. The website is: <https://buckshotbarberbebadass.com/athol-location.html>

Red Flag Warning By Mike Lee

It's that time of year, fire season. We used to complain about farmers burning their fields every fall because the smoke ruined our beautiful summer weather.

Now, it seems fire season lasts from July through October. Of course, there are literally 10 times more people around and people start 10 times more fires than nature does.

But really, this is starting to interfere with boating season! Maybe we'll get a clue. Because oddly, it seems that houses burn while well watered vegetation survives.

Take a walk around your house and look at it through the eyes of a fire. What is going to catch fire? How easily could your house burn?

Seeing all those homes burn in Spokane brings it home. It's not just the houses that are lost. It's the history inside them, the photographs, keepsakes, family treasures and memories that can never be replaced.

You can do what you can: clean up, clean out and clean around your house. And even then, you may still be vulnerable. A pile of dry leaves tucked under CONT.



a deck, an open vent or a small opening can give burning embers a place to land. Those embers can travel far ahead of a fire, looking for their next place to start. Keep leaves and pine needles off the roof and out of gutters, trim branches away from your home, move firewood and other flammable materials away from the walls, keep grass and weeds cut short too.

Will your house burn? Hopefully not. But fire season is a good reminder to take a look around

and get rid of the things you've been meaning to clean up anyway.

You may even be thinking about downsizing or finally getting rid of all that stuff you've accumulated over the years but never use.

But trust me—fire is not the way to do it.

Who Gets Your Vote?

Each year the Council honors an individual for exemplary service to the community. The chosen honoree name will be engraved on a plaque that hangs in the Community Center. Past Honorees are:

2007	Hobart Jenkins
2008	Terry Shephard
2009	Skip Wilcox
2010	Linda Hackbarth
2011	Bruce and Judy Robinson
2012	Dorothy 'Zak' Zakrajsek
2013	Sheryl Puckett
2014	Chuck Murray
2015	Sharon Meyer
2016	Sue and Bob Rickel
2017	Ralph Jones
2018	Gary MacDonald
2019	None
2020	Marlys Blagden
2021	Liz Justus
2022	Ali Spahn
2023	Laurie Mauser
2024	Jackie Lloyd
2025	Judi White

For more information go to: <https://bayviewcommunitycouncil.org/communitarians/>
Please submit your recommendation with a paragraph on why you feel they're a worthy nomination to: Marlys Blagden at: marlyskb@gmail.com Deadline is: September 15.

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Age Related Hearing Loss

By Bayview's Retired Dr. John Charyk



Hearing loss among older adults is a common problem but vastly under treated. About one in five people ages 65 to 74 and more than half of those over 75 have disabling hearing loss, yet among adults ages 70 and older who could benefit from hearing aids, only about 30% have ever used them.

Hearing loss can lead to an aversion to going out in groups because it becomes so difficult to participate in conversation. This in turn can contribute to social isolation, depression, low self-esteem and cognitive decline. Thus, there can be a tremendous negative impact not only on the quality of life of an affected individual, but also on their spouse and other family members.

The medical term for age-related hearing loss is presbycusis (prez-bee-koo-sis). The hallmark of presbycusis is progressive, symmetric loss of high-frequency hearing over many years. Typical symptoms include the inability to hear or understand speech in a crowded or noisy environment, difficulty understanding consonants, and particular difficulty hearing high-pitched voices or noises.

Many patients will wait years before seeking help for presbycusis and are often brought to medical attention at the insistence of family members. This may be due to the insidious onset of the disorder, the negative stigma associated with hearing aid use, or a rationalization that some degree of hearing loss is inevitable. But the fact is that appropriately fit hearing aids can benefit most patients with presbycusis.

In terms of prevention, it's important to be aware that loud noise exposure throughout life can hasten the progression of presbycusis and increase its severity. Thus, it is important to use ear protection such as earplugs or earmuffs when exposed to loud noise, such as when using power tools, lawnmowers, etc, even hairdryers, and keep personal music players at lower levels.

Turkey Anyone

The State of Idaho wants to know if you've seen any turkeys lately and they've set up a link to submit your observations: <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/c4a0aa2a4b374bbf9200a00cc4e4764d>
Idaho is among the top states for turkey population. The Idaho Fish & Game brought the first turkeys into the state in 1961. We have them to thank, or not.

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