

KVTY-FM

Annual Community Involvement

A Snapshot of Our 2019 Community Efforts



Y-105

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Our Community Service Summary

Y-105 (KVTY-FM), under the careful eye of Program Director Alex Bensching, prides itself on being a community touchstone, and bridging many points of interest in our community.

Beyond providing the perfect soundtrack for anything from taking a long drive through our beautiful region to boating with friends on a sunny summer day, we take special care in developing and promoting events that bring together the diverse populations to whom we broadcast.

Our staff are active members in the communities they serve. That's why we've provided our region's fireworks show for more than three decades. It is also why we organize a week-long blood drive in July, during a high time of need. You are just as likely to find us stocking shelves at a local food bank as hearing us broadcast live from the LCSC campus during welcome week or during the NAIA World Series.

We are thrilled to promote the hard work of our integral nonprofit organizations, and relish the opportunity to not only provide them with music to help the day go by, but to also lend a hand wherever needed to ensure the happiness, health, and safety of each and every one of our community members.

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'Coffee Talk' Morning Show with Al Pal

Every weekday morning, Program Director Alex Bensching (Al Pal) hosts the 'Coffee Talk' morning show on KVTY-FM (Y-105FM). Alex welcomes guests to the studio throughout the year to share the spotlight, promote their events, and champion their causes. Some of those in-studio interviews in 2019 are below:

Morning Show Guest - January 31

Judy Fairley, Valley Art Center

Fairly joined the Morning Show to talk about Heart for Art happening at the Valley Art Center during the month of February. Proceeds from the event fund classes for the community at the Valley Art Center.

Morning Show Guest - February 19

Nancy McIntosh, Lewiston Civic Theatre

Lewiston Civic Theatre's Executive Director Nancy McIntosh appeared on 'Coffee Talk' for an informative interview and to invite the community to join in this year's iteration of their annual Fine Arts Gala, the organization's largest fundraising event

Morning Show Guest - February 21

Amanda Wilhelm, YWCA

Wilhelm was interviewed by Alex to promote the annual 'SOUPport our Shelter' fundraiser. The unique benefit for the local YWCA Shelter hosts a friendly competition between local law enforcement agencies serving soup from custom hand-painted bowls. Each bowl is decorated by volunteers throughout the year, and the event feeds over 1,500 people.

Morning Show Guest - April 11

Jason Martin, Diamonds and Dreams

Martin joined Alex on the 'Coffee Talk' morning show to promote the Diamonds and Dreams promotion in cooperation with the local Chevrolet dealership. The Diamonds and Dreams promotion, hosted by regional Chevrolet dealers, gives the chance for local baseball fields to apply for a chance at a \$20,000 makeover to help local baseball and softball programs grow.

Morning Show Guest - April 15

Angie Weiland Light, Lewis Clark State College Center for Arts and History

Giving listeners something to look forward to at the end of the workday, Angie joined Alex on the morning show to speak about 'Grapes and Grains', an annual event celebrating local wineries and breweries. 'Grapes and Grains' is part of the larger Dogwood Festival, which is hosted by Lewis Clark State College and showcases the best in regional arts, music, and food.

Morning Show Guest - April 23

Debbie Fitzgerald, Lewis Clark State College Center for Arts and History

Debbie joined Alex to wrap up talks on Dogwood Festival with the final event of the month-long celebration of arts and culture, Art Under the Elms. Art Under the Elms features artisan booths on the gorgeous lawn of the local college.

Morning Show Guest - May 16

Allison Beck, Lewis Clark State College

Beck was on 'Coffee Talk' to promote the Hometown Pep Rally and the Avista NAIA World Series Volunteer Social. This event kicks off the NAIA World Series hosted by the Lewis Clark State College Warriors Baseball team.

Morning Show Guest - May 17

Shawn Stubbors, City of Lewiston

Local engineer Shawn Stubbors visited Y-105 to inform Lewiston residents of the upcoming Water and Waste Water Bond and its impact on their community.

Morning Show Guest - May 30

Lori Ready and Ron Gorley, WA-ID Volunteer Center

Lori and Ron represented the WA-ID Volunteer Center to promote the upcoming LC Valley Summer Games. The games focus on lifelong wellness and are open for participation by anyone 40 years or older.

Morning Show Guest - May 31

Amanda Wilhelm, YWCA

Wilhelm was interviewed by Alex to promote the second annual Embrace Race Color Run. This fun run is held to raise funds for and awareness of the services offered by the YWCA.

Morning Show Guest - June 10

Thea Skalicky, First Step 4 Life Recovery Center

First Step 4 Life, a nonprofit addiction treatment and recovery organization, invited the community to their open house to showcase their new Crisis Response Center.

Morning Show Guest - June 27 & July 2

Chief Budd Hurd of the Lewiston Police Department and Chief Travis Myklebust of the Lewiston Fire Department

Chief Hurd and Chief Myklebust were featured guests leading up to the 4th of July and encouraged listeners to follow the laws and safety procedures when using fireworks. They also shared information about Safe and Sane fireworks usage and outlined the particular laws governing fireworks in their communities.

Morning Show Guest - July 12

Max and Lane, Acting Out Youth Company of the Lewiston Civic Theatre

Max and Lane joined Alex to talk about the upcoming Aladdin musical at the Lewiston Civic Theatre, as well as an upcoming car wash to support the Acting Out Youth Company.

Morning Show Guest - September 12

Kristin Lincoln, Washington-Idaho Symphony

Lincoln returned to the studio to promote the first concert of the WA-ID Symphony's 48th Season, featuring beloved selections from the stage and silver screen.

Morning Show Guest - December 3

Scott Baldwin and Tony Mastroberardino, Twin County United Way

Scott and Tony visited Y-105 to talk about Giving Tuesday. Giving Tuesday supports the efforts of the Twin County United Way and the many local nonprofit organizations that receive funding and other resources through this integral institution.

Morning Show Guest - December 5

Tim Barker and Scott Corbin, Twin County United Way

Tim and Scott C. joined Alex to recap how Giving Tuesday went for Twin County United Way and to encourage listeners to keep giving all year long.

Local News

In 2019, KVTY-FM aired five (:90) second local newscasts per day. Every newscast offered relevant local news, including weather, school closures, traffic, road conditions, and touched on other regional topics.

With more than 30 years of reporting experience in the Lewis Clark Valley, News Director John Thomas has the experience and local knowledge to keep residents informed about the events they find most important.

January

- *The Straw that Broke the Sea Turtle's Back:* Washington State Legislature works on bill that would ban the use of plastic straws in the entire state.
- *Who's Responsibility to Make He or She a His or Hers?* :The State of Idaho appeals a federal judge's ruling that the State must provide gender reassignment surgery to an inmate at the State Correctional Center.

February

- *State Funded, Federal Funded, Not Funded:* Idaho Supreme Court rejects a challenge to Medicaid expansion in Idaho, dismissing a lawsuit filed by the Idaho Freedom Foundation.
- *What Goes Up Must Go 'Boom':* A possible ban of aerial fireworks is contemplated at the Clarkston City Council.

March

- *Fired-Up Over Firearm Controversy:* Washington State Patrol offers a bump stock buyback program.
- *No Way Around Intersection Re-Alignment:* Lewiston receives a facelift with work starting on the intersection of Highway 12 and 21st Street.

April

- *Flashback from the Nineteen-Fifties:* The largest measles outbreak since 1990 confirmed in Washington State.
- *Dude Where's My Car?:* Washington State Patrol adds extra patrols on April 20th for cannabis-related driving infractions

May

- *Remembering the Wisdom of Chief Joseph:* Culture Day celebrated at Nez Perce National Historical Park.
- *Take Me Out to the Ballgame:* Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston hosts NAIA World Series once again.

June

- *Quarantine for Two, Please:* Measles case confirmed in Latah County, Idaho, with a second family member later confirmed to have contracted the disease, as well.
- *Local Officer Attacked While Off-Duty:* Nez Perce Tribe Police officer Josh Rigney was shot, off-duty, and his department held a fundraiser for he and his family in response.

July

- *Get Out the Way:* Idaho State Police help enforce the 'Move Over' law, which helps ensure the safety of operators of state and emergency vehicles on the side of roadways.
- *Only you...:* Potlatch Deltic Timber Co. starts burn-ban on campfires in Idaho timberlands at the height of fire season.

August

- *Lentil Ice Cream, Anyone?:* Britnee Christen, Director of the National Lentil Festival, provides details on the region's largest tourism event, the National Lentil Festival in Pullman, WA..
- *Cops & Robbers or Cops & Kiddos:* National Night Out Against Crime aims to unite community members and law enforcement personal in the prevention of crime throughout the community.

September

- *No fun, Got a Game:* local juvenile male taken into custody for making threats against one of the local middle schools.
- *Safety First:* Moscow, Lewiston and Pullman, three cities in our Quad-City region ranked safest by backgroundchecks.org.

October

- *Friend or Faux:* Asotin County Library librarian Erin Kolb hosts evening workshop on how to distinguish fake news from the real thing.
- *Protecting Those who Cannot Protect Themselves:* Nez Perce County Prosecutor's Office works with community to establish the new Animal Cruelty Unit.

November

- *Gone Too Soon:* Pullman Police investigate the death of a WSU fraternity member possibly alcohol-related.
- *Honoring the Fallen Creatively:* Long-time Clarkston, WA resident Sherry Domaskin brings Wreaths Across America to Clarkston's Vinland Cemetery where over a thousand wreaths were installed on Veteran's gravestones.

December

- *Protecting the Young:* Idaho State Liquor stores ran a campaign with the aid of stickers placed on bags to remind adults of the legal consequences of providing alcohol to minors.
- *Too Much Heat:* Local Indian-cuisine restaurant engulfed in flames on a Monday night in Beautiful Downtown Lewiston. Lewiston Fire Department and local volunteer departments were able to extinguish the fire and save connecting buildings and businesses.

Local Sports

KVTV takes pride in providing quality coverage of stories near and dear to our listeners' hearts: local sports. Inland Northwest Sports focuses on local athletics by seeking out upcoming sporting events, rankings, registration deadlines, and great sports stories from Lewis Clark State College, area high schools, junior highs, Little League, American Legion Baseball, the Lewis Clark Amateur Hockey Association, and others. The station broadcasts sports once an hour during the morning show on weekday mornings, totaling (4:00) minutes per day.

Local Weather

KVTV provided listeners with local weather updates (18) times each day, (:30) seconds at a time, ensuring our listeners knew whether to pack an umbrella or wear a sundress — and sometimes both.

Special Features: Think Pink Month

With October being Breast Cancer Awareness month, KVTV dedicates as much airtime and social media updates as possible to champion breast cancer related events, share personal stories and tributes, and provide information about breast cancer and prevention. KVTV also features local experts who share what it is like to live with breast cancer and how to change your habits to live healthier every day.

Special Features: Pet of the Week

Barks and meows interrupt the music each Wednesday morning when Abby from the Lewis Clark Animal Shelter brings in a special dog or cat to the KVTV studio to help find that particular animal a forever home, as well as raise awareness of and information about the many loving pets available for adoption. This year, 621 cats, 277 dogs, and 3 guinea pigs have been adopted from the Lewis- Clark Animal Shelter!

Public Service Announcements

KVTV devoted 2,796 total minutes of on-air time in 2019 to public service announcements. Of those, 1,115 were paid and 1,681 were unpaid airtime donations.



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Event Name/Date: The 19th Annual Super Sale (February 16th)

Benefiting Group: The Asotin County Food Bank and the Community Action Partnership Food Pantry; Opportunities Unlimited, Inc.; The Habitat for Humanity Store, an ongoing fundraiser for Lewis & Clark Habitat for Humanity.

The Station is: Primary Organizer

Description: Our biggest community event of the year...and growing! KVTY, with sister-stations KMOK and KRLC, open the Nez Perce County Fairgrounds pavilion to local business, in-home business, nonprofit organizations, and community members looking for an outlet to sell their wares. We accept food donations at the door as part of their entry fee to benefit our local food bank, and everyone has the option of donating items to local secondhand stores that serve as fundraising arms for local nonprofit organizations. Goods donated help keep the shelves of these secondhand stores stocked for the rest of the year.

On-air support before the event: Over 180 minutes of recorded commercials and live mentions.

On-air support during/after the event: Over 12 minutes of on-air support over two-hour live broadcast.

Online Support: 2 Facebook Posts.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 20 hours.

Event results: 3,200 people, mostly families saving money by finding deals and lost treasures, were packed wall-to-wall in the fair pavilion. In addition to great shopping, many local nonprofit organizations used the Super Sale to raise funds for their group and to share information. The Community Action Partnership Food Pantry and the Asotin County Food Bank hauled in over a thousand pounds of food. Over the last 15 years, the two local food banks have hauled an estimated 20,000 pounds of food at this event. Opportunities Unlimited Inc. accepted donations of leftover items, which filled over three full trucks. All donations help stock the Opportunities Unlimited Inc. thrift store which helps fund their nonprofit services.



Event Name/Date: Art Under the Elms (April 27th)

Benefiting Group: Lewis Clark State College

The Station is: Support Sponsor

Description: Lewis Clark State College's Center for Arts and History holds its annual fundraiser, 'Art Under the Elms' which hosts dozens of artisans, live music, food vendors and a community-wide celebration of Spring and arts.

On-air support before the event: 51 minutes of recorded advertisements before the event.

On-air support during/after the event: Two-hour live broadcast at the event.

Online Support: Posts of event during event on Facebook page

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 4 hours.

Event results: Art Under the Elms is the signature event of the month-long Dogwood Festival, which celebrates the art and culture of the Lewis-Clark Valley and welcomes over 14,000 people to enjoy music, food, beverages, and arts of all stripes.

Event Name/Date: Jog for Jugs (May 11th)

Benefiting Group: Gina Quesenberry Foundation

The Station is: Support Sponsor

Description: Jog for Jugs raises money to help area breast cancer patients in need, offering financial assistance with chemo treatments, heating bills, wigs, whatever the need may be. Our hope is that this foundation will bring a measure of comfort to people suffering with this devastating disease, and to allow them to focus on their treatment.

On-air support before the event: On-air shout outs one week leading up to event.

On-air support during/after the event: 12 minutes of on-air support during the two-hour live broadcast at the event.

Online Support: Day-of posts during event on Facebook page.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 4 hours.

Event results: Hundreds of runners, decked out in bright pink t-shirts and accessories, took off with speed and smiles to start the five-mile run! As the groups crossed the finish line, they still had smiles, and slightly damp shirts. Running in the Jog for Jugs were breast cancer survivors,, groups showing support for their friends or family, families running together, even if the youngest were joining in strollers, and individuals running for the sake of running and promoting healthy lifestyles. The 2019 Jog for Jugs raised money for local cancer patients, shared information about breast cancer, and brought together a community to create awareness and unity in the fight against breast cancer.

Event Name/Date: The 4 Hour Food Drive (June 22nd)

Benefiting Group: St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank, Idaho Foodbank, YWCA of the Lewis Clark Valley, Daughters of the Nile, and First Step 4 Life.

The Station is: Primary Organizer

Description: Since 2014, IdaVend Broadcasting station KVTY has posed the '4 Hour Food Drive' as a challenge for local, nonprofit organizations. During the '4 Hour Food Drive', randomly selected nonprofit organizations will work an hour each to gather as many donations as possible on behalf of their group.

On-air support before the event: 95 minutes of on-air support

On-air support during/after the event: 12 minutes of air time over the course of 2 hours during live broadcast.

Online Support: 17 posts leading up to, during, and after the event.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 10 hours.

Event results: Four local nonprofits brought their A-game and showed their competitive streaks during the 6th Annual '4 Hour Food Drive' on Saturday, June 22nd at the Lewiston Orchards Rosauers Supermarket. Together, the four nonprofits brought in over 470 pounds of canned goods, 442 individually boxed items, and \$317.79 to help the St. Vincent de Paul food bank and the Lewiston branch of the Idaho Foodbank.



Event Name/Date: Community Spirit Fireworks Show (July 4th)

Benefiting Group: Inland Northwest Blood Center, Combat Vets Motorcycle group

The Station is: Primary Organizer

Description: Over 34 years ago, a nonprofit organization formed by employees of KVTY and sister stations KMOK-FM and KRLC-AM began the Community Spirit Fireworks Show. Now, the Independence Day Celebration at Adams Field is still a picture-perfect tribute to the United States of America. The evening's festivities included a showcase of local country music talents, a performance by American Bonfire, and the biggest, loudest, and most dazzling fireworks show for 300 miles!

On-air support before the event: 88 minutes of recorded public service announcements, in addition to heavy promotion by local on-air staff.

On-air support during/after the event: KVTY hosted a trumbo-cast with sister stations KRLC-AM and KMOK-FM for 2 hours spreading the excitement of the live event throughout the Lewis Clark Valley.

Online Support: Promotion of Community Spirit Fireworks Show event page.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 15 hours.

Event results: In celebration of Independence Day, over 4,000 packed the local high school football field, sprawling on blankets, lounging on lawn chairs, and otherwise enjoying the festive, family friendly affair. The generosity of those who attended resulted in more than \$300 for the local Vitalant (previously known as Inland Northwest Blood Center).

Event Name/Date: Community Wide Blood Drive (July 8th - 12th)

Benefiting Group: Vitalant (Formally Inland Northwest Blood Center)

The Station is: Primary Organizer

Description: Summer is particularly taxing on our area's blood supply, so KVTY-FM joined with sister-station KMOK-FM and Vitalant to host the annual Community Wide Blood Drive the week after July 4th. All donations at Vitalant stay within our region and help local hospitals. biggest, loudest, and most dazzling fireworks show for 300 miles!

On-air support before the event: Facebook posts and shout outs. live reads during shows.

On-air support during/after the event: 24 minutes of on-air support during the event over the course of four days with one hour remotes each day.

Online Support: One post to Facebook.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 12 hours.

Event results: Over a hundred and twenty-five individuals showed up throughout the week in support of the Community Wide Blood Drive in addition to regular donors. The week-long blood drive helped raise the donations during a usual donation-slump, just after 4th of July. All donations raised during the blood drive helped local hospitals.

Event Name/Date: Lewis Clark State College Welcome Fair (August 21st)

Benefiting Group: Lewis Clark State College (LCSC)

The Station is: Support Sponsor

Description: Several years ago, student organizers at Lewis Clark State College needed help promoting their welcome fair. Continuing our symbiotic relationship, KVTY joined up with LCSC's Student Activities and Student Government to welcome students to a new year and to invite the community to join in the happenings on campus. Over 50 local businesses and organizations came to the outdoor event to share information on available services, products, and activities. KVTY helped with the prize drawings and exceed the festivities.

On-air support before the event: 5 minutes of live on-air mentions for the two weeks leading up to the event.

On-air support during/after the event: : 12 minutes of on-air support during two-hour live broadcast on location.

Online Support: No social media posts.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 6 hours.

Event results: Students and staff of Lewis Clark State College met with staff of KVTY while playing fun games during the 3-hour event. KVTY also broadcasted live on location to share the happenings with students who were not on campus and the general public. The LCSC Welcome Fair is a great chance for new and returning students to get to know businesses, organizations, and community members of the LC Valley.

Event Name/Date: 6th Annual RiverFest (September 7th)

Benefiting Group: RiverFest organization, Port of Clarkston, Port of Lewiston, Rotary Club of Clarkston, WA.

The Station is: Support Sponsor

Description: The Port of Clarkston manages its 120-acre waterfront site for a diversity of business tenants, emphasizing economic development, through the shipment of goods to and from the Inland Northwest, tourism, and recreational development. RiverFest was created to celebrate the Lewis-Clark Valley's ties to the local rivers that converge between Lewiston, ID and Clarkston, WA. The one-day event takes place at Granite Lake park in Clarkston, situated on the banks of the Clearwater River and Snake River confluence. RiverFest is free to all and showcases many local nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and business that are connected to our rivers in one form or another.

On-air support before the event: 27 minutes of on-air support as well as mentions during shows.

On-air support during/after the event: : 20 minutes of on-air support during three-hour remote.

Online Support: Posted videos/pictures on Facebook

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 10 hours.

Event results: Hundreds of families flocked to Granite Lake Park in Clarkston to enjoy fun for the whole family that included educational activities, live music, free hot dogs and ice cream, and much more.

Event Name/Date: Nez Perce County Fair (September 19th -22nd)

Benefiting Group: Nez Perce County Fair, 4-H, and FFA

The Station is: Support Sponsor

Description: The fair is a celebration of the meaningful qualities that make life in Nez Perce County so special. It is an opportunity for young and old alike to exhibit their talents and hard work. Countless activities over a range of disciplines were available, including 4-H livestock, horticulture, home economics, fine arts, and entertainment.

On-air support before the event: 87 minutes of recorded and live promotional updates.

On-air support during/after the event: : 120 minutes of live updates during the 11 hour on-location broadcast.

Online Support: 4 posts to Facebook.

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 32 hours.

Event results: More than 21,000 people in the community attended the Nez Perce County Fair to participate in a wide range of family and child-centric activities, view vendor booths, and be a part of something that makes the Nez Perce County such a wonderful place to be.

Event Name/Date: The 10th Annual Holiday Heroes Food Drive (December 14th)

Benefiting Group: Idaho Food Bank.

The Station is: Primary Organizer

Description: No one should go hungry, especially during the holiday season, and it is everyone's responsibility to make sure each of us has the sustenance they need. KVTY teamed up with our sister stations, KRLC-AM and KMOK-FM, local grocery store Rosauers, and community business volunteers to load up bags of staple food items. KVTY staff helped to prepare the bags of food for the food drive and also invested a full day at Rosauers creating a fun and energetic atmosphere encouraging customers to add the cost of one or more bags to their purchase total in order to help fight hunger in our area. After the fundraiser, team members volunteered to pass out bags of food and turkeys to those in need.

On-air support before the event: 126 minutes of recorded commercials and live mentions.

On-air support during/after the event: : 15 minutes of on-air support during two-hour remote during the event.

Online Support: 25 Facebook posts and shares

Total staff hours contributed: The staff contributed 20 hours.

Event results: The atmosphere was electric with more than 30 volunteers crowding the local grocery store on a Saturday morning. Volunteers bagged groceries, greeted shoppers, and most of all, encouraged donations of \$20 to buy a bag for a family in need. In total 324 bags of food were purchased and the Idaho Food Bank paired those bags up with turkeys donated from other local businesses for a total of 400 meals for local families. Cumulatively, the food drive has resulted in over 2,000 families guaranteed a holiday meal over ten years.

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Crystal Award Application Section 4 Other Community Service Efforts

Along with Program Director, Alex, KVTY has (6) part-time broadcasters, for a total of (7) employees keeping our region informed and entertained. Below are some highlights of their individual community service efforts in 2019:

Idaho Foodbank

Staff Appearances (non-paid): Rachel Walsh

Station Employee Volunteer Work: Part-time staff member Rachel Walsh donated time each week to help at the local Idaho Foodbank branch, stocking shelves and helping patrons.

Radio Advertising Grants

KVTY also benefits nonprofits with our Radio Advertising Grant program. KVTY provided selected organizations with marketing training and air-time. Every month, at least 50 minutes of our commercial rotation is dedicated to our community through Radio Advertising Grants. The organizations KVTY partnered with in 2019 are listed below.



- Lewis Clark State College, 'MLK Jr. and Idaho Human Rights Day' (Jan 14th) Volunteers from all over the Lewis Clark Valley converged for the annual MLK Jr. and Idaho Human Rights Day of volunteering activities and a celebratory meal and performance. Each year, over 250 volunteers sign up for projects around the community and then wrap up the day with a meal and performance at the YWCA building.
- The Valley Art Center, 'Heart for Art' (February) Local and regional artists hosted a month-long art show in support of the Valley Art Center. Proceeds from all art sold during the event helped to fund art classes for the community in the ensuing year.
- YWCA of the Lewis Clark Valley, 'SOUPort Our Shelter' (February 24) Local chefs come out to 'SOUPort Our Shelter', a fundraiser that cooks up and sells soup for the region's primary domestic violence shelter. The Lewiston fire and police departments also tie on aprons to serve up the soup for this great cause.
- Lewiston Civic Theatre, 'Fine Arts Gala' (March 2) Guests enjoyed dinner and entertainment at the annual 'Fine Arts Gala' and helped raise funds for the upcoming season.
- Lewiston Library Foundation, 'Lewiston Library Gala' (April 13th) Locals flock to the Lewiston Library Gala, the largest fundraiser of the year for this integral foundation.
- Inland Harmony Chorus, 'Sing and Celebrate' (May 16th) The regions longest-running a capella group, Inland Harmony Chorus, invited listeners to a concert celebrating 50 years of a capella joy hosted at the Silverthorne Theater at Lewis Clark State College.
- Monastery of St. Gertrude's, 'Raspberry Festival' (Aug 2) A weekend chock full of everything 'raspberry', the rural community of Cottonwood and the surrounding towns help raise funds for the Museum at the Monastery of St. Gertrude's, as well as serving as an important weekend of unity for these isolated communities.
- Hog Haven, 'Battle of the Bands' (Aug 15) There's something about live music that gets people fired up, the sound of the tube-set amplifier, timing not being perfect, but sounding all the better for it. The inaugural Hog Heaven Battle of the Bands at the Eastside Marketplace had a good crowd for the first-time event, which was family friendly while also hosting a bar for those 21 and older
- Pullman Chamber of Commerce 'Lentil Festival' (Aug 16 & 17) Lentil ice cream, anyone? How about the world's largest bowl of lentil chili? If you're a bit wary, we understand, but it's a staple at the National Lentil Festival! The Pullman Chamber of Commerce throws the biggest party on the Palouse every August to recognize the history and agricultural impact of dry crop farming in our area, with the humble lentil as its shining star.

- RiverFest, 'RiverFest 2019' (Sept 7th) In hopes of connecting the community and local organizations and businesses that rely on the local waterways for their livelihood, the 6th Annual RiverFest event was held on the banks of the Clearwater River and Snake River confluence. The free community event was a grand excursion for all.
- Twin River Special Olympics, 'Gala Fundraiser' (October 5) Our local chapter of Special Olympics held a fundraiser with a silent auction, door prizes, and live music in support of area athletes.
- Hell's Canyon Boat Club, 'Lighted boat parade' (November 11th) The Saturday before Thanksgiving each year means the 'Lighted boat parade' on the Snake River between Lewiston, ID and Clarkston, WA.
- Community Action Partnership Food Bank, Asotin County Food Bank, 'Hometown Business Food Drive' (Nov 18-22) Over 50 local businesses joined together, led by American Insurance, to gather food during the weeklong food drive for local food banks.



- Asotin (WA) Chamber of Commerce, 'Lighted Holiday Parade' (December 14) The chamber of commerce for the small community hosts the annual parade which runs down Main Street each December and provides the official start to the holiday season in Asotin
- 'Little Women the Musical' (November & December) University of Idaho Theatre Arts held several performances of the fun spin on a classic in the month of November and December.
- St. Vincent DePaul Society and Toys for Tots, 'Christmas Connection/ Toys for Tots' (December) The local Marine Corp.'s Toys for Tots pairs up with the 'Christmas Connection' project each November and December to collect and distribute toys for more than 500 families in our region.

