November 2017 Newsletter

VILLAGE HALL: 228-7262 (8-4 M-F) MAINTENANCE SHED: 228-7361 POLICE: 228-9044

The Village Hall will be closed on the following days due to holidays: November 10th, 23rd & 24th.

REMINDER: Any organization intending to run a raffle, poker run, etc. in 2018 are required, by ordinance and Illinois state statute to complete an application and obtain a permit. The Village welcomes annual permit applications in January. If you have any questions, please contact the Village Hall.

The new water tower is fully operational. Water pressure has increased. Please check all screens on your faucets and shower heads to be sure they are clean. A simple cleaning with CLR (Calcium, Lime, and Rust) cleaner will help if you are having issues. If you don't like harsh chemicals, vinegar may also be used. Soak the screens/shower heads in a bowl or ziplock bag.

If you pay your water bill with cash and need a receipt (besides your invoice stub), you must pay in person Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. -4 p.m. A receipt will be given to you at that time.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING – SANTA CLAUS

The Aviston Christmas Elves are busy decorating our Village. We want to thank those who have contributed money or large displays this year: Aviston Park District, Catholic Holy Family Society, Aviston American Legion, Aviston American Legion Auxiliary, Julie Stockmann, Brad Litteken family, Scott Gebke family, and Melanie Korte family. We appreciate the work of the painters who helped this year: Joan Toeben, Aggie Strieker, and Bea Strieker. Thank you to Woltering Welding for the repairs made! If you would like to help set up or take down displays or if you have anything you would like to donate to the Village display, please contact Diane Woltering at 228-7508.

Come to the Vintage Hall & Kopff Park on **Sunday**, **November 26th** for photos with Santa, from approximately 1:00-5:0 0and lighting of the Christmas tree at dusk (approximately 5:30). Carolers will also be on hand to get you in the Holiday Spirit.

AVISTON LEGION

As you know --- The Queen of Hearts drawing is going very well and the grand prize hasn't gone out yet (over \$780,000 now). Parking is at a premium --- please be patient when coming and going from the Legion. Tickets must be purchased by 7:30 p.m. **each Wednesday** with the drawing held at 8:00. A 50/50 drawing is also held with the winner being drawn at 8:30. Sandwiches/wings/nachos/Chili are also being served in case you're hungry.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

October Winners: Felix Wilke, Jane Gebhart, Neil Hamon. **SAVE THE DATE** February 10th, **2018**. A \$60 ticket includes monthly drawings from August 10th – February 18th, dinner for two, free beer and soda all evening, music, lots of fun, along with chances to win up to \$2,000 the night of the event. It's the cheapest night out you will ever have, plus so many chances to win. Only 500 tickets are sold so get yours before they're gone!! You do not need to be present to win any of the drawings and your name is thrown back in each month. 100% of the profits are spent on park improvements. In 2016, we raised \$11,500, which was used to complete the new sidewalk around the Aviston Park. Thanks for your continued support! Contact: Kim (Kurt) Rakers @ 604-6100, Anna (Chad) Kuhn @ 304-7725, Karrie (Mark) Rakers @ 420-0330, Leslie (Brad) Eversgerd @ 978-6103, Tracy (Deej) Sessions @ 972-0854 or Julie (Brandon) Wade @ 616-4633 if you would like to purchase a ticket.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

TV recycling will be on December 2nd from 8-10 a.m. Please do not drop off TVs at the shed (down the hill towards the Village dump) any other times. If it continues, the Boy Scouts will have to discontinue the recycling program. It costs them to provide this service!!!

AVISTON GRADE SCHOOL

SCRIP ORDERS: If you'd like to get some gift cards for your Christmas gift-giving, and help out the school at the same time, the school has multiple order dates for November & December. Order forms are available on the PTCC website

<u>www.avistonk-8.org</u> and the in the wall file organizer in the front entrance foyer. Order form due dates are **November 14th** and **December 1st &** 12th.

DISCOUNT CARDS: Discount cards went on sale November 1st. They are \$10 each and have some great offers including a free 6-pack of soda from Excel and a free small blizzard from DQ in Lebanon. You may see all the offers listed on the discount cards on the order form this year so please check it out. Spread the word that these are now on sale as they would make fabulous Christmas gifts as well.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 11 Veterans Day Activities in Breese
- 26 KC Breakfast at Legion Pictures with Santa/Tree Lighting
- 28 Zoning Board Meeting

DECEMBER

- 2 Boy Scout TV Recycling
- 4 Village Board Meeting

U.S. POST OFFICE HOLIDAY MAILING

The deadlines are as follows:

12/14 – USPS Retail Ground (Ground service for less-than-urgent deliveries and oversized packages 12/19 – First-Class Mail (Service for standardsized, single-piece envelopes and small packages weighing up to 13 oz. with delivery in 3 business days or less.

12/20 – Priority Mail (Domestic service in 1, 2 or 3 business days based on where the package is mailed and where it's being sent, variety of flat-rate options.

12/22 – Priority Mail Express (Fastest domestic service, guaranteed overnight scheduled delivery to most locations. Some restrictions and exceptions apply. Please note – Priority Mail Express postage refund eligibility is adjusted for shipments mailed between Dec 22^{nd} - 25^{th} .

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

