December 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: December 25th & January 1st.

KEYS FOUND: There were some keys turned into the Village Hall which were found on the road in the area of Jackson Lane & Mary Lane. If you think they're yours, come to the Village Hall to claim.

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. If you have any questions, please contact the Village Hall.

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.

Enclosed with the newsletter is your 2018 Recycling Calendar.

NOTICE TO LANDLORDS & TENANTS: We are trying to keep paperwork updated for who(m) is the current Landlord and the various properties owned. If you have bought or sold property which is being rented out, please stop by, call, or send a note to the Village Hall with the effected addresses. Tenants --- if you have a Landlord that is not from Aviston, please mention this to them also. Everyones cooperation is appreciated.

AVISTON LEGION

In case you didn't hear --- the Queen of Hearts was found and half the pot went out! The drawing/raffle will resume in March, 2018.

The Aviston Sons of American Legion (SAL) 2018 Black Tie & Talent Show will be on Saturday, **January 13,** 5:00 p.m. at Hidden Lake Winery. This formal event is a talent and glamour contest where \$8,000 in scholarships to 8 college bound contestants will be given away. Tickets for the event are \$40 each. Tickets include happy hour, 4course meal, talent contest and late night entertainment. Interested candidates can tryout at a **downselect** competition at Aviston Legion on Friday, **December 22nd** at 6:00 p.m. A 3-minute speech on a topic of contestant's choice and a talent demonstration is required. Any Clinton County resident who will attend college or trade school in 2018 can enter. For tickets or entry info, contact Jim Kues (228-7008) or Craig Timmermann (830-7737)

The American Legion Auxiliary rummage sale is coming up February 22-24. More info coming.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

November Winners: Steve & Carolyn Kampwerth, Charity Fuehne, Charles & Mary Litteken **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.

AVISTON GRADE SCHOOL

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.

1st NATIONAL BANK

There will be a 'Grand Re-Opening' Open House on Monday, December 18th at the newly remodeled bank at 500 W. Harrison starting at 10:00.

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

St. Francis Parish is in the process of photographing families for the parish photo directory. There are some good times still available. Each family photographed gets a free 8 X 10 and a copy of the directory. Follow the link on <u>stfrancisav.org</u> or on the St. Francis Church – Aviston, IL Facebook page or call Jackie Chiarolanza at 618-531-7373.

UPCOMING EVENTS DECEMBER

 $18 - 1^{st}$ National Bank Open House (10:00)

22 – SAL Downselect Talent Competition

25 – MERRY CHRISTMAS!

26 – Zoning Board Meeting, 7:30 JANUARY

1 – HAPPY NEW YEAR!

13 – SAL Black Tie & Talent Show

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} .

