

February 2018

Newsletter

VILLAGE HALL: 228-7262 (8-4 M-F)
MAINTENANCE SHED: 228-7361
POLICE: EMERGENCY: 9-1-1
Non-Emergency: 594-4555 (Clinton Co. Sheriffs Dispatch) – quickest way to reach a police officer.

DO NOT call Aviston Village Hall, Police Officers personal home or cell numbers, or Aviston Village officials. By calling these numbers, you will only delay a police response.

LOST AND FOUND:

-- A lightweight Forest Green hooded jacket was found at Kopff Field picnic tables and turned in. If you think it's yours, come to the Village Hall to claim.

REMINDER: Any organization intending to run any 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.

Village of Aviston **sewer** customers will see an increase to the minimum usage charge beginning with the March 1st billing. The increase of \$3.75 is to help cover higher operational expenses.

All Village residents will see an increase for **garbage/recycle** beginning with the April 1st billing. The new charges will be: In town - \$15.60; Out of town - \$21.00.

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.

AVISTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Reminder to get your Fire Department 50/50 raffle tickets in. The Early bird drawing was on January 8th and the winners were Madison Olliges & Austin Timmermann. The monthly drawing will be the last Monday of each month. Last year's payout was \$500/month. Tickets are \$10. Contact a fireman or send a check to 498 W. Railroad or drop off at City

Hall and the fire department will get you entered into the drawing. Thank you for your donation and your support.

AVISTON LEGION

The American Legion Auxiliary rummage sale will be held **February 22-24**. Donation dates are: 2/16 – 4-7p.m.; 2/17 – 9-12 noon; 2/18 – 12-4 p.m.; 2/19 – 12-7 p.m. NO TV's or mattresses!!! LOTS of help is needed --- even if only for a few hours – everyone is encouraged to lend a hand. You do not need to be an Auxiliary, SAL or Legion member to help. Volunteers are needed Sunday, 2/18 from 12-4 p.m., and 2/19 & 2/20 from 12-7 p.m. to sort and price donated items. There will be a bake sale on Thursday & Friday (2/22-23). All of the great Aviston cooks are encouraged to donate some baked goods. ALL volunteers who lend a hand and/or bring baked goods will be GREATLY appreciated!

The American Legion invites you to their all-you-can-eat Spring Pork Sausage and Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, March 18th, serving from 10:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Dine-in or carry-out. In addition to the meats, it includes sauerkraut and backbones, potatoes, vegetables, homemade pies and cakes and beverages

The Queen of Hearts ticket sales start on March 28th and the first drawing will be held on April 4th. The pot starts at \$544,744.00.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

January Winners: Ron & Sue Toennies, Charles Luitjohan, Fred Rohling. **The party will be February 10th, 2018.** A \$60 ticket includes monthly drawings until February, 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. 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, \$11,500 was used to complete the new sidewalk around the Aviston Park. 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.

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SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are available for high school seniors enrolling as full-time students in an accredited institution of higher education (College, Vocational or Technical). The funds have been made available via the Dorothy and Wilhelmine Ratermann Trusts for higher education scholarships and are awarded in their memory. Scholarships are intended to benefit students in "financial limbo". By this we mean students whose families have mid-level incomes and thus earn too little to pay for college outright, but earn too much to qualify for need-based grants or scholarships. Amounts are variable, but a scholarship of \$2,000 is not an unreasonable expectation. Scholarships are based on need, satisfactory academic performance, community and Church involvement, letters of recommendation, a short essay and an interview. Are you up for the challenge? Find more information and application forms on the parish web site at <http://www.stfrancisav.org/> Click on "Teen Space". Deadline is March 1, 2018.

AVISTON KHOURY LEAGUE

Registration forms for the summer Khoury League were recently sent by email and hard copy through Aviston Elementary. Forms can also be picked up at the Village Hall or are also be available on the Village website. The deadline for baseball and softball is March 16th and May 1st for T-Ball. If you have any questions, please contact Larry Hilmes at avistonyouthleague@yahoo.com or like/follow the Facebook site – Aviston Youth League.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

10 – Citizens for Aviston Dinner/Dance
22-24 – Legion Auxiliary Rummage Sale

MARCH

1 – Minimum usage sewer rate increase
1 – St. Francis of Assisi Ratermann Scholarship deadline
16 – Deadline for Khoury League baseball/softball
18 – Legion Pork Sausage & Beef Dinner
28 – Queen of Hearts ticket sales start

