

FEBRUARY 2020

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

VILLAGE NEWS:

LOST AND FOUND

Brown rimmed glasses found on bench at park.
Visit Village Hall to claim.

HELP WANTED

If you're interested in helping as part of a group of folks that check and clean Vintage Hall on weekends, please contact Village Hall for an application. After every event, the building is checked and cleaned as a follow-up for the next event. Typical clean-up takes less than an hour.

GRASS CUTTING

The Village is accepting applications for lawn/grass cutting. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older by April 1, 2020; able to pass a routine drug test; able to operate a large riding mower and do routine maintenance on the mowers. The anticipated start for this job will be as soon as lawn cutting is needed. Lawns to be cut include Aviston Community Park, Kopff Park, Village of Aviston properties and along roads and areas assigned. During peak times, lawns may need to be cut 4-5 days a week and a total of 6-8 hours per day. Applications can be picked up at the Aviston Village Hall M-F from 8-4. Application deadline is March 31st, 4:00 p.m. Applicant must be available to work through the end of the grass-cutting season.

VILLAGE HALL DROP BOX

As a reminder --- there is a drop box available at the Village Hall for your convenience in dropping off your water bill payment, Vintage Hall paperwork, anything else that you may want to drop off and you're not able to get to the Village Hall during office hours. It is emptied each day through the week.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Please be aware that there have been many scams going on. You may receive a call from people posing that they are with the Social Security Administration, IRS, or even your relative is in a foreign country and needs money. Do not send any money or release any personal information. **HANG UP!!! DON'T FALL FOR IT!!**

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

The Citizens for Aviston Dance will be held on **February 8th, 2020!** A \$70 ticket includes monthly drawings through February 8th, dinner for two, free beer and soda all evening, music from **Hair Syndicate**, 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, get yours before they are 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!

January winners (\$70 each): John Szoke, David & Cathie Schroeder, and Larry Markus.

Call Kim (Kurt) Rakers (604-6100), Ann (Chad) Kuhn (304-7725), Karrie (Mark) Rakers (420-0330), Leslie (Brad) Eversgerd (978-6103), Tracy (Deej) Session (972-0854), or Julie (Brandon) Wade (616-4633) if you would like to purchase a ticket.

AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION

The Queen of Hearts raffle is still going. Drawing is over \$15,XXX now. Tickets are on sale until 9:00 on days that the Club Room is open. They also are on sale early on Wednesdays (drawing date), beginning at 4:00. Drawings are at 8:00; tickets need to be purchased by 7:30 on that day. There are 2 early bird drawings where you can win 10 extra Queen of Hearts tickets (starting at 5:00). Wings are available for purchase on drawing nights. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Aviston American Legion invites you to their all-you-can-eat Spring Pork Sausage and Roast Beef dinner on Sunday, March 15th, serving from 10:30 AM to 6:00 PM. Dine in or carry-out. In addition to the meats, it includes sauerkraut and backbones, potatoes, vegetables, homemade pies and cakes and beverages.

AVISTON LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary rummage sale will be held Thursday & Friday, February 20-21, 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. and Saturday, February 22, 9 a.m. – noon. **Donation dates** are: 2/14 – 4-7p.m.; 2/15 – 9-noon; 2/16 – noon-4 p.m.; 2/17 – noon-7 p.m. We cannot accept TV's or mattresses!!! We need LOTS of help!! --- even if only for a couple 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, 2/16 from noon- 4 p.m., and 2/17 & 2/18 from 12-7 p.m. to sort and price donated items. There will be a bake sale on Thursday & Friday (2/20-21).

We encourage all of our AMAZING Aviston cooks to donate some baked goods for the bake sale on Thursday and Friday, February 20th & 21st. ALL volunteers who lend a hand and/or bring baked goods will be GREATLY appreciated.

Hours of the sale are: 2/20 – 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. (with bake sale)

2/21 – 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. (1/2 price plus bake sale)

2/22 – 9 a.m. – noon - \$3 & \$5 brown bag sale

NEED HELP WITH YOUR FUTURE?!?!

The Aviston American Legion Auxiliary is proud to offer a Scholarship program for 2020:

\$1,000 – for Veterans, Auxiliary, SAL or family members of Post 1239** : \$1,000 – an individual living within the 62216 zip code area** Look for details and an application on the website:

www.avistonlegion.com OR pick up the details and an application at Aviston Legion during open hours.

**You may apply for both scholarships, if applicable.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Aluminum can recycling is the first Saturday of each month. Put your cans at the end of driveways.

TV recycling (\$25 fee) is on the first Saturday of April, June, August, October, and December from 8-10 a.m. at the shed (down the hill towards the Village dump)

CUB SCOUT NEWS

Cub Scout Breakfast will be held Sunday, March 8th from 8 a.m. – noon at the Aviston Legion Home. ALL YOU CAN EAT!!! On the menu: Pancakes,

scrambled eggs, pork sausage, hash browns, biscuits & gravy, fruit cocktail, orange juice, milk and coffee. Support your local Pack 255 and get a great breakfast!!! First Responders and Military eat FREE with a Paid Adult. Adult - \$9, Children (5-11) - \$5, 4 & Under – FREE.

AVISTON ELEMENTARY

“It’s a Jungle Out There!” is the theme of the 2020 AGS book fair. The book fair will be held from February 6-13 in the school library. Volunteers are appreciated and can sign up on the school website: www.avistonk-8.org. Come pick up a few great books to enjoy with your family!

Students will enjoy “The Ned Show” on February 11, which is a character education program focused on the concepts of: Never give up, Encourage others, and Do your best. Ned is a cartoon character that uses storytelling, humor, yo-yo tricks and student interaction to communicate a positive message and promote our culture of excellence at Aviston Elementary.

A “Census Night” is being planned for April 8 to promote everyone completing the 2020 U.S. Census. We welcome all of our community members to utilize our facility and technology resources to complete the census that evening.

We continue to encourage all parents to complete the Illinois 5Essentials Parent Survey. This survey provides information that will be used to create long-term school improvement plans at Aviston Elementary. A link to the survey can be found at the top of the AGS Facebook page.

Congratulations to the boys and girls basketball teams for having such successful seasons! We are very proud of your hard work and determination both on and off the court. GO EAGLES!

The PTA is preparing for the 2020 Technology Auction to be held on February 29, 2020 at the Aviston American Legion. Tickets are currently on sale. This auction is held every five years and benefits student technology upgrades for continued achievement in the classroom. If anyone would like to make a donation (still looking for silent and oral auction items) or purchase tickets, you may contact avistonelementarypta@gmail.com.

AVISTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

Reminder: get your Aviston Fire Dept 50/50 raffle tickets in. There are 11 drawings left for 2020. The monthly drawing will be the last Monday of each month. Next drawing is 2/24 and this year's payout is \$400/minimum. Tickets are \$10. Contact a fireman or stop by Village Hall to get your tickets. Paid tickets can be mailed to 498 W. Railroad or dropped off at the Village Hall. Thanks for your continued support!!

OKTOBERFEST-AVISTON STYLE

Guten Morgen Aviston, or in English, Good Morning Aviston! This October 17th Aviston will be having their very own Oktoberfest. It is time to celebrate this areas rich German heritage. The days activities will include German food and drinks, traditional German games and two different bands. Events will start at 1:30pm and run until 10:00pm. Of course, traditional Bavarian Oktoberfest clothing is encouraged. So, ladies, go get your dirndl dress and gentlemen get your lederhosen. T-shirts are available now and can be purchased by texting Connie Robben at 618-971-5511. Shirts are \$15 or \$17 for 2XL. Keep watching your newsletter as more information will be available as it gets closer. Prost!

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

There will be **NO** 7:30 p.m. mass on Saturday, February 29th.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

- 6-13 – Aviston Grade School Book Fair
- 8 – Citizens for Aviston Dinner/Dance
- 14-17 – Donation dates for rummage sale
- 20-22 – Legion Auxiliary Rummage Sale
- 24 – Park District Meeting
- 25 – Zoning Board Meeting
- 29 – ‘Leap into Technology’ auction @ Legion
 - **NO 7:30 p.m.** St. Francis mass

MARCH

- 2 – Village Board Meeting
- 15 – Legion Pork Sausage Dinner
- 30 – Park District Meeting
- 31 – Zoning Board Meeting

