

FEBRUARY 2021

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

LOST AND FOUND

Mizuno ball glove, LeMotech adjustable survival bracelet, VW Passat key fob, Timex mens watch, Novel written by Frances Liardet

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Please obey all traffic signs. We are still getting some complaints about speeding on side roads as well as running stop signs.

As always, if you see anything out of place or suspicious, please call for help and our officers will check it out.

SQUAD CAR: The Police Department is selling a used squad car on sealed bid. The vehicle is a 2013 Ford Taurus with 120,240 miles. The vehicle can be viewed by appointment only. Sealed bids must be submitted by February 5th with bid opening on February 8th at 6 p.m. Please call Chief Kuhl at (618) 578-9990 for additional information and to schedule an appointment for viewing.

GRASS CUTTING

The Village is accepting applications for lawn/grass cutting. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older by April 1, 2021; 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.

SUMMER HELP

The Village of Aviston is accepting applications for summer help. All applicants must be 16 years of age by May 1, 2021 and reside within the Village corporate limits. Applications can be picked up at the Aviston Village Hall M-F from 8-4.

Application deadline is Friday, April 30th, 4:00 p.m.

OFF ROAD VEHICLE (ORV) STICKERS

2021 ORV stickers are now available for purchase. This is for renewals or if you recently purchased an ORV. You will need a sticker to legally drive it on village streets. The forms are available online and we appreciate it if you would provide a copy of your drivers license and a current insurance card at the time of submission. Cost is \$35 per permit and good through December 31, 2021.

SNOW PLOWING

REMINDER: Winter is here and so the snow may be coming soon. With that in mind, when it snows, please remove vehicles from the streets so the snowplows can make it through easier. If you get plowed in, we will not be back to dig you out.

LARGE TRASH/DUMPSTERS REMINDERS:

If you have large trash items that need to get picked up, you may call Republic Services, personally, and request/schedule the pickup. The number to call is: (618) 656-6883, and listen for the correct prompt to assist you. You may also reach them at: www.republicservices.com and schedule/request a large trash pick-up.

-A dumpster is located at the City Shed that is picked up (emptied) every Monday, Wednesday & Friday. A full dumpster means "come back and try again." If materials are dumped alongside or overfill the container... it's illegal - please don't do that. If the lid does not close, it is too full! There are cameras fixed on the dumpsters and abusers will be identified and invited to come get their treasures and pay a fine (starting at \$100).

AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 1239

The Queen of Hearts raffle is still going. Drawing is over \$17,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.

Friday night fish fry is carryout only at this time.

There will also be an Ash Wednesday (February 17th) fish fry.

The Aviston American Legion invites you to their Spring Pork Sausage and Roast Beef dinner on Sunday, March 21st, serving from 10:30 AM to 6:00 PM. In addition to the meats, it includes sauerkraut and backbones, potatoes, vegetables and dessert. The traditional pork and quilt raffles will also be conducted. At the present time, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is scheduled to be a **CARRYOUT ONLY** event. Coronavirus prevention practices will be enforced.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary is having a Fundraiser to support the Scholarship Fund! Chicken Wings will be sold on the day of the big game, February 7th from 11 to 4 or while supplies last! There will be breaded wings with options of Honey BBQ, Hot, or no sauce with extra dipping sauce options on the side. Wings are \$1.25 each.

Homemade Potato Chips will be available to order. These are 1.25 per order.

Pre-orders appreciated and taken during normal club room hours.

The Aviston Legion Heroes Pub (Club Room) will also be opening that day starting at noon!

NEED HELP WITH YOUR FUTURE?!?!

The Aviston American Legion Auxiliary is proud to offer a Scholarship program for 2021:

\$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.americanlegion.com OR pick up an application at Aviston Legion during open hours at the Aviston Legion. *You may apply for both scholarships, if applicable. Deadline for the application is April 1, 2021.

Let us consider helping you with your future!

CERTIFIED FOOD PROTECTION MANAGER -CFPM CLASS

Renee Robertson with Safe Food 101 is offering classes at the Aviston American Legion hall downstairs from 8-4:30 on the following dates:

Tuesday – February 9th

Monday – March 8th

Monday – April, 12th

Monday – May 10th

Monday – June 14th

Monday – July 12th

Cost: \$145 for *classroom* and proctored test **or** \$186 for *online option* with proctored test

- These both include the online exam and handouts

• **8 Hour** - 1 Day Class which consists of the following:

- Classroom Instruction / Online Testing
- Class instruction: 8-4:30 pm with the exam following class lecture
- Student has two hours to complete the exam

The certification test is conducted online using your own computer or tablet, this allows the student to obtain test results immediately upon completion of the test. Must have basic knowledge and computer skills, such as setting up user accounts, logging into websites, using basic computer navigation of mouse (external or mouse pad). Safe Food 101 does not provide a computer for examinees, you must provide your own.

If you have any questions or would like to register yourself or a team member(s), please contact Renée directly at 618-406-4077 or email her at renee@safefood101.com.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

We are sad to announce our decision to cancel the 50th Annual Citizens for Aviston Dance event this year. While we wish we could see more of our neighbors and friends, it's important to us to not risk your health. However, we are excited to share that we are hosting a Facebook Live Event on **Tuesday February 16th at 7:00 pm** to announce the winners for this year's event. Please be sure to like the "Citizens for Aviston" Facebook page to view the live event. Due to not hosting an in-person

event this year, we have increased the 1st place payout from \$2,000 to \$3,000 and will have 20+ additional payouts. In addition to the increased payouts, we will also provide a generous donation to the Park Board Committee.

We still need your support so if you have not yet purchased a ticket, please don't miss out! Tickets can be purchased until February 15th. Call Kim (Kurt) Rakers (604-6100), Anna (Chad) Kuhn (304-7725), Karrie (Mark) Rakers (420-0330), Stephanie (Troy) Pingsterhaus (210-5558), Tracy (Deej) Session (972-0854) or Julie (Brandon) Wade (616-4633) if you would like to purchase a ticket.

January Drawing Winners (\$70/each):

- Kim Peek
- Nancy Nettemeier
- Mike & Tammy Kuper
- Tammy Isaak

****MARK YOUR CALENDAR**** The 51st Annual Citizens for Aviston Dance will be held on February 12, 2022.

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

St. Francis "*Journey of Blessings*" Mission Difficult roads often lead to beautiful destinations. Due to COVID-19, the St. Francis "Journey of Blessings" Mission has been rescheduled again to May 1-6, 2021. Until then stay safe!

AVISTON ELEMENTARY

Happy February, Aviston Eagles!

Book Fair - We are excited to have a virtual Scholastic Book Fair February 11-24 with a theme of "For the Love of Reading". The website for shopping is:

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/avistonelementaryschool>

Yearbook 8th Grade Memory Notes - If parents are interested in having a memory note added to the yearbook for their 8th grade student(s), email a picture of your child and a short note (50 words or less) to schoolsecretary@avistonk-8.org. Each memory note is \$10 and due by February 19.

Athletics - Information about modified seasons for volleyball and basketball has been emailed to parents. Health regulations will allow only players

and essential personnel in the gymnasium during events. The Clinton County Conference schools are planning to stream games live for fans and details are forthcoming. GO EAGLES!

PreK Screenings - Screenings will be held April 8 from 9-3 and April 9 from 9-12 at Aviston Elementary School. Registration will begin March 1. Please watch our marquee and Facebook page for scheduling details!

PTA and Sports Boosters Fundraisers - The PTA continues to sell monthly drawing tickets and Cardinals Calendars are also available. Contact the office if you are interested.

The Sports Boosters are selling discount cards for local businesses once again! The cards are \$10 each and order forms are available in the school entryway.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Boy Scout Recycling: Any electronics can be dropped off any time with the exception of TVs. The electronic shed is open and can be accessed from the side door on the south side of the building. Leave your electronics inside the shed. Consolidate boxes when dropping off. Leave a walkway in the shed for others to drop off. They accept TVs on the first Saturday of the even months from 8-10 a.m. There is a \$25 fee per TV. The next TV recycling day will be April 6th at the electronic shed.

Aluminum cans are picked up curbside the first Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. The next pickup for aluminum cans is Saturday, February 6th. If they miss your cans or you would like to drop them off yourself, the Scout trailer is located behind (east) the American Legion.

They do not accept cardboard or paper. Those items can be recycled with your blue bin provided by the Village and picked up every other week.

If you have any questions, please email avistonbersscouts@yahoo.com.

HOMETOWN HEROES

SAVE THE DATE: Hometown Heroes
Community Event on September 11, 2021 at the
Aviston Park

The Aviston Fire Department and ACIC will be
working with organizations in our community to
host this community-wide event. Stay tuned for
more details!



UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2021

- 5 – Squad car sealed bids due
- 6 – Boy Scout Recycling (TVs & cans)
- 7 – Legion Auxiliary Chicken Wing Sales 11-4
- Legion 'Heroes Pub' Open at noon
- 11-24 – Virtual Book Fair (Aviston Elem)
- 16 – Citizens for Aviston Facebook Live Event
- 17 – Ash Wednesday – Legion Fish Fry
- 22 – Park District Meeting
- 23 – Zoning Board Meeting

MARCH 2021

- 1 – Village Board Meeting
- 21 – Legion Pork Sausage dinner (carryouts only)
- 29 – Park District Meeting
- 30 – Zoning Board Meeting
- 31 – Grass cutting applications due