

FEBRUARY 2022

LOST AND FOUND

- Buick key/fob with house key and 'quarter keeper'

Samsung phone found by Railroad/Hull St., 3 desk(?) keys with red labeled holder

HELP WANTED

Part-time cleaning person for the Vintage Hall. Responsibilities include making sure the hall is clean, trash taken out, etc. after bookings and acceptable for new rentals.

Applications can be picked up at the Village Hall. Position will be effective March 1, 2022.

HELP WANTED:

The Village of Aviston is seeking a lawn cutter / general maintenance worker. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older; must be able to pass a routine drug test; must be able to operate and perform routine maintenance on a large riding mower, and be capable of planning / performing a wide-range of maintenance tasks throughout the village with minimal supervision. During mowing season, lawns to be cut include Aviston Community Park, Kopff Park, Village of Aviston properties and along roads and areas as assigned. During peak times, lawns may need to be cut 4-5 days a week and a total of 6-8 hours per day. General maintenance activity is expected on and around all Village property as required, and will be completed around the primary mowing schedule during mowing season. This is Part-Time, Permanent position (P/T-Permanent).

Applications can be picked up at the Aviston Village Hall during regular office hours, 8-4 daily. Application deadline is March 15th at 4 p.m.

WATER BILLS

Please remember that water bills are due the 25th of each month.

If you are set up to get email reminders and have not received them, **DO NOT** send an email to the address you get your bills from. We cannot check that email address.

We also have accounts that we don't have a current phone number. This is especially beneficial for you if you have a leak at your residence and we need to contact you. Please call the Village Hall or email us at villagehall@avistonil.org and we can verify or update

the email address and phone numbers on file for your account.

FAULTY/FRAUD WEBSITE

We have been informed that there are some residents that think they are paying their bill on line through a company called 'doxo try PLUS'. When viewing the site, it looks legit with all of our information on it but IT IS NOT CONNECTED TO US. The only way to pay your bill to us is to do ACH (set up through us), cash, check or Money Order mailed or dropped off to us at the Village Hall.

IF you have any questions with any of our services, please call or email the village hall.

TRASH/RECYCLE SERVICES

As you may know, trash and recycle services have been somewhat questionable as of late. This has been brought to the attention of Republic Services and they apologize for the problems in getting your trash/recycle picked up timely. They are having troubles, just as many other companies, with getting workers due to COVID.

CODE RED

Some of you may have wondered why you don't get notified about some things in the village when you hear your neighbor/friend talking about the notice they got. This would be because your residence or business has not been registered in the system.

There are two ways to take care of this:

1. get the form from the Village Hall, fill out and return, and we will put it in the system
2. go to the Village's website: www.avistonil.org,
 - scroll to the bottom of the page and where it has 'CODE RED', document all of your information there.
 - Please check the boxes for Emergency and General notifications

ORV PERMITS

2022 PERMITS ARE IN!!!!

The current permits expired December 31, 2021. This is for renewals or if you recently purchased an ORV.

You need a sticker to legally drive it on village streets. Cost is \$35 per permit and good through December 31, 2022.

VILLAGE PLANNING COMMISSION QUESTIONNAIRE

For those that weren't able to fill out the questionnaire by hand last month, you can scan the code below and fill it out online.

The questionnaire is intended to provide input as we update the Village's Comprehensive Plan for future

development/land use. If you have thoughts, please complete by February 20, 2022.



BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scouts electronics shed is open 24/7. Please put items inside through the door on the south side. Please stack, if possible, to leave room for others.

TV recycle is the first Saturday of even months from 8-10 am cost is \$25 per TV.

Please do not put TVs or CRT monitors in shed

Aluminum can pick up is the first Saturday of the month, please put cans out on the curb by 9 am. If they miss your cans or you would like to drop them off yourself, the Scout trailer is located behind (east) the American Legion.

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

AVISTON PARK BOARD

A flier is attached for to highlight the upcoming plans for park expansion/improvements.

AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 1239

The Aviston American Legion invites you to their Spring Pork Sausage and Roast Beef dinner on Sunday, March 20th, serving from 10:30 AM to 6:00 PM.

In addition to the meats, it includes sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, applesauce and dessert. The traditional pork and quilt raffles will be conducted. Carryout as well as dine-in space will be available.

Please review the attached Park Board's flier for information about hosting the 2022 Legion Baseball State Championship tournament.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

The Aviston American Legion Auxiliary Rummage and Bake Sale will be Thursday & Friday, February 24th and 25th, 9:00am - 8:00pm and Brown Bag Saturday, February 26, 9:00am till noon. Dates to bring donations to the Legion are:

- Friday, February 18, 4pm - 7pm
- Saturday, February 19, 9am - noon
- Sunday, February 20, noon - 4pm
- Monday, February 21, noon - 7pm

We cannot accept any televisions or mattresses.

We need **LOTS** of help! Even if it's only for a couple of hours we encourage everyone to lend a hand. You do not need to be an Auxiliary, SAL or Legion member to help. Volunteers are needed Sunday, February 20, noon - 4pm; Monday, February 21, noon-7pm; Tuesday, February 22, noon-7pm to sort and price donated items. ALL volunteers who lend a hand and/or bring baked goods will be **GREATLY** appreciated!

If you have any questions please call or text Debi Luebbers, 618-581-1950

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship program for 2022

\$1,000 - For Veterans, Auxiliary, SAL or family members of Post 1239*

\$1,000 - An individual within the 62216 zip code

Look for details and an application on our website:

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

You may apply for both scholarships, if applicable.

Deadline for the application is April 1, 2022

Let us consider helping you with your future!

YOUTH SUMMER BASEBALL/SOFTBALL LEAGUES

The registration for the summer baseball and softball leagues is now open. There are forms at the Village Hall, passed out through the school and on the Aviston Youth League Facebook site. The deadline is February 25th and you can contact Larry Hilmes at (618) 972-6115 or avistonyouthleague@yahoo.com for any questions.

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

The 51st Annual Citizens for Aviston Dance will be held on **February 12th, 2022!** This includes 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. You do not need to be present to win any of the drawings. 100% of the profits are spent on park improvements!

A carry-out option is available for individuals who have purchased a ticket, but prefer not to attend the event. Carry-outs will be served from 5:30 pm - 6:00 pm.

January Drawing Winners (\$70/each):

- Mike Donnewald
- Cliff Behrmann

- Kevin & Peggy Litteken
- Ron & Sarah Ratermann

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.



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ACIC UPCOMING EVENTS:

Garage sale - May 14, 2022
 Block party - June 04, 2022
 Golf Scramble - Aug. 20, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2022

12 – Citizens for Aviston Dinner/Dance
 18-21 – Rummage sale donations accepted
 19-Puttin on the Hits replay in Heroes Pub -7:30
 22 – Zoning Board Meeting
 24-26 – Auxiliary Rummage Sale
 25 – Deadline for youth summer leagues
 28 – Park District Meeting

MARCH

2 – Ash Wednesday – fish fry at Legion
 7 – Village Board Meeting
 20 – Legion Pork Sausage & Beef Dinner
 28 – Park District Meeting
 29 – Zoning Board Meeting

APRIL

1 – Legion Auxiliary Scholarship deadline

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CURRENT RESIDENT

The Aviston Park Board would like to provide a brief update on upcoming plans at the park. We have broken them up into some initial phases. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to a local park board member! Feedback and/or assistance is always welcomed. **See us on FACEBOOK.**

Phase 1 – Winter/Spring '22 (park baseball diamond)

- Replace baseball backstop
- Replace baseball dugouts
- Install new fence from backstop to foul poles
- Install new speakers and new sound system
- Install brand new scoreboard
- Till and reseed outfield grass
- Pour concrete 10' wide pad from dugout to dugout
- New countertops in women's bathroom
- Paint and fix bathrooms in centerfield at baseball field
- Utilize TIF money to address drainage problems at baseball field

Aviston Park District Members

- Dennis Rakers
- Nathan Kreke
- Randy Voss
- Gary Lewis
- Cindy Zurliene
- Denise Zurliene
- Troy Kapp

Park Board meets last Monday of the month at 7pm Village Hall

Special thanks for donations: Imming Insurance, Jim and Marilyn Rakers, George and Leona Richter Family, K&D Countertops, Nick Bledsoe (Forever Young Memorial), David Warnecke Family, Chris Poettker Family (Fly High MareBear), Markus Excavating, Netemeyer Engineering, Citizens for Aviston.

Phase 2 – Fall '22 (park softball diamond)

- Replace softball backstop
- Address concrete under the pavilion

Phase 3 - Kopff Field Safety

- Address field safety issues associated to Kopff Field North
- Plan to redesign layout to avoid safety issues by Aviston/Albers road

Next Phase – Football-Soccer Complex/Concession Stand (Proposed Plan) →

- Submitting for a matching grant to assist in funding this effort alongside donations. For every dollar we raise the grant will match it.
- This would be located across the street from softball diamond



2022 Illinois American Legion Baseball State Championship, July 26-30 in Aviston Illinois

Clinton County will soon have the distinguished honor of hosting the 2022 Illinois American Legion Baseball State Championship, July 26-30. Aviston Park will be the site to some of the best baseball players in Illinois. Aviston American Legion Post 1239 will host six teams from around Illinois. As the host, Aviston Legion had to agree to pay for the teams' hotel rooms, three meals a day per player, umpire fees, baseballs, trophies, welcome banquet, and the program. It's a big honor that comes with a big tab. The estimated expenses are around \$20,000.

We hope you'll help curb our expenses and support the Aviston Legion by sponsoring ad's in a state championship program Booklet. If you are interested in an ad, please contact Dennis Rakers at 618 799 9986. Thank you in advance!

Program Ad Levels (any amount is appreciated)

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| \$500 (Home Run) – Full page ad, Radio ad, Banner on the fence | \$250 (Triple) – Half Page ad |
| \$125 (Double) – Quarter page ad | \$75 (Single) – Eighth page ad |
| \$20 (Base on Balls) – Line ad | |