## **APRIL 2022**

#### **HELP WANTED**

Part-time cleaning person for the Vintage Hall. Responsibilities include making sure that 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 available immediately.

#### WATER BILLS

Please remember that all water bills are due the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. If you are set up to get email reminders and have not received your email, DO NOT send an email to the address you get your bills from. We do not check that email folder. (Also, please verify with us that we have a good address on file.) Please call the Village Hall or email us at villagehall@avistonil.org and we can help you.

There are still some folks that we 1) don't have a phone number for you or 2) the number you have on file has been replaced/deleted. Please update us. This is especially beneficial for you if you have a leak at your residence and we need to contact you.

### PLEASE ..... PLEASE ..... PLEASE

When paying your bill by cash and putting it in the drop box, make sure to include customer information with the money, either by including your stub or writing on the envelope your name and/or address.

#### **TRASH/RECYCLING SERVICES**

We are aware that some trash/recycling services have been sporadic and has been missed. If it has been missed on Monday, please leave it out and it should be picked up on Tuesday. You may call Republic Services directly and report the missed pickup (656-6883) or call us and we will report it.

They have been working with limited staff at times and are doing the best they can.

Everyone's cooperation is appreciated.

LARGE TRASH PICKUP is scheduled for May 16th!

#### **TRASH/RECYCLING RATE INCREASE**

Trash rates have gone up effective April 1, 2022. In-town: \$17.56 Out-of-town: \$22.66

#### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Police Department would like to remind everyone that the speed limit on all secondary roads in town is 25 MPH unless posted otherwise.

Please pay attention to all speed limit signs as well as stop signs.

Be aware of the radar trailer which is in town. You can use this to calibrate your speedometer. The radar

trailer will be coming to a new location near you in the future.

#### SLOW DOWN!!!!!

#### PARK PAVILION or VINTAGE HALL RENTALS

If you'd like to book any of the pavilions at the park or to rent the Vintage Hall, you may call the Village Hall and request the date or look on the Village of Aviston website under the heading: Events/Calendars, 'Aviston Park Calendar, Pavilion Bookings and Vintage Hall' to see if your date is available.

There is a rate increase for the pavilions. Aviston residents - \$75. Out-of-town - \$100.

#### **AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 1239**

EASTER EGG HUNT: Sunday, April 17th at 1:30 at the Village Park

#### **AVISTON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT CLUB**

ACIC will be sponsoring the Aviston Community Garage Sale on May 14th. To be listed on the address list, email the ACIC at

avistongaragesale@gmail.com by Saturday, May 7th. Please include a short description of items you will be selling. Address List will be available at the Village Hall, Post Office, and the ACIC Facebook page.

#### **AVISTON ELEMENTARY**

Happy Easter, Aviston! Upcoming events include: April 11 - Kindergarten Screenings - 8:30 am -

3:00 pm - Children who did not attend Aviston Elementary Pre-K will need to attend screening. Call the school at 618-228-7245 to make an appointment.

April 19 - Online Registration Opens - All K-8 students will be able to register via the link posted on the school's main webpage: www.avistonk-8.org

May 2 - Pre-K Registration Begins - Pre-K applications will be accepted from May 2 at 8 am until May 31 at 4 pm. Applications were given during Pre-K screenings and are also available in the main office.

#### May 13 - Spring Concert

May 19 - 7:00 pm - 8th Grade Graduation

May 20 - 9:00 am - Pre-K Graduation

May 26 - Fun Day and Last Day of School!

#### 4-H NEWS – SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The Clinton County Extension Foundation is offering scholarship opportunities to local 4-H members and alumni. Applicants must have been in 4-H for at least 6 years with 4 of those being in a Clinton County 4-H club; they must have exhibited one 4-H project per year at a Clinton County Show; and must be a senior in a Clinton County High School, graduate, or undergraduate in a community college, 4 year college, or Trade School. Applications are available online at

https://go.illinois.edu/CCFoundationScholarship and

must be turned in to the Clinton County Extension Office in Breese by close of business on April 22. For more information, call 526-4551 or Vivian Luebbers at 623-7890.

#### **US POSTAL SERVICE**

## **<u>Regarding PO Box Delivery (from Aviston Village</u></u> <u>Board)</u>**

Many Aviston residents have been having tremendous difficulty with mail being returned due to lack of Post Office (PO) Box information on addresses. After many, many years of service, our local post office has been instructed to stop delivering mail that does not include a PO Box number in the address.

If you wish to express your concern/make your voice heard regarding this matter, please consider contacting Ms. Natalie Woods, supervisor in the Consumer Affairs Department of the Central IL 2 District. Her office phone is (708)563-7743. Feel free to relay specifics on how you and/or your business has been negatively impacted by this change of approach, and insist the Post Office continue delivering mail even though it does not include the PO Box # (as it has for many years previously). A second recommendation is to request for mailbox delivery for the entire town. Our next step will include contacting our Congresswoman at <u>https://marymiller.house.gov</u> to request delivery across the entire town.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## <u>APRIL</u>

- 11 Kindergarten Screening
- 17 Easter
  - Egg Hunt at park 1:30
- 19 K-8 Online registration opens
- 22- 4-H Scholarship deadline
- 25 Park District Meeting
- 26 Zoning Board Meeting

## MAY

- 2 Pre-K Registration begins Village Board Meeting
- 8 Mother's Day
- 13 Grade School Spring Concert
- 14 City-wide garage sales
- 16 Large Trash Pickup
- $19 8^{th}$  Grade Graduation
- 20 Pre-K Graduation
- 23 Park District Meeting
- 26 Last day of school --- FUN DAY!
- 30 Memorial Day (Holiday offices closed)
- 31 Zoning Board Meeting

