

# SEPTEMBER 2023

VILLAGEHALL: 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

Girls white sandals (10), Dodge key fob, girls coral shorts, Gatorade water bottle (Tebbe), camera lens covers, kids glove w/ball, girls tan sandals (9), 3 keys on a hunting club keychain, electronic item found at Kopff Park

## CLEARWAVE DAMAGE

Did you have damage caused from Clearwave? If so, please call (228-7262) or email the Village Hall ([villagehall@avistonil.org](mailto:villagehall@avistonil.org)) with your name, address and damage that was done. We will consolidate the addresses and forward to Clearwave for repairs. They will be coming to town in marked vehicles.

## LARGE TRASH PICK-UP

The next large trash pick-up is scheduled for Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>.

## GRASS CLIPPINGS/YARD WASTE/DUMP

GRASS CLIPPINGS: Please do not blow your clippings into the street, in the curbing or on the sidewalks as it clogs up the sewer systems and if it rains, it gets very slick on the roads for cycles. Please cut the grass and blow it back into your own yards.

Please do not leave trash, limbs, and other debris piling up on your property.

You can bring yard waste (leaves, grass, bushes, plants) out to the dump east of the park. DO NOT put leaves and grass on the burn pile! They go east of the burn pile. There are signs posted where everything is to be put. \*\* No large limbs/stumps!

## VOTERS REGISTRATION

If you need to register to vote, the Village Clerk can help you with that. Forms are available at the Village Hall. Requirements are: U.S. Citizen; 18 years old to vote in a Consolidated or General Election or 17 years of age to vote in a Consolidated

Primary or General Primary if the individual will be 18 by the time of the Consolidated or General Election; must have been a resident of the precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day.

You may also register to vote or update your existing voter registration by accessing the home page of the Illinois State Board of Election's website at [www.elections.il.gov](http://www.elections.il.gov) and selecting "Online Voter Registration."

If you have any questions, you may call the Village Hall at 228-7262.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

**OFF ROAD VEHICLES (ORV) Reminder:** You must be 16 years of age with a valid driver's license to operate an Off-Road Vehicle (ORV)/ Side-by-side/golf cart on village streets. Please obey all driving laws and be aware of your surroundings. BE CAUTIOUS!! **Parents:** please make sure to tell your kids that are of age and use your vehicles -- BE SAFE OUT THERE!! Please make sure you have a current 2023 sticker on the vehicle!  
**TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED!!**

**STOP SIGNS:** There are stop signs for a reason – please stop where the signs are posted! **IT'S THE LAW!!**

## HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREATING

Trick-or-Treating will be held on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 for the Village of Aviston. Please use caution while out driving and watch for the kids. BE SAFE!!

## BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Boy Scouts electronics shed is open 24/7. Please put items inside through the door on the south side. The shed is for electronics only --- no TV's! TV recycle is the first Saturday of even months from 8-10 am. Cost is \$25 per TV. **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 could drop them off yourself, the Scout trailer is located behind (east) of the American Legion. If you have any questions, please email [avistonabersscouts@yahoo.com](mailto:avistonabersscouts@yahoo.com).

### ACIC Upcoming Events:

#### **Saturday, September 9 - Oktoberfest @ Aviston City Park**

You won't want to miss a day full of German events, dancing, sing-alongs, and much more! Come on out to enjoy all of the festivities starting at 2 pm.

### AVISTON ELEMENTARY

Happy September, Aviston Eagles! We have had a successful start of the school year and appreciate the community's support in making sure all of our eagles are safe as they come to and from school. Continue to be on the lookout for pedestrians, bicycle riders and remember that cell phone usage is prohibited in school zones.

We will be hosting a Red Cross blood drive on September 11 from 2-7 pm. Come give the gift of life!

Our Eagle Squad program will begin pairing older students with younger students as they both form friendships and learn skills for working together. This month's Eagle Squad theme is "Responsibility". Classes will be working to guide students on the importance of responsibility at school, at home and in our community.

The Book Fair is coming September 25-30th! It is an exciting time to get a great book (or several) and support reading at home and in the classroom. Volunteers are needed to make this event a success. Contact the school office if you would like to help!

Building Addition Update: The excitement continues to grow in our classroom, cafeteria and student services area expansion with the completion of the planning and design phase. The District is now accepting bids for the various aspects of construction. All bid information/details can be accessed through the school website at [www.avistonk-8.org](http://www.avistonk-8.org) on the main page. Construction is estimated to begin in March 2024 and be completed in December 2024.

### **Upcoming Dates of Interest:**

Sept. 11: Blood Drive 2:00-7:00 in the cafeteria  
Sept. 15: Baseball and softball at the GCS Stadium  
Sept. 15: Unsatisfactory Reports – Grades 5-8  
Sept. 20: School Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

Sept. 21: Picture retakes, 5th & 6th girls' basketball, softball, baseball & cross country

Sept. 25 – 30: Book Fair. Volunteers will be needed.

### COLLECT YOUR ALUMINUM CAN TABS!!!

Aviston Elementary students are collecting aluminum can tabs for Shriners Hospital for Children in St. Louis. Please keep your tabs and give them to an Aviston student or a teacher so someone can collect them and give the tabs to the Shriners. This is a service project for Aviston Elementary --- doing good for other children and families at Shriners Hospital

### AMERICAN FLAG DISPOSAL

Are you aware that our Aviston Legion can help you dispose of your American flag? There's a drop box located near the Heroes Pub entrance for you to put your flags in.

### AVISTON LEGION

The Aviston American Legion invites you to their Fall Pork Sausage and Roast Beef dinner on Sunday, October 8th, 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 also be conducted. It will be a carryout dinner made to order with sit-down dining space available event.

### AVISTON AUXILIARY FALL/WINTER RUMMAGE SALE

In conjunction with the Aviston Legion Beef and Pork Sausage Dinner, the Auxiliary will have their annual Fall/Winter Rummage Sale on Sunday, October 8, from 10:00am - 5:00pm (\$3.00 brown bag 3:00pm-5:00pm). We will be selling Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas items ONLY.

Dates to bring donated items to the Legion are Thursday-Friday, October 5-6, Noon- 7pm.

Come join us for a great meal and fall/winter holiday shopping!

If you have any questions please contact Debi Luebbers, 518-581-1950

### AVISTON GUN CLUB RAFFLE

The Aviston Gun Club announces a 3-gun raffle with the proceeds to fund hunter safety courses and outdoor related youth activities. Wouldn't it be great for young people to learn and participate in activities beyond looking at their phone???

Prizes are: 1<sup>st</sup>: Semi-automatic 12 gauge 3 ½ chamber, 28" barrel Winchester Super X 4 Hybrid Shotgun

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ruger American Rifle, caliber 450 Bushmaster synthetic stock O.D., (this caliber is legal for IL Firearm Deer hunting (new this year)

3<sup>rd</sup>: Smith & Wesson, Shield, EZ, M 2.0, 9 MM, Thumb Safety w/range bundle

Donation \$5 ea. or 5/\$20. Drawing will be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. in conjunction with the Aviston Gun Club Shooting Match held at Aviston American Legion.

Tickets are available from all Aviston Gun Club members or call Dave at (618) 920-2671.

Thank you in advance for your support!

### ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

**Interested in the Catholic Church?** For those who might be interested in becoming a Catholic, or who just want to learn more about the Catholic faith, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for you. Sessions begin in mid-September. For more information contact Father Dan (228-7219) or Deacon Steve (228-7936). Absolutely no commitment is required.

**Church Tour:** Do you know the difference between an ambo and an ambry? What are the Purkinje-Sanson images in the eyes of Our Lady of Guadalupe? Where does the word *Pieta* (as in Michelangelo's *Pieta*) come from? Come find these answers and more. In recognition of St. Francis Parish's 158<sup>th</sup> anniversary, St. Francis will provide a tour of the church on October 15th. It's very informal. You do not have to be a member of the parish, or even Catholic, to participate – invite your friends and neighbors. Meet in the St. Francis of Assisi, Aviston, church gathering space at 2 pm.

### ST. FRANCIS PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our pastoral council has begun preparations for publication of a new parish directory. This is a fantastic time to get a free, updated picture of your family. You do NOT have to be a member of the parish to participate. All families photographed will

receive a free 8"x 10" with the option to purchase additional photos. If you are a member of the parish, your photo will be included in the directory and you will also receive a free directory. Please help make this be a success by participating in the upcoming photography sessions.

Photos will be taken on Sept 22nd & 23<sup>rd</sup>, Oct 3-7th, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> and Dec 20<sup>th</sup> at the Parish Center Heritage Room.

**You can sign up online at [ucdir.com](http://ucdir.com)**

**Church code: il327**

**Church password: photos.**

If you have questions, text or call 618-781-9030.

### CHRISTMAS LIGHTS WANTED

The Aviston Elves are in search of some multi-colored spiral trees, and C-7 light strings. If you would like to donate any of these items to the Village for Christmas displays, please drop them off by the garage door at the Vintage Hall or call Diane Woltering.

Repairing the lights and displays has already started. There are several new surprises for this year's displays. Volunteers are needed to help set up displays and put lights on buildings in October and November. If you have a couple hours to spare, they will find something for you to do. Call Diane at 618-228-7508. Thank you!

### COMING EVENTS

#### SEPTEMBER

- 9 – Oktoberfest @ Park
- 11 – Red Cross Blood drive at grade school
- 17 – Gun Club Shooting Match & Raffle
- 25 – Park District Meeting
- 25-30 – Book Fair at grade school
- 26 – Zoning Board Meeting

#### OCTOBER

- 2 – Village Board Meeting
- 5-6 – Bring items to Legion for holiday sale
- 8 – Pork Sausage & Beef Dinner – Legion
  - Holiday rummage sale
- 9 - Large trash pick-up
- 15 – St. Francis church tour – 2:00
- 30 – Park District Meeting
- 31 – Trick-or-Treating in the Village
  - Zoning Board Meeting



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