



LOST AND FOUND

'Spidey Senses' book, jewelry from Oktoberfest, girls gray pullover, toy giraffe, red 'RUN' kids hoodie, Pink kids scooter, Black ladies jacket

WATER BILLS

The Village is aware of the ongoing issues with residents receiving their utility bills via USPS. In order to help the Village ensure that you receive your bill, we are offering a one-time \$10 incentive for residents who sign up for ACH (direct debit) and email billing through April 1, 2024.

All utility bills are mailed/emailed on the 1st of the month and are due on the 25th of the month. It is the intent of the Village to phase out paper invoices by 2025.

WATER & SEWER RATE INCREASE (Effective January 1, 2024)

With the rising costs of chemicals, materials, supplies, and wages, the Village of Aviston will be increasing the fees for the use of the water and sewer systems, as well as the hook-up fees to both systems effective January 1, 2024.

The Village has not increased the minimum water usage fee for over 12 years, and it has been over 5 years since the last sewer rate increase. In the recent history, the Village has built a new water tower, replaced all the water meters, re-lined the sewer system, made significant upgrades to the water plant, completed looping of the water lines, and installed water well #4. While we feel we have been efficient in using the water and sewer fees collected, the rising costs to maintain and operate the systems, as well as the need to plan on future improvements to the systems, make an increase in fees necessary at this time.

The following is the updated fee schedules. A minimum water and sewer usage customer can expect an increase of \$7.00 per month based on these schedules. The garbage rates are adjusted annually based on the Village's contract with the garbage service provider.

WATER RATES:

0 – 1,999 Gallons	\$28.00 (\$39.00 out-of-town)
2,000 – 5,999 Gallons	\$9.00/1,000 Gallons (\$9.25/1,000 Gallons out-of-town)
6,000 - 9,999 Gallons	\$10.25/1,000 Gallons (\$10.50/1,000 Gallons out-of-town)
10,000 and above Gallons	\$11.50/1,000 Gallons (11.75/1,000 Gallons out-of-town)

SEWER RATES:

0 – 1,999 Gallons	\$20.70
2,000 and above gallons	\$5.50/1,000 Gallons

Water Hook-Up Fee: \$3,500 for all water hook-ups.

Sewer Hook-Up Fee:

\$1,000 for all sewer hook-ups except for the TIF #2 Business Park, which will remain at \$1,800.

REPUBLIC SERVICES

There won't be trash services for Christmas Day and New Years Day. All routes will shift one day (pick-up will be on Tuesday, December 26th and January 2nd)

Monday, January 15th – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
--- **Regular pick-up**

VINTAGE HALL

Rental rates for 2024 will increase by \$50. The deposit remains unchanged at \$100, rental rate will be \$150 for a total of \$250 needed when the contract is signed and returned. The Vintage Hall can only be rented to residents of the Aviston school district. You will be held responsible for any damages if you rent it for someone else.

Violation of the rules will result in a loss of your deposit and/or future rentals.

The rules are given to you when the contract is signed. Another copy is available when you pick-up the key and they are also posted in the Hall.

Firepits **ARE NOT** permitted at the Vintage Hall.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

To avoid damages to the displays on Kopff Field and the Park, no ATV's, golf carts, or bicycles should be on these grass areas during the Christmas

decorating season. Dogs should be on leashes and not let to roam free thru the displays.

Thank you for the monetary donations from Mike/Lori Dall, Dan/Carol Imming of Imming Insurance, and Mike/Eva Koch of M&E Auto Body!! More decorations, yay!! Thanks to Dennis Rakers and Dave Mueller for giving us some extra help when needed, to all the husbands for help when setting up the 25 ft trees, and to all who showed up for a couple hours to help set up displays.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Scouts would like to give a HUGE shoutout to everyone for their generous donations to the Scouting for Food Drive ---- much appreciated!!

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 on the east side of the American Legion by the shed. If you have any questions, please email avistonbersscouts@yahoo.com.

The shed on Brefeld Lane (east of the park) 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.

AVISTON AMERICAN LEGION

The Legion will be open New Years Day and will have the CHEERS Band starting at 7pm. Doors open at 10:30 am. Burgers, chicken tenders, fries, nachos and pulled pork available for purchase. FREE chicken mulligan.

AVISTON LEGION AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary is hosting a 'Heroes Christmas' on Sunday, December 10th at 6 p.m. All are invited to stop in and sing along with your friends and neighbors to honor our military heroes. It's free, and refreshments will be served. Cash bar open.

AVISTON SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION

The Aviston Sons of American Legion 2024 BLACK TIE AND TALENT SHOW will be on Sat. Jan. 13th 2024, 5:00pm at the Hidden Lake Winery in Aviston. This formal event is a talent & glamour contest where we give away over \$8000 in scholarships to (8) college bound contestants. We are selling tickets for the event at \$50.00 each. Ticket includes: happy hour, 4-course meal, talent

contest, late night entertainment. Interested contestants can tryout at a down-select competition at Aviston Legion at 6:00pm on Fri., Dec 22nd. A 3-minute speech on a topic of contestant's choice & a talent demonstration is required. Any Clinton County residents who will attend college or trade school in 2024 can enter contest. For tickets or entry info text: Jim Kues 618- 973-5688 or Craig Timmermann 618-830-7737.

AVISTON ELEMENTARY

Merry Christmas, Aviston!

We welcome the community to the Eagle holiday performances on December 8th and 12th:

Dec. 8 - PreK Jingle and Eagle Band and Choir Concert - 1:30 and 6:30 ShowTime

Dec. 12 - K-4 Christmas Program: The Animals' Christmas Tree - 1:30 and 6:30 ShowTime

Students are collecting donations of canned foods, toys, diapers and hygiene items to benefit BCMW, Coping4Life and Early Head Start in Clinton County. Donations are being accepted until December 13. Aviston is one of the largest supporters of these organizations. If you have items to donate, please send them to school.

Dec. 20 Dismissal @ 1:45

Dec. 21 Jan. 3 No School - Winter Break

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 for the Shriners. This is a service project for Aviston Elementary --- doing good for other children and families at Shriners Hospital

NICK BLEDSOE MEMORIAL FUND

Donnie, Vickey & Hanna Bledsoe would like to thank everyone who donated to their son's memorial fund and participated in this past summer's golf tournament. The town of Aviston has been so helpful for keeping his memory alive and helping out the fund so they can help others. Mark your calendars for June 29, 2024 for the next golf tournament. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

CITIZENS FOR AVISTON

****SAVE THE DATE**** The next Citizens for Aviston Dinner and Dance will be held on **February 3, 2024** at Aviston American Legion! An \$80.00 ticket includes monthly drawings that will continue through February 3rd, dinner for two, free draft beer and soda all evening, live music from Shut Up Mark, along with chances to win up to \$2,000 the night of the event. Only 500 tickets are sold, so 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! The next drawing is on Thursday, December 14, 2023.

November Drawing Winners (\$80 each): Dale Lampe, Jason & Cassandra Deering, and Steve & Angie Kohlbrecher.

Contact Lindsay (Brad) Fischer (520-8717), Jill (Ryan) Voss (920-5915), Laura (Chris) Ades (567-6678), Jenna (Ryan) Poettker (604-3258), Ann (Chad) Venhaus (409-6546), Ashley (Dustin) Timmermann (401-3099), Sadie (Adam) Buehne (203-9925), Jenny (Aaron) Eversgerd (314-409-6366) or Alicia Uhring (698-4820) if you would like to purchase a ticket.

U.S. POSTAL SERVICE

The U.S. Postal Service is reporting that some customers have received bogus emails and text messages which claim to be from the U.S. Postal Service.

The emails and text messages include information about an attempted or intercepted package delivery, or online postage charge. Customers are told to click a link or attachment which, when opened, installs a malicious virus that steals information from personal computers. The best way to deal with spam emails or text messages is to leave it unopened and hit "DELETE".

Anyone receiving a questionable shipping label, bogus email or text should report it to spam@uspis.gov.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

NATIVITY DISPLAYS

The Michael J Haukap Council of the Knights of Columbus will again recognize the best Nativity Displays in the Aviston School District area. Two scenes will be recognized as the best presentation of "Keeping Christ in Christmas" and awarded \$25 if they are chosen. Judging will be done on December 17th, and signs will be placed by the displays. For more info, contact Ken Haselhorst at 618-971-8364.

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Aviston K of C Free Throw Championship will be January 7th at the Aviston School Gym. Doors open at 12:30, shooting from 1-4 pm. Ages 9-14 as of January 1, 2024. More information to follow. If you have any questions, contact Dustin Timmermann or Matt Netemeyer.

COMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 8 – Grade School Band & Choir concert
- 10 – Heroes Christmas Program @ Legion – 6 pm
- 12 – Grade School K-4 Christmas Program
- 15 – Kringle Krauts @ Legion – 7pm
- 17 – K of C Nativity Scene Judging
- 18 – Park District Meeting
- 19 – Zoning Board Meeting
- 22 – SAL Down-select Black-Tie Event @ Legion
- 25 – Christmas Holiday – Village Offices closed
- 26 - Trash pick up

JANUARY 2024

- 1 – New Year's Day Holiday-Village Offices closed
 - New water/sewer rates go into effect
 - CHEERS band @ Legion – 7 p.m.
- 2 – Trash pick-up
 - Village Board Meeting
- 7 – K of C Free Throw Championships @ school
- 13 – SAL Black-Tie Event @ Hidden Lake Winery
- 29 – Park District Meeting
- 30 – Zoning Board Meeting

**Aviston Village Board
2024 Meeting Schedule**

Tuesday January 2 nd	7:00 p.m.
Monday February 5 th	7:00 p.m.
Monday March 4 th	7:00 p.m.
Monday April 1 st	7:00 p.m.
Monday May 6 th	7:00 p.m.
Monday June 3 rd	7:00 p.m.
Monday July 1 st	7:00 p.m.
Monday August 5 th	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday September 3 rd	7:00 p.m.
Monday October 7 th	7:00 p.m.
Monday November 4 th	7:00 p.m.
Monday December 2 nd	7:00 p.m.

All regular and special meetings of the Aviston Village Board are to be held at the Village Hall, located at 149 South Page Street, Aviston, Illinois, unless otherwise specified. Inquiries regarding such meetings shall be directed to the Village Clerk.



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2024 Aviston Recycling Schedule

CALENDAR A - South of the Railroad Tracks to include the Park

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Empty. Clean. Dry.

Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, cardboard, paperback books, catalogs
Metal cans, clean aluminum pans

Plastics 1-5 & 7. Water, juice, milk detergent jugs. Yogurt & margarine/butter tubs

Prohibited

Aerosol cans, bubble wrap, Christmas lights, coat hangers, electrical cords, food waste, garden hoses, plastic grocery or trash bags, sports equipment, stuffed animals, styrofoam, syringes, razor blades, wood, fabric, light bulbs, batteries

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2024 Aviston Recycling Schedule

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