

# May 2011

## Newsletter

### **VILLAGE NEWS:**

Thanks to all for your participation in the Census! Our new numbers are in and our current population is 1945! That's an increase of 714 people. WOW...how amazing!

The Village of Aviston would like to remind all residents to return the Cross-Connection Surveys as soon as possible. This survey is required by the IEPA. If you have any questions about the information requested or need another survey form, please contact our office at 228-7262 and we would be glad to assist you in any way possible.

The Aviston Zoning Board is currently looking for a new member. The Zoning Board is comprised 5 members, the Zoning Administrator, and the Zoning Secretary and meets the last Tuesday of every month with an occasional special meeting. Anyone interested must be willing to attend the required meetings and take an active role in the Aviston Zoning Code. If interested please call the Village Hall and leave your name and number for a call back.

It is asked that when residents mow lawn that they NOT blow grass into the streets. This will do one of two things: clog the drains and cause standing water, or get into the storm sewer and eventually end up clogging the sewer system.

**Garbage service will be late the week of Memorial Day. Garbage will be picked up on Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup>.**

### **POLICE NEWS:**

The Aviston Police have received several complaints regarding residents letting their dogs run loose. Please remember the Village has an ordinance requiring all dogs to be on a leash. This includes while walking in the park and along all city streets. It is also asked that owners clean-up after the dog if it "messes" in someone else's yard.

If you have not gotten your dog tag yet you need to do so promptly.

The Aviston Police would also like to remind residents that curfew law is as follows:

- 11pm Sunday through Thursday for anyone 16 and under,

- 12am Friday and Saturday for anyone 16 and under.

For those with new drivers, here are the laws on that:

- 10pm Sunday through Thursday for drivers 17 and under,

- 11pm Friday and Saturdays for all drivers 17 and under.

Please remember the "No Parking" areas near Kopff Field when attending ball games and such. This year warnings will NOT be issued!

### **ST. FRANCIS NEWS:**

St. Francis Church will hold their Vacation Bible School the week of July 11-15 from 9am-Noon at Parish Center. For more information or to register, please go to [www.stfrancisav.org](http://www.stfrancisav.org).

The St. Francis Parish Picnic is fast approaching on August 6<sup>th</sup> and the workers list is currently being prepared. If you have a work preference or are currently not on the list, please contact picnic co-chairs Kevin Burton at 228-7618 or Kevin Litteken at 228-7252 by June 1<sup>st</sup> and they will attempt to accommodate your request.

St. Francis Parish is also seeking an individual or a group of individuals to assist and learn the role of kitchen coordinator. Interested individuals need to be available during the week leading up to the picnic, picnic day and the next morning. Please contact Carrie Trame at 228-9008 or Kevin Litteken at 228-7252 with any questions.

### **ACIC NEWS:**

The Aviston city-wide garage sale is set for Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>. The cost to have your information included on the map is \$2.00. To participate, please send your name, address, and fee to:

ACIC  
P O Box 156  
Aviston IL 62216.

Any addition questions may be directed to Tiffany at 520-7457. Deadline to register for this is May 27<sup>th</sup>.

The ACIC & Khoury League PreK Kickoff will be held on Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Aviston Park. T-ball games will begin at 4pm with medal presentations after each game. Concession stand will be open from 3:30-10 pm. Come out and enjoy the evening!

**SCHOOL NEWS:**

The last day of school at Aviston Elementary is Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> with dismissal at 8:45am.

Aviston Elementary summer library hours will be every Wednesday from June 15<sup>th</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 11am.

**CFA NEWS:**

Tickets for the Citizens for Aviston banquet are on sale! The cost is \$60/ticket and includes dinner for two, music, monthly drawings, free drinks and lots of fun!

April early bird winners - Larry Lucas and Roland Kampwerth,

May early bird winners – John & Gloria Baro, Ralph & Florence Lampe, and Tony & Rosanne Wellen.

The next drawing is Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 8pm.

Also, Jackie Schmitz will be retiring from CFA after this year. She has been on this committee for over 20 years! She will be greatly missed. Please thank her when you see her for her time and generosity. Of course we will now need a replacement. If you are interested in helping raise money for the community, give us a call! Even if you can sell a few tickets for us that is a great help to the committee. Contact Connie at 228-7107, Diane at 228-7846 or Carol at 228-7771 to volunteer or purchase a ticket. Tickets are also available at the Village Hall.

**CALENDAR:**

5/21 – Pre-K Kickoff @ park

5/23 – Park District mtg. @ 7:30pm

5/27 – Last day of school

5/30 – Memorial Day-Village offices closed

5/31 – Zoning Board mtg. @ 7:30pm

6/1 – CFA drawing

**6/3 – Garbage pick-up**

6/4 – City-wide garage sale

6/6 – Village Board mtg. @ 7:30pm

**THE POPPY STORY:**

Each year around Memorial Day, American Legion Auxiliary volunteers distribute millions of red poppies in exchange for contributions to assist disabled and hospitalized veterans. The program provides multiple benefits to the veterans and to the community. The hospitalized veterans who make the flowers are able to earn a small wage, which helps to supplement their incomes and makes them feel more self-sufficient. The physical and mental activity proves many therapeutic benefits as well. Donations are used exclusively to assist and support veterans and their families. The poppy also reminds the community of the past sacrifices and continuing needs of our veterans. The poppy has become a nationally known and recognized symbol of sacrifice and is worn to honor the men and women who served and died for their country in all wars. Aviston will participate May 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, and 29<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers will be at several businesses and at the entrances of Church on Sunday. Please remember by wearing a Poppy.