

# CITY OF IONE NEWS



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## Staff Receives Direction on Ione Draft General Plan

City of Ione staff presented each of the elements of the draft General Plan Update to the City Council, Planning Commission and the public at two meetings in May. Staff received direction from all parties on policies in the draft Plan and will now work on preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). The DEIR will analyze the potential environmental impacts of policies set forth in the General Plan. Staff hopes to have the DEIR ready for public review by early June.

Elements of the Ione General Plan include housing, conservation, open space, community character, health and safety, land use and circulation. The City's General Plan acts as a blueprint that guides future development and economic growth in order to create a well-balanced and sustainable community.

The draft General Plan and other related materials are currently posted for public review on the Ione General Plan Update web site. Materials from past public workshops, City Council and Planning Commission meetings are also available, along with other information, on the web site at [www.ionegeneralplan.com](http://www.ionegeneralplan.com). For additional information regarding the General Plan Update, contact City Planner Christopher Jordan at 274-2412, ext. 104.

## Songs of Johnny Cash at Castle

A Preston Castle Foundation dinner show featuring the songs of Johnny Cash will be held at the Preston Castle patio on July 18. Performed by James Garner and band, this show will bring back memories of one of the greatest entertainers of our time. If you are a fan of Johnny Cash and his music, you will not want to miss this.

Doors will open at 5:30 PM with a no-host bar and dinner that will include BBQ top sirloin, baked potato, green salad, beans, cole slaw, ambrosia and toasted garlic bread. Price per person is \$35. For information call 209-256-3623 or visit the website at [www.prestoncastle.com](http://www.prestoncastle.com). All proceeds will benefit the restoration of Preston Castle.

## Volcano Communications Opens Office in Downtown Ione

To better service the Ione and Camanche areas, Volcano Communications Group has opened a new office in downtown Ione. With many customers in the area, the company's decision to locate a branch in Ione, is to provide an improved level of customer service for existing and new customers.

The new office offers demos featuring DVR equipment and HD channels, along with an Internet "hot spot" for wireless access. Office manager and service representative Gene Manning is available to answer any questions regarding Volcano's services and equipment. Navigating the world of new technology can sometimes be confusing. If you are considering purchasing a new HDTV, talk to Gene. He can provide information on products on the market that may best fit your needs, and Volcano services to support your purchase.

The Volcano product offering includes high speed Internet access up to the high end at 3 MEG. In addition, they offer all digital cable TV with 320 channels, premium channels such as HBO, STARZ, Showtime and Encore, over 50 HD channels along with digital video recorder (DVR) equipment. Plans are in place to offer video-on-demand in the near future. For your convenience, payments can be made at this office. *(Continued on page 2)*

## Craving's Restaurant Open in Ione

Craving's Restaurant has opened in the Ione Hotel and offers European and American fare for lunch and dinner. Chef Chuck Swisher brings over 18 years of experience in the food industry including, restaurant management, catering and dietary training. His partner Ian Beharry will handle the bar that will include live entertainment, Karaoke and dancing. Ian has over 12 years of experience in multi-level entertainment. Craving's will be opened Tuesday through Sunday. Hours are 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM for lunch and dinner and bar hours are 11:00 AM to 2:00 AM. Craving's will offer catering for special events at the restaurant. For more information, call the Ione Hotel at 209-274-6082.

## Around Town

*The lone pool* is open and offering lessons and recreational swimming for all ages. Certified Red Cross swim instructors and lifeguards will offer the latest swim lesson techniques and ensure safe recreational swimming. The pool is located at the lone Jr. High School, 450 Mill Street in lone. The schedule follows:

Weekend Recreation Swimming – 12:30 to 8:00 PM  
Weekday Recreation Swimming – 1:00 to 8:00 PM  
Lap Swim Starts June 8 – M-F 12:00 to 1:00 PM  
**The pool will be closed June 9<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-5:00 PM**

### Daily Cost – Recreational and Lap Swim

- 17 yrs & under - \$2.00
- 18 to 54 yrs - \$2.50
- 55 yrs and older - \$2.00

### Season Pass Cost

Family (Immediate) 4 or less – Additional \$10 each

- lone City Residents - \$125
- Non-Residents - \$135

### Individual

- lone Resident - \$45
- Non Resident - \$55

### Adult Lap Swim

- lone Resident - \$20
- Non-resident - \$30

**Group Swim Lessons** - \$40 (2 wks) \$20 (1 wk)

### Private and parent/child lessons by appointment

- Session I – June 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Session II – July 1<sup>st</sup>

**Bedbug Challenge Run/Walk for lone Schools** was a success with over 120 walkers and 58 runners participating. The goal of \$5000 was met, with a total of \$5,535 donated. The elementary school received 70% of the donations and the Jr. High 30%. The elementary school received the school winner's trophy for highest percent participation. There were 15 major donors contributing \$100 to over \$500 each. They included service groups, companies and individuals. The balance of contributions came from entry fees. Twenty-eight volunteers worked the event. Thank you to the community for supporting our students. Funds will be used for library, art, music and sports programs not funded by the school district.

**Pampered Chef Fundraiser** sponsored by the Sacred Hearts Ladies Club will be held on June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall. If you love Pampered Chef merchandise, you will love this meeting. It will be a "Pampered Chef party!" Please join the group and bring a friend to look at new items and old favorites.

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The deadline for input is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Input forms are available at City Hall, on the City website or email Sharon Long, at [ionecitynews@ione-ca.com](mailto:ionecitynews@ione-ca.com).

# Sunny Days!

## City Meetings - June

### City Council

June 2 & 16 6:00 PM City Hall

### Planning Commission

June 9 6:00 PM City Hall

### Parks & Recreation

June 23 6:00 PM City Hall

## Organization Meetings

### Castle Oaks Women's Club Luncheon

Lunches suspended for June, July & August  
Information – 209-274-2668

### Grange & Jr. Grange Meetings & Potluck

2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs – 6:00 PM – VFW Hall – Info 209-610-9415

### IBCA Board Meeting

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 8:30 AM – Castle Oaks Golf Club

Mixer June 18 - 5:30 PM – Preston Castle

### lone Homecoming Picnic Association

1<sup>st</sup> Wed – 6:30 PM – VFW Hall

### Eastern Star Meeting – 274-2340

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 7:30 PM – lone Masonic Hall

### Methodist Church Soup Supper – 274-2852

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday each month – 5:00 - 6:30 PM

### Preston Castle Foundation

1<sup>st</sup> Wed - 6:30 PM – Cornerstone Church

### Rainbow Assembly – 274-0354

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – 7:00 PM – lone Masonic Hall

### Rotary Club Meeting

Thursdays – 12:00 Noon – Location TBD

### Veterans of Foreign War Meeting – VFW Hall

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday – Family dinner 6:00 PM – Meeting 7:00 PM

## Upcoming Events

### E-Waste Collection (Note extended hours)

Sponsored by Preston Castle Foundation & lone Rotary

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon - Preston Castle

**Preston Castle Tours** – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays – Apr-Oct

Special tours call 209-256-3623.

## Important Numbers

City Hall	209-274-2412
Emergency	911
Non-emergency	209-223-6513 (Sheriff's dispatch)
City Web Site	<a href="http://www.ione-ca.com">www.ione-ca.com</a>

## Volcano Communications (Continued)

Both the interior and exterior of the office building are being completely renovated. New paint, carpet, restoration of the brick wall inside and a new façade have all been done with the intent to maintain the integrity of the original architectural design. A grand opening for the public is planned upon completion of the renovation.

Volcano Communications has been in Amador County since the early 1900's. The current owners purchased the company in 1950, and have been in the cable business since 1984. The office is located at 24 Main Street in downtown lone and is open Tuesday through Saturday 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. The phone number is 209-274-2660.