

CITY OF IONE NEWS

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FREE Assistance with Tax Prep

Each year, volunteers in Amador County assist local taxpayers with state and federal tax preparation. The service is made available to seniors and to low and moderate income tax payers through the AARP Taxaide program. The service is free.

From April 2-16, volunteers will be available at the Senior Center in Jackson, Pine Grove at the Church at the Cross, and in Ione at the Cornerstone Church located at 116, South Church Street.

To make an appointment, taxpayers need to contact the Senior Center at 209-223-0442. You will be provided an appointment date and time and also information on what materials to bring to the appointment. Tax preparers will be in Ione each Tuesday, April 2-16. If that day of the week does not work for you, appointments can be scheduled in Jackson on Monday and Thursday as well.

The Taxaide program has been assisting residents of Amador County for more than 25 years. Last year, the group assisted more than 600 local taxpayers.

Miss Ione Scholarship Pageant Applications Being Accepted

Applications are being accepted for the annual Miss Ione Scholarship Pageant. This event offers a \$1000 scholarship to the winner to be used for vocational or college education. Applicants must be 16 to 18 years, a resident of the Ione community, hold a GPA of 2.0. Judging is based on speech or talent, an interview, essay and evening gown competition.

The pageant is scheduled for May 5th at the Ione Elementary School. For information and an application, contact pageant chairperson, Lori Haney at 209-419-1519.

A Safety Message from City of Ione Fire Chief Ken Mackey

Each year, hundreds of homes burn nationwide due to improper disposal of ashes from the fireplace or barbecue. The Ione Fire Department wants to ensure that this never happens to you.

The following are the proper way to dispose of ashes:

- Always place the ashes from your fireplace or barbecue into a metal container with a lid.
- Place the container outside and away from any structure—at least 10 feet if possible.
- Soak the ashes with water and stir, and then place the lid on the metal container.
- Leave the ashes for at least four days and recheck before disposing of the ashes.

The following are things to **NEVER** do when disposing of ashes:

- **NEVER** put ashes in a plastic container, paper or plastic bag.
- **NEVER** put ashes inside your house or garage.
- **NEVER** place ashes on your porch or deck, or within 10 feet of the house.
- **NEVER** place the ashes in your garbage waste can.

These safety tips may appear simple and obvious, but when not followed, they are one of the leading causes of residential structure fires. This information is provided by the Fire Department to protect you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the Ione Fire Department at 209-274-4548.

Special Election – February 28th

Part I – Regarding the Recall – Vote Yes or No

Part II – Candidate to Succeed – Vote for One Dale Haney or Jim Ulm

Around Town

5th Grade Science Campers are close to their goal of funding the annual week long science camp experience for the 77 kids and 18 chaperons attending this year's event. The camp is scheduled for March of this year. Each student is asked to pay \$50 and the balance is raised through various donations and fundraising events. Funds are still needed for bus transportation to the camp. If you would like to help through a donation, checks are made payable to: 5th Grade Science Camp 2012, c/o Lone Elementary School, 415 S. Lone Street, Lone, CA 95640. Federal tax ID is 27-2304828. For questions, contact Patti Fisher-Misuraca at 209-274-2541.

Amador County Ducks Unlimited is hosting an evening of great food, friendship and exclusive Ducks Unlimited merchandise and prizes. All proceeds will go to fund critical water fowl and wetlands conservation. The event will be held on Saturday, March 3rd at 6:00 PM at Evalynn Bishop Hall. There will be a non-host bar, live auction, silent auction and raffle. Tickets are available at B&W Tax and Financial Services located in downtown lone, or call Mark Bentley at 209-304-2021. Early bird ticket special at a reduced price until February 14th.

The Preston Castle Foundation announces its first two events for 2012. The 7th Annual Preston Castle Golf Classic will be held the afternoon of Thursday, May 3 at the Castle Oaks Golf Club. On Saturday, June 9th, the talented and entertaining Joni Morris will return to the Castle. Mark these dates on your calendar. Details will follow in April/May.

Rotary of Lone Library Renovation Project plans are underway. The group is looking for assistance with donated material, labor, or discounts on materials that include: shelving, paint, carpet, ceiling tiles, lighting and cabinet making skills. If you are interested, please contact Richard Forster at 209-608-4748. If you would like to donate to this renovation project, checks are made payable to: Rotary of Lone (note Library Project) and mailed to Rotary of Lone, P.O. Box 1264, Lone, CA 95640.

It's leap year – Let's Have a Pizza Party! The Lone Fire Fighters Association will be holding a Pizza Party at the Pizza Factory at Main and Church Streets on February 29th from 5 to 8 PM. Fire fighters will be delivering the pizza to your home. Proceeds raised are to purchase needed equipment and safety clothing for the Fire Department to be able to serve the community. Please call in an order at 274-0270 or stop by on the 29th. Questions call 256-4498.



Valentine's Day – February 14th

City Meetings – February 2012

Meetings are held at 6:00 PM

City Council Feb 7 & 21

Planning Commission Feb 14

Parks & Recreation Feb 28

Agendas are posted at ione-ca.com – City Council Link

City Hall will be closed February 20th

Organization Meetings & Activities

Bingo at Clark's Corner – 209-304-3732

3rd Wednesday, 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Bingo, Raffle, Food & Drinks – 209-274-6075

1st Saturday, 7:00 PM - Camanche Community Center

Castle Oaks Women's Club Luncheon

3rd Monday – 11:30 check-in. - Information: 209-274-6639

Castle Oaks Women's Bible Study Group

Wednesdays, 10-11:30 AM. Call 274-0600

Grange & Jr Grange Meetings

2nd Thursday – 6:00 PM – VFW Hall – 209-610-9415

4th Tuesday – 6:00 PM – Sacred Heart Parrish Hall – 274-2048

IBCA Board Meeting

3rd Thursday – 8:30 AM – Castle Oaks Golf Club

3rd Thursday – 5:30 PM – JTS Sales Office – Castle Oaks Blvd

Lone Homecoming Picnic Association

1st Wednesday – 6:30 PM – VFW Hall

Lone Masonic Lodge #80 – 274-0354

2nd Wednesday – 8:00 PM – Lone Masonic Hall

Eastern Star Meeting – 274-4289 or 274-0354

3rd Thursday – 7:30 PM – Lone Masonic Hall

Methodist Church Lone - Food Distribution & Meals

Interfaith Food Bank and EFAP - 3rd Saturday, 10:30 -12:30

Senior food distribution – 1st Thursday – 11:00-12:00 noon

Senior meals every Thursday – 11:30 AM – Call 223-3015

Free Soup Supper – 4th Wednesday – 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Native Sons Parlor 33

1st & 3rd Wednesday – 7:00 PM – Native Sons' Bldg, Lone

Preston Castle Foundation Meetings

1st Wednesday - 6:30 PM – Cornerstone Church

Rotary of Lone Club Meeting

1st Thursday 6:00 PM – All others 12 noon –Clark's Corner

Veterans of Foreign War Meeting – lone Memorial Hall

2nd Friday – Family dinner 6:00 PM – Meeting 7:00 PM

Important Numbers

City Hall 209-274-2412

Emergency 911

Non-emergency 209-223-6513 or 209-223-6500

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The deadline for input is the 20th of each month. Input forms are available at City Hall, on the City website or email Sharon Long, ionecitynews@ione-ca.com

E-Waste Collection

Sponsored by Preston Castle Foundation

1st Saturday – 10:00 to 12:00 - Preston Castle