

City of Ione NEWS



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No Dogs on the Ball Fields

Little League and Soccer play is about to commence on the Howard Park playing fields. Every year kids step in dog poop when fielding a ball in either sport. Per City Code 6.04.030 (B.): *The owner of any animal shall not allow any animal to deposit fecal matter upon any private property, public street, or other public place and the immediate area without removing and properly disposing of the fecal matter [immediately].* *Note—Any violation of this subsection within any 12-month period shall constitute a civil infraction punishable by A FINE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100.00 FOR THE FIRST VIOLATION; \$250.00 FOR THE SECOND VIOLATION; AND \$500 FOR THE THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT VIOLATIONS.

Additionally, per Code 6.04.031(C.) *it is unlawful whether on a leash or at-large for a dog to be on city property designated as a baseball field, soccer field, or any area routinely used by individuals and youth for the purpose of sporting activities.*

Dog owners can walk their leashed dogs anywhere in Ione EXCEPT FOR the little league and soccer fields. Please use the dog park enclosure for off-leash purposes. Bags & disposal can are there to clean up after your dog makes a deposit (they always do!) and more bags/can stations are located at various city park locations. Best bet when out with your pet? Carry a bag! Woof!

Sewer Bill Return Envelopes

You may have thought the City forgot the return envelope with your March bill, but not so. In an effort to save on expenses, the City of Ione has discontinued the inclusion of a return envelope for making payments. The City staff welcomes you to stop by City Hall between 8am and 4:30pm, Mon.-Fri., to pick up 12 return envelopes.

City Hall Has Installed a DROP BOX

If you find yourself sliding your monthly sewer bill or other documents through the front door at City Hall after hours, you will be happy to know that a drop box has been installed in the lower right panel of City Hall's front door.

Pay Your Sewer Bill Online

If you want to pay your sewer bill online: you can go to www.xpressbillpay.com, click Sign In, verify your email address at the prompt, and enter your account number. You may also call Xpress Bill Pay at 800-766-2350. To avoid a late fee, payments must be received no later than the 25th of each month.

City of Ione NEWS The deadline for input is the 20th of each month. Input forms are available at City Hall, on the City website www.ione-ca.com, or send an email with phone # and your info to laurie.lord53@outlook.com

New City Council Appointee

City Council recently advertised a vacancy on Council and nine people submitted letters of interest. After public interviews held on February 25, the Council appointed Rodney Plamondon to fill the vacant seat. Rodney served on the Parks and Planning commissions over the past two years. Officially sworn into office on March 2, Rodney brings a great deal of experience to the dais, in the areas of wastewater, budget, operations planning, and maintenance. He can be reached via email at rplamondon@ione-ca.com.

Ione Veterans "Walk For the Troops"

It is with great disappointment that we must inform one and all that this year's Walk for the Troops celebration will again be cancelled due to the pandemic. The safety and welfare of our community must come first and foremost during this very sensitive time. This event will take place again in April 2022.

Fire Safety Top Priority

With the hot, dry weather and winds, weed abatement is an ongoing concern and cause of wildfires. All property owners and occupants must ensure the safety of our city from fires and other health problems such as snakes, rats, ticks, etc. The Fire Department reminds everyone to cut weeds to 2 inches or less and remove all combustibles & weeds around your property. Also, the State Water Resources Board has just announced that, due to persistent dry conditions in most California watersheds, we must all prepare for drought.

Ione Monthly Sewer Bill

If you reside within the Ione City limits, City Municipal Code states that property owners are responsible to provide the City Clerk with notification of sale or transfer of property. It has recently come to staff's attention that there are occupied houses in the new subdivisions whose owners have not contacted the City to set up their sewer account (and therefore haven't received their monthly sewer bills). Amador Water Agency bills for water service ONLY; the City of Ione provides sewer service. If you reside in Ione and have not yet provided the required information to City Hall, please do so at your earliest convenience. The City is currently allowing residents who have not been receiving/paying their monthly statement to catch up on the accrued fees (\$40.70 per month) with no penalty or interest over a one-year period. For questions or concerns please contact City Hall at 274-2412, ext. 104. ***Ione City Municipal Code 13.52.030 - Persons responsible for Sewer charges. All sewer service charges shall be billed to the current owner of the premises. It shall be and is made the duty of all owners to inform the City Clerk immediately of any change in ownership of the premises. In particular, but not by way of limitation, owner shall immediately inform the City Clerk of any sale or transfer of such premises by such owner. The owner of the premises is and shall be responsible for payment of any and all sewer service charges applicable to the premises owned by such owner.***

Around Town

Lifeguards Needed This Summer



The Amador County Recreational Agency ("ACRA") is currently looking for Certified Lifeguards for the 2021 summer season. ACRA manages the lone pool, and other pools around the county. This is a paid position through ACRA at \$14/hr. Minimum age to apply is 15. ACRA offers certification classes for those interested in becoming a lifeguard. The pools are in operation the first weekend in June through Labor Day. Days of the week and hours are yet to be determined. For more information contact Michelle Dondero at mdondero@amadorgov.org or visit www.goacra.org for certification classes availability.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Amador County Health Dept. has a COVID-19 vaccine clinic scheduled Fri. April 16 at Evalynn Bishop Hall, 600 S. Church St., for those at least 18 years old. Appointments are required. For more information: <https://www.amadorgov.org/services/covid-19>.

Blood Drive donors must book appointments online at www.vitalant.org or call sponsor Kristi Roots Insurance at 209-274-4543. If booking online, you will complete a health questionnaire on the day of the drive at vitalant.org/health. *Vitalant* is currently testing all donors for COVID-19 antibodies. Donors must be at least 16 (and bring a signed permission slip), weigh 110lbs or more, be in good health, and bring ID. **Monday, April 12 at Evalynn Bishop Hall inside Howard Park (600 S. Church St.), 1:30-5:30pm.**

Easter Sunrise Service will begin at 6:44 AM on Sunday, April 4 at 5555 Highway 104 (east side of town). The community is invited to enjoy an inspiring service overlooking Lone, hosted by Cornerstone and King's View churches. Dress warmly!

Ladies Golf Club at Castle Oaks will host a 50% off golf Guest Day on April 20th with a backup rain day of April 27th. Interested ladies are encouraged to join to see what the group is all about and make new friends. For more information call or email by April 9th. Contact membership chair Vicki Main at 480-298-4477, vickimain@live.com, or Cindy Koyle at 209-274-4376, ckoyle@volcano.net.

Lone Rotary Cow Bingo tickets still available! Only a few dozen \$50 tickets are left, and the \$2200 in proceeds will go towards the Depot Park renovation. Contact Richard Forster or any Rotarian.

Pinnacle Mini-Storage (formerly Fred's) located just outside lone on Martin Ln. at Hwy 88 has new owners. Peter Misuraca and Patti Fisher-Misuraca became the new owners as of April 1, 2021. Lifelong lone residents, Peter and Patti have also owned and operated Pinnacle Alarm locally since 1996. They look forward to serving the residents of their community and will personally manage the business. The phone number will remain the same. Contact Peter Misuraca at 209-274-4034.

lone Homecoming is ON! May 7, 8 & 9
Stay tuned for details!

City Meetings – April 2021

Meetings are held at 6:00 PM – Remote or in person

City Council	April 6 and 20
Planning Commission	April 13
Creek Committee	April 8
Parks & Recreation	April 27

Agendas are posted at www.ione-ca.com–City Gov't Link (see Agenda heading for information on how to participate in person or via Zoom)

Organization Meetings & Activities

Castle Oaks Women's Bible Study Group

Wednesday – 10-11:30am - Call 209-274-0600

Castle Oaks Women's 18-Hole Golf Group

Tuesday AM – Call 209-274-4376

Disabled American Veterans – Chapter 118 Meeting

Veterans Hall – 3rd Thursday 6pm – 925-212-6962

Fit After 50 Fitness Class – Perry Earl Park @ Castle Oaks

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9-10am

Grange & Jr Grange Meetings

4th Tues. – 6:00pm Sacred Heart Parrish Hall 209-610-9415

IBCA Board Meeting – www.myione.com

3rd Thursday 8:30am – 209-274-2777 for location info. Mixers cancelled until further notice

lone Public Cemetery Board Mtg 2nd Thurs @ 3pm

500 S Church St lone – Info 209-274-0274

lone Homecoming Picnic Association

General Information: 209-304-7970 or 209-663-1342

lone Ladies Association Luncheon

Information: Terresa Odom - 916-479-2657

lone Masonic Lodge #80 – Bill Wells 209-304-4853

2nd Wednesday – 7:00pm – lone Masonic Hall

lone Public Library – 25 E. Main St, lone

Mon & Wed 10-1, Tues 2-7, Thurs 1-5, Fri 1-4

Methodist Church lone - Food Distribution & Meals

All distribution of food has been suspended until further notice due to COVID19 restrictions

Native Sons Parlor 33

1st & 3rd Wednesday – 7:00pm – Native Sons' Bldg., lone

Preston Castle Foundation Meetings

1st Wednesday - 6:30 PM – Fire Station #2 Preston Ave.

Preston Castle Tours – Cancelled until further notice

Rotary of lone Club Meeting – www.ionerotary.org

1st & 3rd Thursdays – For information call 209-608-4748

Veterans of Foreign War Meeting – Veterans Hall

2nd Wednesday – Information – 209-274-4956

Important Numbers

City Hall: 209-274-2412

Emergency: 911

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

lone City Website: www.ione-ca.com

