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7th Annual Walk for the Troops

Saturday, April 29th will mark the 7th Ione Walk for the Troops. This annual event honors local veterans as well as currently serving men and women in the military. The event will start at the Ione Veterans Memorial Park and include a military honor guard, Boy Scout flag ceremony, Gold Star Mothers, patriotic music, and guest speakers. The ceremony will conclude with a tribute walk from the Memorial Park to Evalynn Bishop Hall.

A lunch will be served at 1:00 PM and include Swingle's marinated tri-tip beef sandwiches prepared by Ione's finest cooks. There will be five \$100 door prize gift certificates, as well as many raffle prizes. Lunch tickets are on sale for \$15 each and can be purchased at the following locations: American River Bank, Robyn's Nest Hair Salon, Clark's Corner, Foothill-Firearms in Jackson, and Ione Ace Hardware

Proceeds will also support two \$500 scholarships, one for Argonaut HS and one for Amador HS. These are offered to any high school student of a military family. For information on scholarships, contact the high school counseling department.

The Ione Veterans Memorial Park was conceived, built and is maintained by volunteers and the generous donations from the greater Ione community. The Ione Veterans Wall is in honor of veterans in the 95640-zip code. The park also features a plaque honoring those who are currently serving. There is no charge for any veteran or current member of the armed services to have their name placed in the park. When a veteran whose name is on the memorial wall passes, a wreath in their honor is placed at the park.

Applications for veterans or currently serving military personnel to place a name in the park are available at City Hall or American River Bank in Ione. For questions, call Gold Star Mom, Robyn Ornsby at 209-304-8780. Donations are made payable to and mailed to Ione Veterans Memorial Park, P.O. Box 370, Ione, CA 95640

Annual Hoedown Event

The Ione Picnic Association (IPA), and Cowboys Incahoots, invite the public to come on out and support the 2nd Annual Hoedown on Saturday, March 18th at Evalynn Bishop Hall. Doors open at 5:30 PM, dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. This event is being held to raise funds for the upcoming 141st Ione Homecoming to be held the second weekend in May.

Attendees will enjoy a no-host bar of beer and wine, tri-tip dinner with two sides prepared by Native Sons, assorted homemade desserts, raffle, silent auction and music by Maria Behm & the Down Riders. Tickets are \$25 each, \$40 a couple. Children 5-10 years are \$10 each. Tickets are on sale at Coldwell Banker on Main Street, or contact: Lacey – 209-304-8090 or Mitzi – 209-304-7970.

Mane Street Tack Opens Doors

Mane Street Tack is the dream of long time Amador County resident, Don Hodge. Don's love for horses evolved into a love of the Western way of life—hence a love for western tack. A general contractor by trade, Don has decided to combine both interests with Mane Street Tack, located at 14 East Main Street in downtown Ione. DW Construction office will be located in the back of the shop.

Mane Street Tack is a consignment shop dedicated to making horse ownership more affordable. To uphold a standard of quality, they will accept only clean and quality reusable items. All equine items will be considered. The shop is accepting items for consignment at this time, and will have a Facebook page. The Mane Street Tack team looks forward to meeting people in the community.

Other businesses soon to open in Ione

- Ione Feed & Ranch Supply, 117 W. Jackson
- Ione Public House, 22 E Main Street
- Rich Hoffman Gallery 28 E. Main Street

These businesses will be featured a future edition of the City of Ione Newsletter.

Around Town

Preston Castle Volunteers Needed – Interested in becoming a trained historic docent for the Preston Castle Foundation? This is fun way to get involved in your community and to meet interesting people. If you are a high school student, there are several positions to help you get your community service hours. Public tours are offered nearly every Saturday during tour season. The 2017 tour season runs April 1st through the end of August. There are also opportunities to volunteer at Castle special events. With several volunteer positions to choose from, it won't be hard to find your niche. If you are interested in becoming a docent, please contact Sybil Griffith at: sg4pcf@yahoo.com, or call 209-781-5475. You can also get information, dates, and details at www.prestoncastle.com.

Photographer's Day - March 12 – 10 AM – 2 PM
Photographer's Day at Preston Castle is a self-guided tour that allows visitors four hours to roam and explore the non-restricted areas of the castle. This allows time needed to setup shots without rushing to keep up the pace of the normal tours. For more information, and to purchase tickets at \$40 each, logon to the website, www.prestoncastle.com.

Bingo at Clark's is now being held the first Thursday of each month at Clark's Corner starting at 6:30 PM. All players will receive a free door prize ticket. Food, drink, and dessert are available for purchase. Proceeds from bingo will benefit the Annual Ione Homecoming held the second weekend in May. For bingo information, call 209-610-9415.

Rotary Cow/Calf Bingo Tickets are now on sale from any Ione Rotarian. This event is part of the Ione Homecoming celebration and is sure to delight and please the winners. Here's how it works—each year Ethel the Wonder Cow and Horny the Wonder Calf are part of the Saturday Homecoming Parade. After the parade, they are escorted to an area at Howard Park that is marked with bingo squares. They are left to do what cows and calves do, and where ever the cow or calf pie lands—we have a winner. Tickets cost and prizes are:

- \$100 per square = \$5,000 winner (Cow)
- \$50 per square = \$2,500 winner (Calf)
- \$20 per square = \$1,000 winner (Cow or Calf)

Proceeds from this event support four \$1,250 scholarships to Argonaut HS Seniors. In addition, \$2,000 is donated to the Rotary Foundation in support of Polio-Plus. Help to support both of these efforts, and get your tickets today. For information, contact Richard Forster at 209-608-4748.

City Meetings – March 2017

Meetings are held at 6:00 PM – Council Chambers

City Council	March 7 & 21
Planning Commission	March 14
Parks & Recreation	March 28

Agendas are posted at www.ione-ca.com – City Council Link
City Hall's Friday closing time to the public is 1:00 PM

Organization Meetings & Activities

Amador Co Historical Rail Foundation – 209-332-0449
2nd Thursday – 6 PM - 810 Court St, Jackson, Rm C
Bingo at Clarks – 209-610-9415
1st Thursday, 6:30 to 8:00 PM
Bingo, Raffle, Food & Drinks – 209-274-6075
1st Saturday, 7:00 PM - Camanche Community Center
Castle Oaks Women's Club Luncheon
Information: 209-274-2625
Castle Oaks Women's Bible Study Group
Wednesday - 10-11:30 AM - Call 274-0600
Disabled American Veterans - Chapter 118 Meeting
Ione Memorial Hall–2nd Wednesday 3:30 PM – 209-274-4956
Fit After 50 Fitness Class - Ione Methodist Church
Mon & Thurs 9-10 and Wed 9:30 – 10:30
Grange & Jr Grange Meetings
2nd Thursday – 6:00 PM – Ione Memorial Hall – 209-610-9415
4th Tuesday – 6:00 PM – Sacred Heart Parrish Hall – 274-2048
IBCA Board Meeting– www.myione.com
3rd Thursday – 8:30 AM – Board Mtg -Castle Oaks Golf Club
Mixer – 3rd Thursday – 5:30 PM – Pizza Factory
Ione Homecoming Picnic Association
General Information: 209-304-7970 or 209-663-1342
Ione Masonic Lodge #80 – 274-0354
2nd Wednesday – 8:00 PM – Ione Masonic Hall
Ione Public Library – 25 E. Main St, Ione
Mon & Wed 10-1, Tues 2-7, Thurs 1-5, Fri 1-4
Methodist Church Ione - 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 Coffee, Pastries & Conversation 4th Saturday – 9:30-11:30
Native Sons Parlor 33
1st & 3rd Wednesday – 7:00 PM – Native Sons' Bldg, Ione
Preston Castle Foundation Meetings
1st Wednesday - 6:30 PM – Cornerstone Church
Rotary of Ione Club Meeting – www.ionerotary.org
1st Thursday 6:00 PM – All others 12 noon –Clark's Corner
Veterans of Foreign War Meeting – VFW Hall
2nd Wednesday – Family dinner 6:00 PM – Meeting 7:00 PM
Information – 209-274-4956

Important Numbers

City Hall	209-274-2412
Emergency	911
Non-emergency	209-223-6513 or 209-223-6500
Ione City Website	www.ione-ca.com

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 email Sharon Long, smlong55@hotmail.com.