

Amador Community News

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Helloooo, Amador County! How's the summer going thus far? Having fun, staying cool, getting out and about? Who says there's nothing to do? Don't stay at home, bored...check out ACN at:

www.amadorcommunitynews.com and find out about "everything Amador County!"

I'd go to ACN if I knew how! Have a computer question? **ACUG New Users Group** meets on the 4th Weds of each month from 2-4PM at the Amador Senior Center, 229 New York Ranch Rd, Jackson. Get help with those with nagging computer questions, even learn how to turn the darn thing on! For more info, call 296-2390, visit www.acug.net, or e-mail info@acug.net.

Gas prices getting you down? Commute wearing and tearing down your car...and yourself? There are alternatives...form a carpool! Join Foothill Rideshare today, you'll be glad you did! www.foothillrideshare.com
Plymouth Community Market is every Thurs from 4-7PM. McGee Park on Main St. Food, live music, wine tasting, fresh produce and local crafts. Benefits Plymouth Elementary School.

Amador Farmer's Markets, weekly local markets in Pine Grove, Sutter Creek and Jackson. Find one near you! Go to: www.amadorfarmersmarket.com

Amador Child Abuse Prevention Council. It only takes a minute to make a difference in the lives of our children. See ACAPC's most recent newsletter online at www.amadorcapc.org

ACWN's Monte Carlo Night! Sat, Sept 6 at Evelyn Bishop Hall, Ione. Get your tickets while they're H-O-T! This annual fundraiser supports ACWN's scholarship program for deserving young high-school senior girls. Invest in their futures and have a whole lotta fun at the same time! Tickets are only \$25; \$40 per couple - what a fun date night! For more info, go to www.acwnonline.com
Swing your partner! Jackson Claim Jumpers' Square Dance Club is offering FREE square dancing classes are starting up; new-dancer classes start Sept 8, 15 & 22 at 7:30PM, Amador Senior Center, 229 New York Ranch Rd., Jackson. It's not square, it's DANCING! Fun, fitness and friendship set to music. Call 267-9004, 296-8701, or 296-3718 for more information.

Amador Master Gardeners' free class "Preserving Your Harvest" on Sat, Aug 16 from 10AM-12PM at the UCCE/Ag office, 12200B Airport Road, Jackson/Martell. Food preserving, like freezing, canning and drying of fruits, vegetables and herbs will be presented. Call Rita 245-3119 or e-mail ritamarie@gotsky.com

Bluegrassin' in the Foothills! Get your Early Bird tickets before Sept 1st for one of the most fantastic, amazing, musical experiences you'll ever have, right here in Amador County! Amazing, talented musicians - with bluegrassers, you have kin wherever you go! Get early bird tickets at Minestock, too (see LMNO this page)! For more info, go to: www.landspromotions.com

FREE Kids Yoga Classes. Designed for children 0 - 5 years old. Classes begin on Sat Sept. 2 from 10:30-11:30AM and run for 8 weeks at Pine Grove Town Hall on Hwy 88. Class size will be limited to 15 families for these sessions. To register and for more information, contact Marie Schluter at 209-223-1521 or marieschluter@mac.com

August 23rd Car Show and Fun Day - Sat Aug 23 at Faith Lutheran Church 22601 Hwy 88, Pioneer. Fun for the whole family! Free hot dogs, snow cones and cotton candy. Plate painting, candy making and jewelry cleaning demonstrations will be on hand. Stay for the face painting, water slide, water balloon toss, and bingo as well. Advanced car registration; please call Susan at call 223-3069 so we can save you a space.

Sutter Creek "21 Song Cycle" Aug. 31-Sept. 1 at 3PM American Exchange Hotel on 53 Main Street. Dr. Robert Denham, who often visited Sutter Creek as a child, will perform the world premier of a song cycle of 21 songs based on the town's history and his experiences visiting here as a youngster. There is no admission cost, but freewill donations are welcome to cover costs of travel. Reservations not necessary but recommended. RSVP to: Robert.denham@biola.edu

MIMOSA SINGS for Bill Durston, Democratic Candidate for the 3rd Congressional District on Sunday, Sept. 14, 2008 from 2-5 p.m. in the Grand Oak Ballroom of the Rancheria Hotel and Conference Center. Tickets are \$30.00 For more information, call 296-4754. To purchase tickets on Act-Blue, go to: www.DurstonforCongress.org.

And so much more!

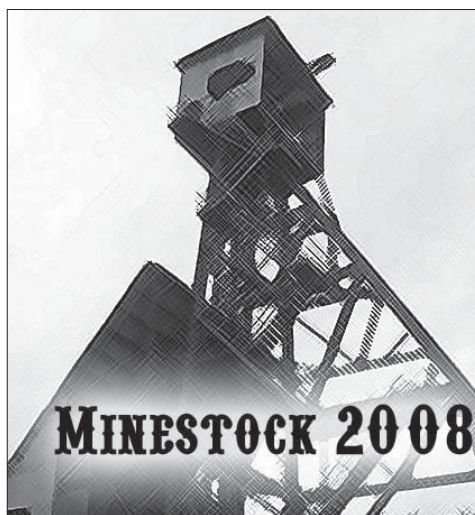
There's a lot more coming up, such as: Five EZ Pieces Golf Tournament in Ione; Sutter Creek is having an Organ Rally, Chili Cook-off and Car Show, and the popular Blues & Brews; Heritage Days is coming up in downtown Jackson, and you don't want to miss and of course...MINESTOCK! Be sure to go to ACN for details and updates on these and so many more things happening in Amador County!

Did you know...?

Amador County has an Archery School? Lodi Bowmen's Archery School is now enrolling students for Oct classes in Ione. Designed for all ages; cost is \$100 per individual, or \$150 per family unit. All equipment is provided; class is conducted by certified instructors for four consecutive weekends, both Sat & Sun, from 9AM to 1:00PM beginning Oct 11th. Classes are held at Lodi Bowmen's Archery Range, Buena Vista Rd, near north Lake Camanche. For more info, contact Brent Sloan at 209-571-1618 or e-mail: archeryplus@pacbell.net

Web site of the Month: First 5 Amador, www.first5amador.com

The mission of First 5 Amador is to promote, support, and enhance the optimal development of Amador County's children from zero to five years of age. First 5 believes that broad community involvement is critical to the success of this mission. Proposition 10 funds support projects based on identified needs and opportunities for children and families in Amador County. For more information, go to: www.first5amador.com



Amador kindergartners "ready to learn". Future Jackson Elementary students Chet Castoe, Erik Jones and Keilawnee Landerger practice writing their names. This summer 70 children throughout Amador County participated in the "Bridge", an annual transition to Kindergarten program. "Learning to Love, Loving to Play, Playing to Learn, Ready to Learn" is the official slogan of First 5 Amador's School Readiness Program. *Photo courtesy to Amador Community News / Gold Country Times.*

LMNO REVERB

www.lmnogoldcountry.com

Go where the music is.

Minestock 2008 Rescheduled for Labor Day Weekend! That's right, music lovers and LMNO cronies! Minestock was rained out on Memorial Day weekend, but do think that's gonna hold us back? NOT! It has been rescheduled for **Sunday, August 31, at the Kennedy Mine Amphitheater on Jackson Gate Road.** Gates open at 2:30 and the music starts at 3:00. This is an open mike event, and all musicians (and music lovers) are welcome to join us. Musicians: bring your instruments and gear! Listeners: bring your chairs and blankets and enjoy a summer evening with music, food, and friends!

Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at Home Sweet Home in Jackson (39 Main Street, 223-4663), Hein & Company Bookstore in Jackson (204 Main Street, 223-9076), Mother Lode Music in Martell (11310 Prospect Drive, #20, 223-4323), Lizzie Anne's Gift Shop in Sutter Creek (48 Main Street, 267-5680), and at the Amador Council of Tourism Visitor Center in Plymouth (9310 Pacific St., across from the 49er RV park). You can also contact Kathy Allen at 209-296-7176. Tickets will also be available at the door; however, seating is on a first come basis, so get there early! Tickets purchased in advance include a free meal and drink.

Minestock is a partnered event between the Kennedy Mine Foundation, Twin Rivers Productions, and of course, LMNO! Our core bands include: *Badd JuJu, As Yet Untitled, Pueblo Rooftop, Windhorse* and the *Speakeazy Jazz Orchestra*. Sound provided by Twin Rivers Productions. Musicians, if you have questions, e-mail me and I will forward your inquiries on to the right people:

goldcountrymusicians@gmail.com

LMNO Spotlight: MINESTOCK 2008

www.kennedyminefoundation.org

Minestock is a fundraiser to furnish a new Kennedy Mine Archive Building, which will house historic documents, such as maps and photographs that date back as far as 1860. Now there's a little history for you! The Archive Building will include a state-of-the-art, environmentally-controlled storage vault, perfect for storing and preserving historic papers. If you can't make it to Minestock, but would like make a tax-deductible donation for the Kennedy Mine Archive Building, contact Kathy Allen at 209-296-7176. *Make plans for Labor Day weekend to include Minestock!*



Pueblo Rooftop, Windhorse, and As Yet Untitled are just two of five core bands that will be performing at Minestock on Sunday, August 31 at the Kennedy Mine Amphitheater. Courtesy Photo to the Gold Country Times