



GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Notice of City Budget Committee Meeting

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Gladstone, Clackamas County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 will be held at Gladstone City Hall, 525 Portland Avenue, Gladstone, Oregon 97027 on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 beginning at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget messages and to receive comment from the public on the budget. The meeting may be continued to May 11, 2015 unless subsequently no-

ticed. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 29, 2015 at Gladstone City Hall 525 Portland Avenue, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A copy of the budget will also be available on the City of Gladstone website www.ci.gladstone.or.us. These are public meetings where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meetings and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

Notice of Urban Renewal Budget Committee Meeting

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Gladstone Urban Renewal District, Clackamas County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 will be held at Gladstone City Hall, 525 Portland Avenue, Gladstone, Oregon 97027 on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 starting no earlier than 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget messages and to receive comment from the public on the budget. The meeting may be continued to May 11, 2015 unless subsequently noticed. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 29, 2015 at Gladstone City Hall 525 Portland Avenue, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. A copy of the budget will also be available on the City of Gladstone website www.ci.gladstone.or.us. These are public meetings where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meetings and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee.

Business License Fees

City Council will hold a meeting on April 28, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in order to discuss the topic of business license and rental fees. City Council will not be adjusting fees at this meeting. The public is encouraged to attend. Testimony may be limited to 3 minutes. Written statements will be accepted prior to the meeting. Correspondence should be sent to Pete Boyce, City Administrator, 525 Portland Avenue, Gladstone, OR 97027 or boyce@ci.gladstone.or.us. Copies of the City Council meeting packets will be posted on the City website www.ci.gladstone.or.us one week prior to the meeting.



Gladstone Fire Dept (GFD) Recruitment

The GFD is currently recruiting for on-call firefighters. Job qualifications required: * high school diploma or equivalent; * must be a minimum of 18 years of age; * must pass a criminal background check and drug test; *must possess a current, valid Oregon driver's license and maintain a driving record insurable by the City's insurer to drive a department vehicle; *must pass the entrance physical ability test, written exam (70% or better) and interview to be accepted for the department fire academy; *must obtain State of Oregon EMT license within one year after probation and maintain for the duration of employment; *recruits are required to complete the fire academy and become certified as an NFPA Fire Fighter I. (Time commitment- approximately six months, every Friday evening and Saturday); *in addition to high school diploma, post high school education or an equivalent combination of education and experience is preferred and will be considered. Applications are available at the Gladstone Fire Station, 555 Portland Ave, M-F, 8am to 5pm. The application deadline is June 26, 2015. For info, contact Jeff Smith at 503-557-2774 or smith@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Volunteer Grant Writer

Are you a talented grant writer? Are you passionate about helping your community? If so, the City of Gladstone is making big changes and may have the perfect opportunity for you! Our new Mayor and City Councilors are excited about revitalization and redevelopment projects to improve our City and we could use help in securing funding. If you are an experienced grant writer and would like to volunteer for your community, we would like to hear from you. A detailed position description for a Volunteer Grant Writer can be found on the City website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us. After reviewing the description, if you would like to be a part of the exciting changes on the horizon, please email your resume and a brief introductory letter telling us a little about yourself and your success in the grant writing field to morishita@ci.gladstone.or.us. Thank you.

Water Project Construction Update

Pipeline work is progressing west along W. Exeter, from Bellevue Ave. Work hours are 7am to 6pm Monday-Friday. During construction W. Exeter is closed to through traffic in the one block work zone. The new river intake pump station, located on the Clackamas River, is now pumping water to the existing treatment plant in West Linn. The old intake will be demolished this summer and the site will be landscaped. Thank you for your patience during construction. For info, visit lotgardwater.org, sign up to the "water pipelines in Gladstone" email list, email lotwater@ci.oswego.or.us or call the hotline at 503-697-6502.

Disclaimer: This Newsletter contains information provided by various community individuals/groups which are not affiliated with the City of Gladstone. The City does not necessarily endorse such information and provides it simply as an informational service to our community.

City Board Vacancies

At its meeting on May 12, 2015 the City Council will consider requests for appointments to two positions on the Senior Center Advisory Board & one position on the Planning Commission. Applications must be returned by 5pm on Monday, May 4, 2015. Visit www.ci.gladstone.or.us to download an application & for additional information.

Thank You to Egg Hunt Sponsors

On Saturday, April 4th, children found approximately 4,500 plastic eggs hidden at the high school. The hunt was a success and could not have taken place without the generous help of volunteers from: Gladstone School District, Gladstone High School Key Club students, Gladstone Public Works, Fire and Police Depts, the Wooldridge family, Donna Bart, Lisa Sullivan, Cierra Walker and Linda Bender. Prizes & donations were received from: Sisul Engineering, Gladstone-Oak Grove Rotary, Watts Heating & Cooling, Gladstone Baskin-Robbins, Gladstone Burgerville, Gladstone McDonalds, Flying Pie Pizzeria, Family Fun Center, Oregon Coast Aquarium, Kellogg Bowl, Old Spaghetti Factory, Portland Children's Museum, Ultra Zone, Oregon City Swimming Pool, North Clackamas Aquatic Park, The Children's Course, Portland Aquarium, University of Portland Pilots, Seattle Seahawks, Pittsburgh Steelers & Linda Ward. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Coffee with a Councilor

Coffee with a council member is a new idea the City Council has come up with to better communicate with the residents and businesses of our community. This will be an informal meeting with 1-3 council members. Bring ideas, complaints and solutions to make Gladstone a better community. This is an informal meeting and no official decisions will be made. Upcoming meeting dates at the Gladstone Library are: April 27th, 6:30 pm, May 11th, 10am, and April 27th, 6:30 pm. Please come and share your thoughts.

Child Abuse Prevention Month

Child abuse and neglect are a public health epidemic, the effects of which are felt by whole communities. Issues of child abuse can be addressed when partnerships are created between governmental, social service agencies, schools, religious organizations and the business community. All children have a right to be safe and to be provided an opportunity to thrive, learn & grow. Get involved and participate in preventing child abuse: *Report concern of abuse to Clackamas Co. Child Abuse Hotline: 971-673-7112; *Volunteer to hand out blue pinwheels (national symbol for Child Abuse Prevention Month); *Make a donation at www.childrenscenter.cc to support child abuse awareness. To learn more about how to respond to issues of child abuse, visit the Children's Center's website at www.childrenscenter.cc or call 503-655-7725.

Annual Drug Take Back Day

The annual Drug Take Back Day will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2015 from 10am to 2pm at the Gladstone Police Dept, 535 Portland Ave. If you have unwanted or unneeded medications, you can drive right up in front of the PD and we'll take them off your hands. The Gladstone-Oak Grove Rotary Club is also hosting their "shredding event" on the same day, so you can drop off documents for shredding-and it's free! See you there!



Gladstone Police Dept. (GPD) News

*We are moving along in the process of hiring a Police Officer to fill our vacant position. We expect to have an offer to the most qualified candidate in May.
*GPD was the recipient of a DUII Enforcement grant thanks to Oregon Impact. This grant allows us to deploy officers who will focus on impaired driving from drinking, drugs or texting in order to increase the safety of our citizens and community.

Employment Opportunities

The City is accepting applications for Temporary Seasonal Employees-Field Maintenance and Temporary Seasonal Park Aides. For details, visit the employment page at www.ci.gladstone.or.us.

Kindergarten Registration

Calling all kindergarteners! If you have a child that is five years old on or before Sept. 1, 2015, it is time to register for kindergarten. Kindergarten registration is May 5th from 5:30-7:00 pm and May 7th from 9-11 am. You only need to attend one of these times to turn in paperwork needed. For info, call Heidi Smith at 503-496-3939.

It's Time for Spring Cleaning!

Take a good look around at the outside of your home, garden & property. Now that spring is here, it's time to spruce things up. Toss out junk that's been piling up in the yard or carport and dispose of that old car you'll never drive again, tune up the lawnmower and keep the grass mowed and get weeds in the garden pulled and under control. The goal of Code Enforcement is to work with the community to enhance and safeguard the quality of life in our community through education, guidance and enforcement of city codes. Please do your part by taking an active role in maintaining and improving the quality of our community by following Gladstone's Municipal Code, which can be found online at www.ci.gladstone.or.us.



Volunteers Needed

The Senior Center is looking for volunteers to answer the telephone at the front desk. Openings are for Fridays and some Mondays. Call Rhonda at the center at 503-655-7701 for information or to request a volunteer application.

Spring Art Show & Sale

The North Clackamas Art Guild will host their Spring Art Show & Sale on May 16th from 11am to 5pm at the Oak Lodge Water Dist, 14496 SE River Rd. The show is a great place to view or purchase beautiful paintings, prints & cards. The Guild is also holding their spring membership drive. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 1pm at the Oak Lodge Water Dist. For info, visit www.ncartsguild.com or call Connie Emmons at 503-454-0447.

Utility Bill Drop Box

Drop off your utility bill, including PGE, NW Natural Gas, Gladstone Water/Sewer & Gladstone Disposal bills at the Senior Center.

CITY OF GLADSTONE
525 PORTLAND AVENUE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027

503-656-2411

Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

► **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**—May 12th & 28th at 4:30 pm. Interested in representing teens at the library? TAG is a great volunteer opportunity to help plan events & shape the young adult space & collection. Ask how at Info. Desk.
► **Bored After School**—Try board games. Games available for in-library play. Inquire at the Information Desk for a list of games.
► **Family Game Night**—May 7th, 6:00 pm. Bring your own board/card game or use ours. Come meet others and have fun! Free!
► **Photography Group**—May 10th, 2:00 pm. Meets from 2-4pm the 2nd Sunday of each month. New topic assigned to be photographed and discussed each month. Occasional outings, group shows, workshops & opportunity to display work..
► **Rock Readers Book Club**—May

19th, 6:30 pm. This month club discussion, *The Long Way Home*, by Louise Penny. Books can be checked out at Info. Desk.
► **Altered Book Art**—May 12th, 6:30 pm. Create your own masterpiece out of old, discarded books. All materials provided.
► **Dr. Who Club**—May 21st, 6:00 pm. Are you a fan of Dr. Who? Meet fellow fans, watch an episode & share show related news. This month's episode, *The Wedding of Sarah Jane*. All ages welcome.
► **Oregon Author, Larry Colton**—May 26th, 6:00 pm. A former professional baseball player, Colton is now a writer & educator in Portland. He has won the Oregon Book Award, received a Pulitzer Prize nomination and an eBook of the Year Award.
► **Toddler Storytime**—0-3years. Tuesdays, 9:30 am. Movement &

rhyme oriented storytime is designed for young children. Older siblings who want to shake, read & rhyme are welcome to join!
► **Storytime**—for all ages. Thursdays in 9:30 am. Books, songs, rhymes & movement activities that build literacy & language skills.
► **Lab Rats**—May 5th & 19th, 3:30 pm. Discover the world of science through stories & experiments.
► **Book Buddies**—May 12th, 3:30 pm. Book club for elementary school children who meet for fun activities & discussion of the book. Check out copies of this month's book from the Information desk.
► **Lego Club**—May 20th, 3:30 pm. Free, unstructured Lego play time! Legos provided.
► **Library Closure**—Closed for Memorial Day on May 25th.



Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

© **March For Meals—No Senior Should Go Hungry!** - Thank you to the community and all who supported the program! Thank you to community leaders—Mayor Jacobellis and City Councilors Mersereau, McMahon and Nelson. Special Thanks to: Gladstone Nissan, Gladstone Burgerville, Crossroads Coffee Café, Executive Copy & Print, Nana's Treasures, HappyRock Coffee, Stanley's Corner, Baskin-Robbins, Pizza Hut, Tebo's, All Star Coffee and Clackamas Federal Credit Union. This campaign would not have been such a success without all of your help!!

© **Spring Fling Craft & Collectible Bazaar**—Saturday, April 25th from 9am to 3pm. Over 40 vendors from the metro area featuring: arts, crafts, food, jewelry, hats, paper items, plants, antiques, & other treasures. Proceeds benefit the Center's programs. Free admission. Food & snacks available for purchase.

© **Dental Presentation**—Thursday, April 30th from 1-1:45 pm. As we age, our teeth are at increased risk of problems. In this FREE community workshop for seniors, Dr. Krause & staff of Gladstone Family Dentistry will talk about ways elders can chew, speak and smile in comfort! Come to just listen or to ask questions about: brushing, flossing, dentures, implants or anything that's on your mind.

© **Mother's Day Lunch & Tea**—May 6th, 11:30 am. Join us for our annual Mother's Day Lunch & Tea. Not only will we enjoy entertainment, a wonderful lunch and tea, but we will have many delicious desserts to choose from. Make sure to call or sign up at the front desk. Sign ups are REQUIRED. Bring your teacup and wear your favorite hat! Cost: \$3.50.

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) News

*The 2nd Annual Veggie Plant Sale is scheduled for May 8th from noon-6pm & May 9th from 10am to 4pm in the Library parking lot. This year we've added a selection of cut flowers to mix & match. *A special thanks to Steve Leitz at Gladstone Baskin-Robbins for inviting the GPLF to join in on their community appreciation day. The foundation gave away free books to children at the event. *If you are planning to donate books/DVDs/CDs to the library we ask you bring them on Friday & Saturday from 9-11am. This gives staff time to sort and box them for sale. Cutoff date for donated materials is July 1st.

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Upcoming TRAM Trips—Call 503-655-7701 to Sign Up/Information

May 8th—Camp 18 & Jewell Meadows Elk Refuge. This restaurant is on the site of a former lumber camp. After the meal travel to Jewell Meadows to see the elk. Bring your binoculars. Leave at 9am, return at 3pm, Fare: \$15 (includes bus); ***May 11th**—Hike to Jackson Bottom Wildlife Refuge. This refuge in Hillsboro offers lovely marsh views and lots of birds. Leave at 9am, return at 2pm, Fare: \$7(bring a sack lunch). ***May 14th**—Agatha Christie-Witness for the Prosecution. Agatha Christie's famous play is presented by the New Century Players. Leave at 6:30 pm, return at 10:30 pm, Fare: \$16 (includes ticket & bus). **May 29th**—Cannon Beach. Opportunities for shopping, lunch & people watching. Leave at 8:30 am, return at 5pm, Fare: \$25 (includes bus). **TRIP POLICY:** Sign up May 1st or after for all trips listed. Sign up for three trips/month and be put on the wait list for additional trips. Please note that return times are approximate as weather, traffic or other conditions may affect travel.

Bicycle Rodeo—May 16th, 10am to 2pm in the parking lot of Gladstone Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. Kids can come & polish up on bicycle skills and receive a free bicycle helmet. Sponsored by Gladstone Police Dept. & Gladstone/Oak Grove Kiwanis.

Local Meetings—

◆ The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, May 13th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Burgerville, 19119 SE McLoughlin Blvd. Hosted by Mike Dawson. Questions? Contact Walt Fitch at walt.fitch@gmail.com or 503-

544-9672.

◆ The Gladstone Historical Society meets the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at Gladstone SDA Church, 8378 Cason Rd. For additional info. check out their website, www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org. Guests always welcome! Old photos of the community & ideas are

needed.

◆ The Gladstone Youth Coalition holds meetings the 3rd Thursday of each month from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. The community and parents are encouraged to attend.

City Hall—525 Portland Ave
Police Department—535 Portland Ave
Fire Department—555 Portland Ave
Public Works/City Shops—18595 Portland Ave
Senior Center—1050 Portland Ave
Library—135 E. Dartmouth St.

CITY MEETINGS:

***City Council**—2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) - 6:30 pm—in the City Hall Council Chambers

***Planning Commission**—3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 7:00 pm
In City Hall Council Chambers

***Library Board**—1st Tuesday—6:30 pm—City Hall Conference Room

***Traffic Safety**—4th Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm—City Hall Conference Room

***Park & Recreation**—4th Monday (as needed) - 7:00 pm
In City Hall Conference Room

***Senior Center Advisory**—held quarterly—3rd Tuesday—3:30 pm—Gladstone Senior Center

Copies of City Council and Planning Commission meeting packets and previous newsletters are on our website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us