



# GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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## Application for City Boards



Several terms on city committees, boards and commissions will expire the end of 2015. At its December 8, 2015 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments and re-appointments to two positions on the Planning Commission, three positions on the Budget Committee, one position on the Library Board, one

position on the Traffic Safety Commission, one position on the Park & Recreation Board and four positions on the Senior Center Advisory Board. To obtain an application and information about serving on a committee, board or commission, visit the city's website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us), email [Morishita@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:Morishita@ci.gladstone.or.us), call 503-557-2766 or stop by City Hall. Applications must be returned by Nov. 30, 2015.

## New Civic Buildings Ballot Measure Election Results

On November 3, 2015, Gladstone voters approved a ballot measure by a vote of 1204 (57.25%) to 899 (42.75%) to construct and incur debt to finance new civic buildings (City Hall and Police Station) each project to cost over \$1,000,000. No new taxes are associated with this authorization.

## Leaf Pick Up Reminders

The Public Works Dept. would like to remind residents that public works will not pick up leaf piles that contain limbs or other debris. Residents are asked to put their leaves in the street no earlier than one day prior to scheduled pick up and allow six inches of drainage space between leaves and the curb to avoid stormwater flooding. Also, to avoid flooding, please help clean catch basin grates whenever they become covered with leaves. Please place small piles of leaves in your yard debris container. Additional maps/tentative schedule dates are available at City Hall or on the city's website, [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us). Please note the pick up dates are tentative based on the public works department work load.

## Gladstone Fire Dept. (GFD) News

\*Greetings and HAPPY HOLIDAYS from Gladstone Fire Department. As Thanksgiving approaches, be sure to prepare for the colder weather as you gather with family and friends. Prepare your plan for power outages. Plan the safe use of candles (if necessary) and use battery operated flashlights when possible. DO NOT use barbecue or propane cooking devices (inside your home) during power outages for temporary heating or cooking. Also, be prepared for winter in your car. Pack a blanket, flashlight and emergency food. Carry traction devices and consider jumper cables. Remember, people sometimes get stuck in winter conditions in areas without cell phone reception.

\*Your firefighters are anticipating a new record of responding to about 1600 calls for assistance in 2015. All our firefighters live or work within Gladstone and feel it is an honor to serve our neighbors. If you are interested in serving as a firefighter, please contact Jeff Smith at 503-557-2774 for information on how to apply.

\*Stay warm and safe, call 9-1-1 for emergencies. For non-emergency concerns, call the fire department at 503-557-2774 or 503-557-2775.

## Gladstone Police Department (GPD) News

**Emergency Preparedness Calendars**—Free 2016 Emergency Preparedness Calendars are available in the city's water office and at the senior center. Information in the calendar includes tips on how to prepare for different types of emergencies, along with contact numbers and websites you can use throughout the year.

**Police Recruitment**—The GPD is now accepting applications from recruits and lateral officers. Details on how to apply can be found on the city's website, [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us).

**"Unprepared"**—Oregon Field Guide spent a year and a half making a special presentation titled "Unprepared" that takes an in-depth look at the status of Oregon's preparedness for a major earthquake. The link to this video, [www.opb.org/unprepared](http://www.opb.org/unprepared), is provided with the permission of OPB. Please take time to watch the presentation and give serious consideration to the steps you can start taking now in order to be ready to survive a major disaster.

**Chief's Corner**—Gladstone residents, as the Chief of Police (interim), I am honored to be part of this great community. My desire is for us to work together to ensure we continue to provide a high quality of living in Gladstone. We strive to be an involved, responsive, professional police agency. Our officers are dedicated to serving and interacting in the community. Please don't hesitate to ask questions or say "hello" when you see us. We provide information on our website & our Facebook page about the GPD and community events. I am available by phone at 503-557-2764 to answer questions or just chat. I look forward to continuing our great relationship and working together to keep Gladstone safe! Chief Jeff Jolley.

## Charter Review Advisory Committee

The City Council is accepting applications from residents to serve on the Charter Review Advisory Committee. The City's Charter has not been reviewed in over 20 years. The committee will review the current City Charter and make recommendations to City Council on revisions/updates to the Charter. With Council approval, those recommendations will be prepared for the Ballot for a vote of the people. Applications are available at City Hall or on the city's website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us). Applications must be returned to City Hall by Monday, January 4, 2016 for appointment by the City Council at their January 12, 2016 meeting.

**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 Administrator Meet & Greet

On December 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 pm at the High Rocks Restaurant meeting room, 915 E. Arlington, Gladstone residents are invited to a "Meet and Greet" as a way to introduce the prospective candidates for the City's new City Administrator position. A day long recruitment process will be held on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The process will end with Council selecting one of the 6 candidates as the City's incoming Administrator. If there are any questions on the meet and greet or the recruitment process, please contact any of your City Councilors or the Interim City Administrator at 503-557-2767. For additional information, visit the city's website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us).

## Santa and the Mack Event



The 9th annual Santa & the Mack arrives in Gladstone once again. Come out and see Santa with his one Mack sleigh during the nights of December 16th-19th from 5:30-8:30 pm. Dec. 16th—downtown Gladstone area, Dec. 17th—Gladstone High School area, Dec. 18th—River Road & Senior Center area, Dec. 19th—highlands & Sherwood Forest area. Santa stops and talks with children of ALL AGES, listens to their wishes and gives them wishes of his own! Santa and his helpers also gladly accept canned goods or toys, to be distributed to needy families in the Gladstone area. So come out and see Santa, his helpers and members of the Gladstone Fire Dept! Go to the Santa Mack Facebook page for route information and times.

## Fire Dept. Collects & Delivers

\*The holidays are coming and there are a number of local people needing holiday assistance. The Gladstone Fire Dept. (GFD) will be busy collecting and receiving food and toys to distribute to families needing Christmas assistance this year. Canned food and new unwrapped toy donation barrels are located at the Gladstone Fire Dept., Gladstone Library, Burgerville, US Bank, Crossroads Coffee Café, Latus Motors/Harley Davidson, YMCA child care center, Gladstone Card Room, Baskin-Robbins, Somerset Lodge & Assisted Living, Vogies Bar, Mr. Rooter, Gladstone Nissan, Tebo's Restaurant. Donations must be received by Dec. 15, 2015. "Many hands make light the work." The fire dept. is proud to announce that this year's holiday helpers include numerous private individuals and service groups including: Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary, Gladstone School District, Gladstone Kiwanis, Portland Sunshine Division & Gladstone Police Dept!



\*The GFD is working closely with Clackamas County's "Compassion in Action" and The Portland Sunshine Division to help meet the needs in Gladstone. To request a food basket or toys, a resident must contact their social assistance worker, food stamp or mental health provider or Compassion in Action at 503-632-0562 or visit [www.ciacc.org](http://www.ciacc.org). Applications must be received by Dec. 4th.

## Holiday Food & Toy Drives

It's that time of year again—the holidays are upon us! The Gladstone Fire Department will host their two annual food & toy drive events: 1) Clackamas Target, December 5th and 12th from 10am to 2pm and 2) "Fill the Boot" at Gladstone Burgerville on December 8th from 5-8pm. Please drop off non-perishable food items or new unwrapped toys and join us in supporting less fortunate families in our city. Thanks for your support!



## Coffee with a Councilor

Coffee with a council member assists the Council 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. Upcoming meeting dates at the Gladstone Library are: Dec. 14th, 10am and Dec. 28th, 6:30 pm. Please come and share your thoughts.

## Park & Recreation Board Meetings

Please note the Park and Recreation Board meeting night has been changed to the first Monday of each month (as needed) at 7:00 pm in the City Hall Conference Room.

## GJBA Annual Members Meeting

The Gladstone Junior Baseball Association (GJBA) will hold their annual membership meeting on Nov. 19th at 7pm at Gladstone High School. All members (parents with children participating in the program) are encouraged to attend. Voting on key positions for the Board of Directors will be conducted. Contact Jason Pugh at 503-680-9231 or [jasonpugh@gladstonejunior-baseball.com](mailto:jasonpugh@gladstonejunior-baseball.com) for additional info about the Board of Directors.

## Somerset Assisted Living Events

Somerset Assisted Living, 8360 Cason Road would like to invite resident to the following: \*Harvest Soiree' Nov. 19th from 2:30-5:00 pm. Entertainment & appetizers. Take a tour and receive a free pie! \*Holiday Bazaar—"Your One Stop Christmas Shop", crafts, gifts, jewelry, holiday treats and more. December 6th from 1-5pm. Come mingle with neighbors and enjoy free cookies and cocoa. Please call 503-723-7868 for more info.

## Upcoming TRAM Trips

\*Dec. 10th—The Grotto Festival of Lights. Start with dinner at Tebo's then travel to the Grotto to see the beautiful decorations, shop the gift shop & hear local choirs perform in the church. Leave at 5pm, return at 8:30 pm. Cost is \$15 (includes bus and admission to Grotto). \*Dec. 14th—Winter Wonderland at P.I.R. Come drive the racetrack. This spectacular light show is always a favorite. After the lights, stop for dessert or a late dinner. Leave at 6pm, return at 9pm. Cost is \$8 (includes bus and lights).

## Follow the Star

Reservations for Follow the Star for Gladstone area only at [www.ftsgladstone.com](http://www.ftsgladstone.com). Act fast, general reservations opened Nov. 1st at [www.followthestar.us](http://www.followthestar.us), where you can find additional info. The 14th Annual Follow the Star live nativity & holiday musical is Dec. 4, 5, 6 & 11, 12 & 13 at 19500 Oatfield Rd.

## City Hall Closures

Gladstone City Hall will be closed on November 26th & 27th and on December 25th and January 1st.

## Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

503-656-2411

► **Food for Fines**—During the month of December, earn \$1 off your fines for every non-perishable food item you donate.  
 ► **Star Wars Original Trilogy Tuesday**—Every Tuesday, Dec. 1st-15th at 5:30 pm. Watch the original Star Wars Trilogy, one movie every Tuesday until *The Force Awakens* comes out in theaters on Dec. 18th. Dec. 1st—*A New Hope*, Dec. 8th—*The Empire Strikes Back*, Dec. 15th—*Return of the Jedi*.  
 ► **Holiday Open House**—Dec. 10th, 4:00 pm. Come get into the holiday spirit & celebrate the season at the library! Refreshments, holiday décor, crafts, games, music.  
 ► **Photography Group**—Dec. 13th, 2:00 pm. Each meeting a new topic will be assigned to be photographed & discussed. The group will have occasional outings, shows, workshops, as well as the

opportunity to display work..  
 ► **No Rock Readers this Month**—Check back in January.  
 ► **Dr. Who Club**—Dec. 17th, 6:00 pm, Are you a fan of Dr. Who? Meet fellow fans, watch an episode, share any show related news. All ages welcome!  
 ► **Storytime on Break**—Dec. 22nd through January 7th.  
 ► **Toddler Storytime**—Tuesdays, 9:30 am. Geared towards ages 0-3 years with songs, books and play for early development. Older siblings are welcome to sing & dance.  
 ► **All Ages Storytime**—Thursdays, 9:30 am. All ages welcome to join us for books, songs, rhymes and movement activities that build literacy & language skills.  
 ► **Lab Rats**—Dec. 1st at 3:30 pm. Discover the world of science through stories & experiments.  
 ► **Lego Club**—Dec. 16th at 3:30

pm. We provide the Legos, you provide the imagination!  
 ► **Comic Book Workshop**—Dec. 2nd at 4:00 pm. Want to learn about comics and graphic novels, and the creative processes for making them? Join us at the fun teen program for writing, drawing, coloring contests. Everyone takes a free comic book home!  
 ► **Teen Video Game Night**—Dec. 3rd at 6:00 pm. A video game event for teens also including board games and refreshments.  
 ► **Teen Advisory Group (TAG)**—No TAG meeting this month. Check back in January.  
 ► **Adult Winter Reading**—Dec. 22nd-March 20th. Complete an adult winter reading bingo card to be eligible for a prize.  
 ► **Library Closures**—Dec. 25th & Jan. 1st. Open 10am to 2pm Dec. 24th & Dec. 31st.

## Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

© **Cookie Decorating**—Free cookie decorating on December 8th at 11:00 am, followed by entertainment and lunch.  
 © **Senior Holiday Lunch**—December 17th at 11:30 am. Special lunch will be served. Santa will join us for his 26th year. Entertainment by Betty Pogue on her piano, with guests singing Christmas carols. Special Christmas gift raffle. Cost is \$2.50. Call to RSVP!  
 © **New Years Eve Lunch**—December 31st at 11:30 am. Entertainment by Cash Cottrell. Cost is \$2.50.  
 © **Entertainment Books**—are now on sale for \$30.00 each. Make great holiday gifts. Proceeds benefit the Meals on Wheels Program.  
 © **Fred Meyer Rewards Program**—Sign up with the Fred Meyer Community Rewards Program. Register your card number online for the Gladstone Senior Foundation. When you shop the center will benefit from this program. For information, call Rhonda at the Center.  
 © **Thank You!**—Thank you to the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership for the \$2,500 donation made to the Senior Center Foundation! This gift to our community was in appreciation for the community's patience and support during construction and will be used to enhance the Senior Centers programs.  
 © **Volunteer Afternoon Receptionist**—Main duties include answering the phones, greeting patrons, making appointments. Call Rhonda at the center for additional information.



## Gladstone High School Grad Night Fundraiser

The Gladstone High School Senior Grad Party is having a Poinsettia fundraiser. Grown locally by Al's Garden Center, our poinsettias are beautiful and will last through the holidays. 6.5" poinsettias have one plant per pot and are 15"-17" in height with six or more blooms for \$15. Requested order, including your name, phone, quantity must be received by November 19th and available for pick up on December 5th. Payments can be mailed to GHS 2016 Celebration, 18800 Portland Ave, Gladstone, OR 97027 or orders placed by emailing [ghs2016gradparty@gmail.com](mailto:ghs2016gradparty@gmail.com).



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 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) 6:30 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 Board**—1st Monday (as needed) 7:00 pm 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, previous newsletters and Municipal Code are on our website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us)

## Library Foundation (GPLF) News

\*Rain drops and downpours didn't stop the trick or treaters from coming to the library Halloween night. We welcomed over 400 visitors. The children received books and candy! \*Holiday Open House is scheduled for December 10th from 4-8pm. Santa will be there to hand out books and candy. We've set up a table in the computer area for kids to make fun bookmarks. \*We are looking for a location for an on-going book store. If you have or know of anyone with space to lease, please call Lani at 503-260-4786. \*Volunteers are always needed for many fundraising events the foundation provides for our library's many programs. If you are interested in membership, volunteering or making a donation, please call 503-655-4248. \*We are now on Facebook! Go to the Library Foundation and press "like".



## Employment Opportunity

The City of Gladstone is accepting applications for a Senior Center Office Assistant. Application deadline is 5pm on Monday, December 21, 2015. For information and details, visit the employment page on the city's website, [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us).

## Local Meetings—

- ◆ The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, December 9th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. Questions? Contact Doug Loose at 503-595-5379 or [DougLoose46@gmail.com](mailto:DougLoose46@gmail.com).
- ◆ The Gladstone Historical Society meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm at Gladstone SDA Church, 8378 Cason Rd. For additional info. check out their website, [www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org](http://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.