



GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Reminder—TOWN HALL MEETING



A Town Hall Meeting “Moving Gladstone Forward” is scheduled for Thursday, October 22, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Avenue. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Council topics of discussion include: Library Construction status, updates on staff recruitment, working relationships with other jurisdictions, Master Plans, Project List and the future of our Parks. Please bring your questions and comments for the City Council. Please help us get the word out by telling your friends and neighbors about the meeting!

New Civic Buildings Ballot Measure

Gladstone City Council has approved a Notice of District Measure Election to be placed on the November 3, 2015 General Election. Voters will be asked for authorization to construct and incur debt to finance new civic buildings (City Hall and Police Station) each project to cost over \$1,000,000. There are no new taxes associated with this proposal. For information, please visit the city’s website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us.

Leaf Pick Up has Started



Public Works picks up leaves (and only leaves) in the street no earlier than one day prior to pick up and allow six inches of drainage space between leaves and the curb to avoid stormwater flooding. For smaller leaf piles, please place them in your yard debris container for pick up by the Gladstone Disposal Company. Also, to avoid flooding, please help clean your catch basin grates whenever they become covered with leaves.

Gladstone Fire Dept. (GFD) News

***Halloween & Open House:** On October 31st from 5-8pm, Gladstone Fire & Police invite the community to bring their super heroes, ghosts & goblins (no seasonal costume required) to stop by the Fire Station, 555 Portland Ave, for a tour and a piece of candy. Several dedicated firefighters will be on hand to welcome you! Hope to see you for a trick or treat!



***Promote Safety for Halloween:** If your trick or treaters are going door-to-door, please see that they: have adults accompany them; wear light colored clothing short enough to prevent tripping; wear see-through masks; avoid hard plastic or wooden props; add reflectors to costumes; carry a flashlight; only accept wrapped candy; stick to well lit streets and homes you know; and use the sidewalk! HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

***Test Your Smoke Alarms:** October is fire safety month so Gladstone firefighters would like to remind residents to test their smoke alarms. Proper working smoke alarms have saved thousands of lives over the years. The opposite results can be noted for homes without a working alarm. Each year countless lives are needlessly lost in homes without a working alarm. Remember smoke alarms do not last forever—typically a 10 year battery life—as long as your alarm is checked monthly. Pick out the same day each month to test your alarm—write it on your calendar through the end of the year. Have your school age child assist with the testing, take this time to discuss what they are to do when the alarm goes off. Teach them to crawl low under the smoke, get outside, stay outside, call 9-1-1 from outside and go to a pre-determined family meeting spot. These safety tips, when practiced, are priceless when an emergency occurs. For non-emergency questions, contact the fire department at 503-557-2774.

Gladstone Police Department (GPD) News

Pedestrian Safety in the Dark—When you’re out walking in the dark, please take some precautions so driver’s can see you. It’s much easier for a pedestrian to see an oncoming vehicle than it is for a driver to see a person who is on foot. This is especially true if you’re wearing dark clothing and have a hood that is covering your head. It’s smart to wear outerwear that’s lighter in color and to add something reflective, like a safety vest, over your coat. You should also have something reflective on your dogs collar in case it gets off leash and runs into the street. Please stay mindful of your surroundings and do not walk with your head down looking at your cell phone. With the “fall back” time change coming on November 1st, along with the rainy season, each little step you can take to be visible will help everyone to stay safe!

Chief’s Corner—Lots of activities go on during October as we head into fall. School is in full swing and young children are busy going back and forth. Please watch out for these pedestrians and be mindful of 20mph school zones!



Gladstone Annual School Bazaar

Gladstone Annual Christmas Bazaar, October 31st, 9am to 4pm, at the Gladstone High School cafeteria, 18800 Portland Ave. 65+ tables of Thanksgiving, Christmas, crafts, gifts, food and personal & home décor items. For info, call Teena at 503-997-7068.

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.

Thank You Gladstone Neighbors!

Construction of the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership’s pipeline and new river intake pump station in Gladstone is now complete, with final restoration and paving underway. The Partnership would like to express its immense gratitude to the City of Gladstone and residents for their patience, support and collaboration throughout construction. To say thank you and share the completed facility, the community is invited to attend a celebration at the new pump station site at 105 E. Clackamas Boulevard on Monday, Nov. 2nd from 2 – 3:30 p.m. Highlights include guest speakers, site tours and refreshments. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by Wednesday, Oct. 28th to lot-water@ci.oswego.or.us or 503-697-6502. We hope to see you there!



Cops Running Cone



On October 27th and October 31st, Gladstone Police Officers are taking over Baskin-Robbins in Gladstone to raise money for “Shop with a Cop”. From 5:00-10:00 pm residents will be served ice cream by local Gladstone police officers and the Clackamas County Sheriff. A percentage of each ice cream sale will be donated to “Shop with a Cop”, an annual charity event in which local police present local children in need with \$100 gift certificates and take each child on a shopping spree at the Clackamas Wal-Mart. This year’s “Shop with a Cop” is scheduled for Saturday, December 12, 2015. Donations to “Shop with a Cop” will also be accepted at the register. For every \$100 raised another child will be able to participate. Please come get some ice cream and support “Shop with a Cop” so we can get as many children as we can to participate in this great event!

City Board Applications

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, email Morishita@ci.gladstone.or.us, call 503-557-2766 or stop by City Hall. Applications must be returned by November 30, 2015.

Veterans Parade & Pancake Breakfast

The Kiwanis Club of Gladstone-Oak Grove proudly announce the 2nd Annual Gladstone Veteran’s Parade and Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, November 7th. The pancake breakfast is from 7am to 9am at the Gladstone Christian Church, 305 E. Dartmouth. Cost is \$7/person and is free to veterans. This will also include a coat closet and barber service for veterans only. A parade is scheduled to begin at 10am from the Gladstone Christian Church, head south on Harvard Avenue, west on E Berkeley to Portland Ave, north on Portland Ave to E Gloucester, east on E. Gloucester, south on Harvard to Max Patterson Park. The Color Guard will be presented by the American Legion Post 180 of Milwaukie. Generous support provided by the Clackamas County Volunteer Connection and Gladstone Oak Grove Rotary!



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: Nov. 9th, 10am and Nov. 23rd, 6:30 pm. Please come and share your thoughts.

Veteran's Day Program

You are invited to attend Rivergate Adventist Elementary School's annual Veteran's Day program honoring the men & women who have served or are currently serving in America's armed services. The program will include a color guard, guest speaker and student performances. The program is Wednesday, November 11th at 10am. The school is located at 1505 Rivergate School Road. If you are a veteran, please join us. If you have a family member or friend who is a veteran, please invite them to the program. Call the office, at 503-656-0544 for information.

A Night of Fun!



Come join us for a night of fun and LOTS OF CANDY at Gladstone's Christian Church's annual Trunk or Treat on Oct. 31st. Trunk or Treat is a fun and safe way to celebrate Halloween. Join us in the parking lot anytime between 5-7pm where there will be decorated cars, trucks, etc. Children can walk from vehicle to vehicle to look at decorations and receive candy and treats or play a game. This event is a safe family environment for trick-or-treaters of all ages. There will be toasty beverages available for adults as well. The church is located at 305 E. Dartmouth. For info, call 503-656-3394.

Library Foundation (GPLF) News

*Our annual Halloween Trick or Treat event will be held at the Library on October 31st from 6-8pm. We will be handing out books & candy!



*The Christmas Pet Photo event last year was such a hit, we will hold it again on Saturday, November 7th from 1-4pm at the Gladstone Fire Station, 555 Portland Ave. Dogs must be on a leash and cats in a carrier.

*Volunteers are always needed for the many fundraising events the foundation provides for our library's many programs. If you are interested in becoming a member, volunteer or would like to make a donation, please call 503-655-4248.

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Happyrock Coffee who won 2 silver medals at the Golden Bean North America Coffee Roasters Competition! Over 400 coffee roasters entered this competition.

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Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

► Day of the Dead Zombie Walk



Nov. 1st at 3:00 pm. Join the shuffling corpses and invade downtown Gladstone on the Day of the Dead! This is an all ages event. Professional make up application, limited make up supplies & fake blood provided, so wear as much of your completed costume as possible. After the walk, join us at the library for pizza and an after-hours zombie movie!

► Oregon Author, Maggie Stuckey

Nov. 3rd, 6:00 pm. Maggie Stuckey grows vegetables & cooks up a storm in her Portland home. The author of *Soup Night* and *The Bountiful Container* as well as seven other books on gardening & horticulture, is happiest when tending her vegetable garden and using the outcome to build community & create new soups.

► **Photography Group**—Nov. 8th, 2:00 pm. New topic assigned to be photographed and discussed each month. Occasional outings, group

shows, workshops & opportunity to display work.

► **Book Art Workshop**—Nov. 16th, 6:00 pm. Back by popular demand: recycle unused books into cool works of art. Make unique gifts for the holiday season. All materials supplied by the library.

► **Rock Readers Book Club**—Nov. 7th, 6:30 pm. This month the club will discuss *A Burial at Sea* by Charles Finch. Books can be checked out at the Info. desk.

► **Creating Habits of Health**—Wednesdays at 6:45 pm beginning Nov. 18th. A 6-week free workshop series to help you learn the 5 Habits of Health to achieve a healthy weight and vibrant life! Make a commitment to keep your mind and body healthy!

► **Dr. Who Club**—Nov. 19th at 6:00 pm. Are you a fan of Dr. Who? Meet fellow fans, watch an episode and share show related news. All ages welcome!

► **All Ages Storytime**—Thursdays at 9:30 am (except Nov. 26th). All

ages welcome to join us for books, songs, rhymes & movement activities that build literacy & language skills.

► **Toddler Storytime**—(ages 0-3 years) Tuesdays at 9:30 am (except Nov. 24th). Songs, books, and play for early development. Older siblings welcome to sing & dance!

► **Lego Club**—Nov. 18th, 3:30 pm. We provide the legos, you provide the imagination!

► **Lab Rats**—Nov. 3rd, 3:30 pm. Discover the world of science through stories & experiments.

► **Book Buddies**—Nov. 10th, 3:30 pm. This month we're reading *Cam Jansen & the Spaghetti Max Mystery* by David Adler.

► **Teen Video Game Night**—Nov. 5th, 6:00 pm. A video game event for teens, also including board games and refreshments!

► **Teen Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting**—No TAG meeting this month. Check back in December.

► **Library Closed**—Nov. 11th & Nov. 26th.

Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

© **Clackamas County Tax Assessment**—will hold a Town Hall meeting on October 27th from 2:00-3:30 pm to discuss current property values, veteran's exemptions, senior citizens tax deferrals, new money measures effecting taxes and property value appeal procedures. Call the center for additional information.

© **Halloween Senior Lunch**—October 28th at 11:30 am. Dress up and win a prize! Music starts at 11:30 am with Art Goodman. Cost is \$2.50. Call by October 27th to sign up!

© **AARP Safe Driving Class**—on Saturday, November 14th from 9am to 4:30 pm. Call the center to register. Cost is \$15 with AARP card, or \$20 without card. Insurance discount certificate may be available.

© **United Health Care**—representatives will be available on November 9th & 23rd from 3:00-5:00 pm. To answer questions or to talk about Medicare coverage that is offered.

© **Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon**—November 19th. Traditional turkey with all the fixings! Entertainment starts at 11:30 am. Costs is \$3.50. Call the center by November 13th to reserve your spot.

Workshop Series—Naturescaping with Native Oak

Beginning spring 2016, The Intertwine Alliance Oak-Prairie Work Group will feature a workshop series taught by oak/prairie landscaping specialist Mark Griswold Wilson for urban residential landowners to learn about and implement "naturescaping" with native oak. Class size is limited. Workshops are free and may be an opportunity for cost-shared plant materials, depending on design and need. To register or for more information, contact Ted Labbe at 503-758-9562 or email ted.labbe@gmail.com.

► **Follow the Star**—Early reservations for Follow the Star for Gladstone area only at www.ftsgladstone.com. Act fast, general reservations open Nov. 1st at 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.

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Library—135 E. Dartmouth St.

LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS:

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| City Hall General Business Line | 503-656-5225 |
| Utility Billing/Water & Sewer Account Information | 503-557-2771 |
| (Water/Sewer Emergencies after 4:30 pm) | 503-655-8211 |
| Municipal Court/Traffic Citations | 503-557-2772 |
| Public Works/City Shops/Maintenance | 503-656-7957 |
| Police Department, M-F, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm | 503-557-2797 |
| Fire Department, M-F, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm | 503-557-2776 |
| Police and Fire, After Hours | 503-655-8211 |
| Library | 503-656-2411 |
| Senior Center | 503-655-7701 |
| Recreation/Business License/Planning | 503-557-2769 |
| Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance | 503-479-6859 |
| Gladstone Disposal | 503-656-9426 |
| Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV) | 503-299-9999 |
| Gladstone School District | 503-655-2777 |

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

Rental Property Owners—Business License Required

In January 2014, the City Council approved code language that expanded the definition of "business" activity to include property owners who rent out their property. Rental property owners are now required to obtain an annual city business license. The business license application may be downloaded from the city's website at <http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/business-licenses/>.

Family Emergency Preparedness

If a natural disaster struck in Oregon, would your family be prepared? Earthquakes, floods, wildfires, even tsunamis all have the potential to cause widespread destruction here. For help on how you can prepare in the event of an emergency, visit <http://www.oregon.gov/dogami/pages/emergencykit.aspx> or www.clackamasfire.com/disasterprep.html.

► **Harvest Carnival**—On October 31st, from 6-8pm, Tri-City Baptist Temple McCormick Family Center, 18025 Webster Rd, will host their annual Harvest Carnival. Admission is 2 cans of food per child (ages 2-5th grade). For information, contact Karen Burr at 503-655-9326, ext. 119 or childrensministry@tcibt.org.

Local Meetings—

◆ The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, November 11th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Two Girls Catering, 125 E Dartmouth. Hosted by Pam McClung. Questions? Contact Doug Loose at 503-595-5379 or

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. 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.