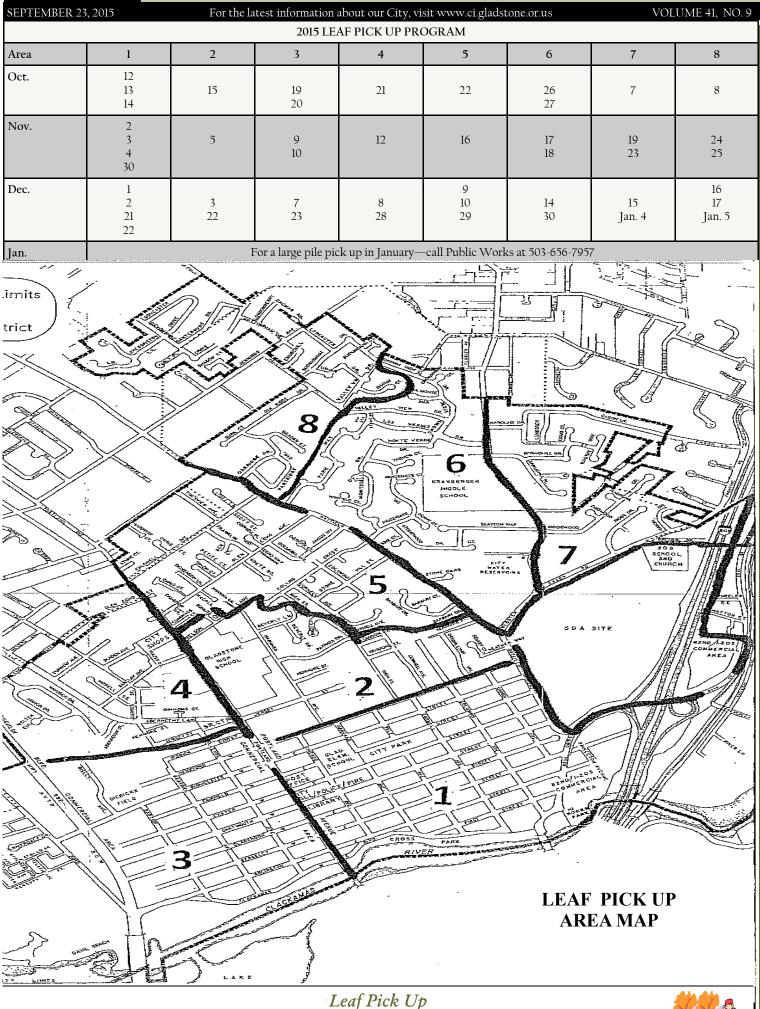


GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER



Public Works will pick up leaves (and only leaves) beginning in October. Above is a map and schedule showing eight numbered areas and dates when city crews are expected to pick up leaves in your neighborhood. Please remember, these dates may change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. To reduce flooding, please put leaves in the street no sooner than one day prior to the first pick up day scheduled for your area and allow six inches of drainage space between leaves and the curb. For smaller leaf piles, please place them in your yard debris container for pick up by the Gladstone Disposal Company. Because catch basin grates may get clogged with leaves before city crews arrive, Public Works asks for your help in cleaning off catch basin grates whenever they become covered with leaves.



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Town Hall Meeting



A Town Hall meeting has been scheduled for October 22, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Avenue. Council topics of discus-

sion include: New City Administrator Recruitment, Master Plans, Library Construction Status and the future of our Parks. Please bring your questions. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. For additional information, visit the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us.



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! <u>Upcoming meeting</u> <u>dates are October 12th, 10-11am at Gladstone</u> <u>City Hall and October 26th, 6:30-7:30 pm at</u> <u>the Gladstone Library. Please come and share</u> <u>your thoughts.</u>

Upcoming TRAM Trips

*<u>October 2</u>—Oregon Historical Society & Lunch at Culinary Institute. Featured exhibit "World War II, a State Transformed". Lunch first at Culinary Institute. Leave at 11am, return at 4pm. Cost: \$30 (includes lunch, bus & museum).



*<u>October 12th</u>—Spirit Mountain Motor Coach Casino Trip. Leave the center at 8:15 am, leave casino at 3:30 pm. Cost is \$5/person (non -refundable) and must be a Coyote Club Member. Fundraiser for the Senior Center Meals on Wheels Program. *<u>October 16th</u>—Astoria

Maritime Museum. Learn about early & present maritime history. Lunch in Astoria. Leave at 8:30am, return at 5pm. Cost: \$35 (includes bus & admission). *<u>October 23rd</u>—Oregon Zoo. The Oregon Zoo has expanded into a world class facility with many exhibits. Leave at 9am, return at 3pm. Cost: \$17 (includes bus & admission). Call 503-655-7701 for complete details or to sign up. TRAM Trip Policy—You may sign up for three trips each month & be put on wait list for additional trips. All trips must be pre-paid seven days prior to trip date. Three day cancellation notice is required for credit. Space is limited to 12 -13 passengers.

Tri-City Baptist Temple Events

*AWANA is starting at Tri-City Baptist Temple (TCBT), 18025 Webster Rd. Every Wednesday night from 6:30-8pm. All children ages 4 through 5th grade are welcome and the cost is \$25/child.

*TCBT Life Groups have began. They are studying "Crazy Love" by Frances Chan. Meeting throughout the week in different homes in the area. All are welcome to join.

*Teens ages 6th-12th grade, YOU are invited to come to our 1st ever Black-Out night at TCBT McCormick Family Center on Oct. 24th. Cost is \$5/person and goes from 6-10:30 pm.

*TCBT's annual HARVEST CARNIVAL, is Oct. 31st from 5-7pm. Ages 3 through 5th grade and the cost is 2 cans of food per child. The food helps to feed families in the community for the holidays. See you there!

For info on any above events, call the office at 503-655-9326 or visit www.tcbt.org.

Public Meeting—Mitigation Project

The City Council, at their October 13, 2015 meeting beginning at 6:30 pm, will hold a public meeting to discuss the Dahl Beach Bulkhead Mitigation Project at Meldrum Bar.

Family History Conference

Milwaukie State Family History Conference, "Forget Me Not" is scheduled for Saturday, November 14, 2015 from 9am to 5:15pm at the LDS Church, 8331 Cason Road. There will be 24 classes throughout the day. No cost to attend. Walk ins welcome. Free lunch is provided. Pre-registration at: http://milwaukiefamilyhistoryconference.blogspot.com continues throughNovember 12th.

Planning & Permits

The City contracts with Clackamas County for administration of the City's land use planning and building permits, including plumbing, electrical, grading, etc. For information, visit the county's website at www.clackamas.us/building.

Street Light Out

Contact Portland General Electric (PGE) at 1-800-544-1795 (press "3") or email information, including address of streetlight outage, nearest cross street, pole and map number (on pole), if available, to lightout@pgn.com.

Drop off Unwanted Prescriptions @ Gladstone Police Dept. (GPD)

Flushing drugs down the toilet or putting them into the garbage have damaging effects on our environment and can contaminate our surface and groundwater supplies. Both drinking water and wastewater treatment plants are not designed to treat these kinds of chemicals. Unused or expired prescription medications are also a public safety threat, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose and



abuse. Drop off your old or unwanted prescriptions at the Gladstone Police Department Lobby—MED RETURN receptacle. The green and blue "Med-Return" receptacle has easy to follow directions, does not require any paperwork, and there is no fee! Just make sure you are dropping only the items listed on the receptacle during regular business hours, 8am to 5pm, Monday-Friday, except for holidays.

What to Recycle at Home & Work



<u>YES, Please</u>: Mixed Paper, Cardboard & Cartons: junk mail, office paper, newspapers, magazines, phone books, cereal and cracker style boxes, milk, juice and soup cartons (rinse & drain). Plastic Bottles, Tubs & Buckets: clean bottles and tubs, 6 oz. and larger, plastic buckets 5 gallons or smaller, rigid nursery pots 4" across & larger. Metal Cans, Foil & Scrap Metal: clean cans, foil, pie plates & trays; empty spray cans, scrap metal up to 30 lbs and no longer than 30".

NO, thank you: Frozen food boxes, coffee cups, pizza boxes, pet food bags, pa-

per towels, paper plates, napkins & tissue: these contain wet strength, an additive, which means these items won't break down in the paper making process. Plastic Bags & Film: these items jam the machinery during the recycling sorting process, causing worker injury and additional labor costs. To-Go Boxes, Cups, Plates, Clamshells & Styrofoam: these plastics have limited or no demand by manufacturers.

<u>On the Side</u>: Glass Bottles & Jars: clean glass bottles and jars go in SEPARATE recycling container. Motor Oil: recycle motor oil in marked, unbreakable container, not larger than two gallons, with a screw-top lid.

Wipes in Sewer System

Wipes can 'wipe out' costly sewer systems -Wet wipes, baby wipes, cleansing wipes, disinfecting wipes, surface wipes, hand wipes, antibacterial wipes, bathroom wipes or disposable moist towelettes. Whatever you call them, no matter what the packaging says, DO NOT FLUSH! The packaging might say they're flushable, but wipes, no matter the cleaning purpose, are causing expensive problems for sewer operators all over the world and should be disposed of in a waste receptacle and sent to a landfill to decompose. Residents are reminded that Chapter 13.12.070(3) of the Gladstone Municipal Code states: "The customer shall be responsible for the maintenance of the private sewer line from the public sewer connection to the premises served. The City shall not be liable for any damage accruing from the failure of a private sewer or of fixture of appurtenances attached thereto."

Utility Bill Drop Box

Did you know you can drop off your monthly utility bills, including: PGE, NW Natural, Gladstone Water/Sewer and Gladstone Disposal, at the Senior Center? No stamps needed! The drop box is conveniently located inside the main entry door.

Signs

Local elections take place on November 3rd. Before posting political signs, here are some helpful reminders: *no application or fees are required to post a sign on your own private property; *No sign shall extend into the public right-of-way; *No sign shall be attached to a tree or utility pole. For sign details, see Chapter 17.52 of the Municipal Code at www.ci.gladstone.or.us. "Wild West" Fall Carnival

October 28th, 6-8pm at Gladstone First Baptist Church, 6125 Caldwell Rd. FREE fun for the whole family! Safe & dry inside. Free "fixins" to eat.



Lots of games & candy for the Little Cowpokes and even some fun for the grown ups too! Wear a western outfit, or any non-scary costume! For information, call Michelle at 503-654-7728.

Winterize Irrigation System



Fall is the time to start thinking about winterizing your irrigation system to protect your valuable investment before the first

frost. Extended periods of freezing temperatures can cause considerable damage to underground irrigation systems. Expansion of frozen water will crack water lines and damage internal gearing in the sprinkler head. Initiating an annual winterization program is a positive step toward preventative maintenance care and will save you from problems next spring. You may hire a local landscape/irrigation specialist to perform the winterization procedure. This is also a good time to have your backflow device tested if not already done as required. For information on winter water conservation tips and how to use outdoor water wisely, call 503-723-3511 or visit www.clackamas providers.org.

City Board Vacancies



There is one vacancy on the Park and Recreation Board, term to expire 12-31-16. The City Council will consider requests for appointment to the Park and Recreation Board at their meeting on November 10th. To obtain an application or information, stop by City Hall or visit the city's website at

www.ci.gladstone.or.us. Applications must be returned to City Hall by 5pm on Monday, November 2nd.

Check Payment for City Bills/Fees

Due to recent changes at financial institutions, the City is requesting when residents issue checks to pay for their utility (water/sewer) bills, library fines, senior center rental fees, police or fire reports, vehicle releases, business licenses, fowl permits, etc. checks be made payable to "City of Gladstone." Thank you.



Gladstone Fire Dept. (GFD) Updates

*Flashing Lights Mean STOP: Cars continue to drive in front of and behind the fire engine as it backs into the fire station. Please DO NOT DRIVE AROUND a fire engine when emergency lights are



flashing at any time. Firefighters are around the engines to direct traffic-safely-and are very aware that you want to drive on as quickly as possible. It takes approximately 45 seconds for engines to back into the station. Gladstone Police will begin citing violators when unsafe actions are witnessed. Thank you!

*Visible Address: The firefighters in Gladstone have responded to over 1160 calls for help so far in 2015. Statistics indicate the GFD will reach over 1600 calls for assistance this year. Of all the houses, apartments and businesses in town, about 15-20% do not have clearly identifiable addresses posted. Please be sure your house numbers are lighted on a contrasting background and are at least 4 inches (4") high. Six inch (6") numbers are substantially more visible. Please do your part to make your house easy to find in the event of an emergency! For additional information, contact Mike Funk, Fire Marshal, at 503-557-2775.

Gladstone Police Department (GPD) Updates



the September City Council meeting. Welcome!

*Fall Safety Tips: As the seasons begin to change and daylight hours to be certain it's safe to cross! get shorter, it's time to think about fall and winter safety. Rain and *Clackamas County Emergency Notification System (CCENS): Did fog can obscure vision, especially while driving, so be sure to turn on you know the 9-1-1 system can call you to share emergency alert inyour headlights, slow down (especially in residential and school areas) formation? To learn about the CCENS, go to the Clackamas County and increase the distance between you and the vehicle ahead of you Emergency Management website at www.clackamas.us/911. There is in case you need additional stopping distance. Check your windshield a section that describes the emergency notification system and it inwipers and replace them as needed. If you're out jogging or walking cludes a "FAQ" section to answer your questions and instructions on the dog, wear bright colors so others can see you. Florescent col- how to sign up to receive alerts on your phone.

*Welcome to our New Police Officer: Please join us in ors are always a good choice and many coats, gloves, hats and athletic welcoming Carl Bell, Gladstone's newest Police Officer. shoes come with reflective strips on them. Running flashers are inex-He comes to us with 15 years of police service that pensive and a good way to increase your visibility to others. Be sure includes 14 years in Pullman, WA and was sworn in at to cross streets at designated areas and use sidewalks whenever possible. When crossing the street, check both ways and then check again



Hanging Tree Branches

Public Works is asking residents to trim low hanging tree branches that may damage vehicles or injure pedestrians by cutting branches seven feet (7') above sidewalks and fourteen feet (14') above streets. Please cut up your branches and place them in your yard debris cart. If Public Works determines there is a risk of damage or injury, they may cut your tree branches without

notice. Also, during winter months, please remove portable basketball hoops from city streets to reduce interference with street sweeping.

Wildland Fires Update

All Gladstone crews and equipment are back and safe. Equipment is cleaned and ready to serve the State again if called upon. Gladstone Fire has responded twice this year to Conflagrations, near Canyonville and John Day, Oregon. Firefighters report huge successes while they were there protecting homes. They also reported unbelievable devas-



tation in the hours before the strike team arrived to provide protection. Experts are reporting a severe fire threat to state lands is expected through October. A few September rain sprinkles do not reverse months of drought conditions! At home here in Gladstone, residents are reminded to use extreme caution with any small recreational fires. While it may be legal to burn a small recreational fire, it does not mean it is a wise idea to do so for another month. If you insist on burning, remember you are only allowed to burn clean seasoned fire wood. At no time are you ever allowed to burn: grass, trees, weeds, garbage, yard debris, plastics, any painted materials, and construction debris. Keep the fire small, 10 feet from the house, watch tree overhang, control flying embers and have your garden hose near your fire pit. For burning questions inside Gladstone, call the Fire Marshal at 503-557-2775.

Sidewalks and Clear Vision

A couple of residents recently expressed concern about sidewalks and clear vision. The Gladstone Municipal Code states that property owners are responsible for maintaining sidewalks abutting their property and are liable to any person suffering injury due to a defective sidewalk. The City's general standard for sidewalk maintenance states "not to exceed 1/2" vertical lift." This is similar to property owners being responsible for maintaining landscaping for clear vision of motorists at street intersections. Both the property owner and the City can be held liable for accidents when they are notified but fail to remove clear vision obstructions. Please check the condition of sidewalks along your property and check for adequate clear vision if your property is located at a street intersection.

Street Parking Regulations

We are approaching the time of year when owners of boats, trailers, and RVs are preparing them for winter storage. Gladstone Code Enforcement would like to remind its citizens that there are city ordinances regulating onstreet parking, and these ordinances are very



specific as to the type of vehicles that can be parked on city streets. Chapter 10.04.230 of the Gladstone Municipal Code (available online on the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us) describes parking issues. Please be mindful of your neighbors and use alternative parking, such as RV pads or local RV storage facilities, etc. By following these guidelines we can all enhance our city services, improve public safety and help make our neighborhoods more "neighbor friendly" for the citizens of Gladstone.

Nuisances

Similar to most cities, Gladstone administers a "nuisance code" that essentially prohibits conditions that may affect public health or safety. For example, unsanitary and unsafe conditions such as accumulations of debris or rubbish, storage of junk, obstructing clear vision at intersections is prohibited by the nuisance code. A public nuisance may also be caused by any fence, dam or other obstruction of any kind in a natural water course that could back up water and significantly affect other property or improved public street. For questions about nuisances, contact code enforcement at 503-479-6859 or boyle@ci.gladstone.or.us

"Fall Into Art" Show & Sale

The North Clackamas Arts Guild invites you to "Fall into Art" Show & Sale. Sale starts on October 17th at 3pm and runs through October 18th at Liz's Creative Café, 9401 SE 32nd, Milwaukie. Participate in the "Peoples Choice" award by voting for your favorite artwork. Please join us to indulge in wonderful food, atmosphere and inspiring fine art. For info, visit www.ncartsguild.com.

Audit Reports

The past five years of audit reports for the City of Gladstone & Gladstone Urban Renewal Agency are posted on the city's website.

Gladstone Annual School Bazaar

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 31st, (yes that is Halloween!) to attend the annual Gladstone Christmas Bazaar at the Gladstone High



School cafeteria, 18800 Portland Ave. The cafeteria will be buzzing with excitement with 65+ tables. The sale hours are 9am to 4pm. The Boy Scouts will be serving beverages, lunch and treats. The school is handicap accessible. Both new and returning vendors will provide a variety of items at reasonable prices, including: Thanksgiving, Christmas, gift, food, personal and home décor items. Emphasis will be on hand-made articles of wood, ceramic, fabric, jewelry, soap, paper and more. Popular sale items include handpainted ornaments, painted wood, decorations, floral and the ever-present snowmen! Jump start your holiday shopping and support local crafters! For info, call Teena Reed at 503-997-7068. Please help support the school and Boy Scouts. Proceeds benefit the At-Risk High School Kids program.

Graffiti on Fences

Residents are reminded to check street side fences for unwanted graffiti. You may not be able to see your street side fence line, but school bus children can. Please remove unwanted graffiti as soon as it is discovered!

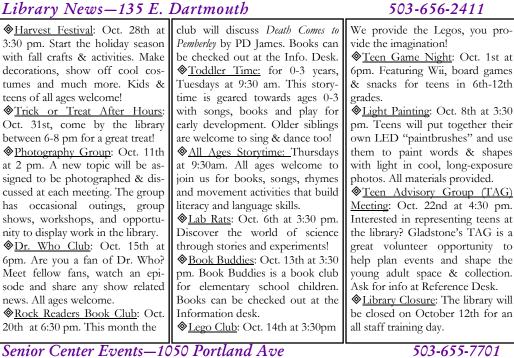
Meals on Wheels Fundraiser

Gladstone Family Dentistry (GFD), 1105 Portland Ave, is proud to announce a special partnership with Gladstone Meals on Wheels. GFD will donate the proceeds from every



new patient they see in the month of September to the Gladstone Senior Foundation. Each new patient's first appointment, cleaning and check up costs just \$19.95! This makes a positive impact on the lives of senior citizens in Gladstone. Learn more at http:// gladstonefamilydentistry.com/new-patientspecial/ or call 503-450-0123 for additional information.

CITY OF GLADSTONE **525 PORTLAND AVENUE GLADSTONE, OR 97027**



Senior Center Events–1050 Portland Ave

OSay "Goodbye to Summer" Barbecue—September 30th at 11:30 am. Come join us for great entertainment by "Kim & Terry" with a western theme. Call to RSVP. Sponsored by SC Foundation. <u>©Flu Shot Clinic</u>—with Walgreens on October 7th from 10am to 12pm at the Center. Free blood pressure check and prescription consultations available. Bring Medicare or Health Card for billing. Sing A Long—on Thursdays at 11:30 am with pianist Betty Pough. Come join us and sing your favorite old time songs. Music has a way of making you feel better and is fun to do together even if you don't sound like an opera star! Come and try it and stay for lunch, then pinochle. <u>©Free Dental Van</u>—Northwest Medical Teams Dental Van will be available in October. Time & day to be announced. Call the Center for an appointment. The dentist is available for extractions and

urgent dental needs. This service is FREE through a grant from Clackamas Co. Senior Centers. @Medicare 101 Presentation—October 27th from 10:30-11:30 am. This is the FREE Medicare session you do not want to miss! SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) Counselors will provide thorough extensive training on Medicare and all the recent changes. They will be available to answer questions after the presentation. Participants will have the opportunity to sign up for a onehour personalized appointment with a certified SHIBA Counselor volunteer. The enrollment workshop for individual counseling sessions will be held after the presentation from 11:30am-1:30pm.

©Medicare Enrollment Workshop—October 27th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. If you are preparing to enroll in Medicare for the first time, or are wondering if you have chosen the best plan for your needs, call and make an appointment. This is an outstanding opportunity that provides a

Medicare Checkup to ensure you are fully utilizing this important medical and drug program. Call SHIBA at 503-655-8269 to schedule your appointment today. <u>◎Halloween Senior Lunch</u>—Save the Date! Special Halloween Senior Lunch, October 28th. Dress up and win a prize! Music starts at 11:30 am with Art Goodman.

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©Special Thanks—to the LDS Church volunteers who did yard work at the Center on September 12th. They did trimming, weeding & spread bark dust—it looks fantastic! THANK YOU!



POSTAL CUSTOMER



Gladstone Community School

Sign up now! Classes starting now include Rental Management, Fair Housing, Computers, Line Dance, CPR, Spanish, Aerobics, Tai Chi, Yoga, Zumba, Watercolor and more! Kids classes include: Ballet, Cheer, Tumbling, Skyhawks, Tae-Kwando and Aikido. Register for Gladstone Community School classes online at www.gladstone. k12.or.us and click on the box that says "Learning for Life Community Education" for the quickest way to register.



View all classes in the Fall brochure using one of the links on that page too. You can also register for classes by mail, in person or by phone. Call 503-650-2750 for more information.

Skyler Losson Fundraiser—Help Skyler Get His Service/Alert Dog

Skyler Losson has been diagnosed with autism and epilepsy. It has been recommended that Skyler get a service/alert dog to be with him at all times. The family needs assistance in raising funds for the dog. Donations may be made at US Bank-Skyler Losson Service Dog or at www.youcaring.com/rebeccalosson.

Local Meetings—

♦ The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, October 14th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Latus Motors, 870 E Berkeley. Questions? Contact Doug Loose at 503-595-5379 or DougLoose46@gmail.com.

The Gladstone Historical Society needed. meets the second Wednesday of The Gladstone Youth Coalition each month at 6:30 pm at the Glad- holds meetings the 3rd Thursday of stone Park SDA Church, 8378 each month from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at Cason Rd. Check out their website, the Gladstone Center for Children www.gladstonehistorialsociety.org. & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. for additional information. Guests The community and parents are always welcome! Old photos of the encouraged to attend. community and new ideas are

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

CITY MEETINGS:

*<u>City Council</u>—2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) -6:30 pm—in the City Hall Council Chambers *<u>Planning Commission</u>—3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm In City Hall Council Chambers

*Library Board</u>—1st Tuesday—6:30 pm—City Hall Conference Rnnm

*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 *<u>Senior Center Advisory</u>—held quarterly—3rd Tuesday— 3:30 pm—Gladstone Senior Center

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

