



# GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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## Easter Egg Hunt



The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday, April 19th beginning precisely at 11:00 am at the Gladstone High School. Children of Gladstone residents between the ages of 1 and 11 are invited to hunt for over 4,000 eggs "hidden" on the high school grounds. The hunt begins once the fire siren sounds, and parents are asked to let their children "find" their own eggs. Some eggs contain coupons for special prizes that can be redeemed at the prize booth or location specified on coupon. If your child does not "find" any eggs, go to the prize booth and an organizer will ensure your child leaves with candy or a prize. Anyone interested in volunteering or donating to the event are asked to call 503-557-2769 or email [bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us).

## Water Leaks

It is possible to detect leaks in your home on your own. Most water leaks can be seen or heard, though some can be difficult to detect. Here are steps to check if you may have a leak: 1) Turn off all water sources being used in the house or any water features in your yard. Locate the water meter on your property (usually located between street and sidewalk). 2) Remove the meter box lid and read/write down all the numbers located on the meter. 3) Wait 30 minutes to an hour, then re-read your meter. If you have all the water off in the house/yard and the meter numbers have changed, a leak is present somewhere on the property side of the meter. If you have a bad leak it can be seen pretty fast. If it is smaller leak, like a small leak in the toilet, it may take more time to see it in the meter. Finding the Leak: Isolate the line that runs from the house to the street. Follow these steps: Turn off the water **at the house** (not at the meter), if numbers continue to increase, there is a leak in the service line from the house to the meter. If the numbers do not continue to increase, there is a leak in the house. Check your house for leaking toilets (toilet flapper not tightly fitted), faucets dripping, look under sinks/fixtures, crawl spaces, outside faucets or hose connections. Some people fix their own leak, while others hire a professional, such as leak detection companies or plumbers. For emergency water turn off, M-F, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, a \$25 fee will be added to account, or after 4:30 pm a \$175 fee will be added to account.

## Valley View Drive Dog Park

At its meeting on April 8, 2014, Gladstone City Council decided to put on hold the application to rezone the lot adjacent to Nick Shannon Park and amend the comprehensive plan. The rezoning application requested a change from residential to open space. The open space zoning would allow a dog park to be placed on the property. The Park and Recreation Board will be asked to consider alternate locations for a dog park.



## Gladstone Police Dept. Approved for State Accreditation



Following a two day on-site inspection by the Oregon Accreditation Alliance, your police department has been approved for state accreditation. This means the Gladstone Police Dept. (GPD) has met the 102 standards of best practices for police departments in the state of Oregon. GPD is the 35th police department in Oregon to become accredited, out of a total of 162 police departments statewide. This distinction is revisited every three years to become re-accredited—showing GPD is maintaining it's high standard of professionalism.

## Gladstone Cleanup and Enhancement Day

Gladstone's 10th Annual Take Pride in Gladstone Cleanup and Enhancement Day is scheduled for April 26th from 9am to 1pm. Volunteers are needed and should meet at 9am at City Hall, 525 Portland Ave. All tools and supplies are provided. Participants should bring gloves. Stocker Park, Arlington and Portland Ave and areas along McLoughlin Blvd will be targeted for the cleanup and planting of new trees and drought tolerant groundcovers. This event is hosted by Earth Crusaders and their youth training program and will focus on Gladstone's Gateways. A pizza feed will follow at 1pm for all participating volunteers. Registration is required by calling Jerry Herrmann, Earth Crusaders, at 503-260-3432.

## National Night Out (NNO) Against Crime

Please join Gladstone residents for this fun event on the evening of Tuesday, August 5th, when neighbors get together to connect with one another in the spirit of keeping neighborhoods safe. Last year there were 15 Gladstone neighborhoods involved. Some neighborhoods have barbecues or potlucks, some have desserts or root beer floats—you can plan your festivities with your neighbors however you like. You will be visited by members of the police & fire depts., and some city officials too, to talk about public safety. To register your neighborhood for NNO (there is no cost), please call or email Jim Pryde at 503-557-2798 or [pryde@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:pryde@ci.gladstone.or.us). If you'd like to know more, please come to a NNO committee meeting on June 10th and/or July 8th at 6:15 pm in the Conference Room at City Hall.

**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.

## Max Patterson Pancake Breakfast



The 23rd annual Max Patterson Pancake Breakfast, sponsored by the Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary, will be Saturday, April 19th from 8:00-11:00 am in the Gladstone High School cafeteria. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$4 for children and seniors or \$15 for a family of four.

## Bicycle Rodeo—Calling All Kids



Summer is just around the corner and it's time to get out those bikes and polish up your skills. Come to the annual Bicycle Rodeo, sponsored by the Gladstone Police Dept. and Gladstone/Oak Grove Kiwanis on Saturday, May 17th from 11am to 1pm in the parking lot of the Gladstone Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. Kiwanis will be on hand to issue free bicycle helmets to young children who participate in the rodeo. School Resource Officer, Eric Graves, will be setting up the safe, but challenging, course to teach children about bicycle safety. Hope to see you there!

## Living with Beavers Presentation

The North Clackamas Urban Watersheds Council and the Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife is sponsoring "Living with Beavers Presentation" featuring local experts, Susan Barnes and Dave Stewart on May 21, 2014 from 7-8:30 pm at Milwaukie Center, 5445 SE Kellogg Creek Dr, Milwaukie, OR 97222. This is a family friendly event. For more information, call 503-550-9282 or visit [www.ncuwc.org](http://www.ncuwc.org).

## Curbside Drug Take Back Day

Prescription drug abuse is a growing trend especially with the youth of the state. Flushing your prescription drugs can also be harmful to the environment and wildlife. If you have prescription drugs that you need to get rid of please bring them down to the Gladstone Police Department on April 26, 2014 and let us dispose of them properly. This is a no-questions asked prescription drug take back that will be held from 10am-2pm. Pet medications will also be accepted. Prescription drugs & pet medications will be collected curb side for your convenience.



## Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

The Gladstone-Oak Grove Kiwanis is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Saturday, May 3rd from 5:00-8:00 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Ave. Dinner includes: spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & dessert. Cost is \$7 per person or \$25 for family. Children under 6 years of age free. Proceeds benefit the Gladstone High School scholarships and Key Club! Music & Entertainment provided. For info, contact Tom Hogan at 503-819-8367 or visit [www.gladoak.org](http://www.gladoak.org).

## Upcoming Fundraisers

\***Toy Drive/Scoop Fest:** The Gladstone Fire Department will extinguish the hot, burning desire for ice cream by serving \$1 scoops at the 2nd Annual Toy Drive/Scoop Fest on April 22nd, 23rd & 24th at Gladstone Baskin Robbins, 19510 McLoughlin Blvd.

\***Cakes for Kids:** Baskin Robbins aims to raise \$15,000 for Doernbecher Children's Hospital, which will be matched by Alpenrose Dairy. \$6 from each \$30 cake will be donated between the dates of April 1st-May 31st.

## 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 info, visit the county's website at [www.clackamas.us/jsp/permits.jsp](http://www.clackamas.us/jsp/permits.jsp).

## Job Announcements

The City of Gladstone is taking applications for: \*Temporary Seasonal Employees—Field Maintenance and Public Works. Application deadline is 5:00 pm on Monday, April 28, 2014; \*Library Aide (15 hours) and On-Call Library Aides. Application deadline is 5:00 pm on Friday, May 2, 2014. Go to [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us) for more information.

## Kindergarten Round-Up

Calling all kindergarteners! If you have a child who will be five years old on or before Sept. 1st, it is time to register for kindergarten. Kindergarten round-up is May 6th from 5:30-7:00 pm and again on May 8th from 9:00-11:00 am at the Center for Children & Families, 18905 Portland Ave. You only need to attend one of these times. Questions, call Heidi Smith, 503-496-3939.

## Jr. Baseball Bottle Drive

Gladstone Jr. Baseball needs your help by participating in their annual Can & Bottle Drive. Please consider donating any cans & bottles by placing them outside your home on Saturday, April 19th (before 10am). Your assistance helps the Association keep registration fees to a minimum and helps fund scholarships for deserving participants. For info. call Pres. Jason Pugh at 503-680-9231. Thank you for your support!

## Follow the Lamb

Attend the 4th annual *Follow the Lamb* Easter celebration featuring two original dramatic productions, "A World Turned Upside Down" at 7pm on April 18th and "The Weight of Evidence" at 9am & 4pm on April 20th at the Holden Event Center, 19500 Oatfield Rd. For free required tickets or info, call 503-655-2614 or visit [www.followthelamb.us](http://www.followthelamb.us). Brought to you by the producers of *Follow the Star*.

## Free Community Concert

The Chautauqua Community Chorus invites residents to a free Spring Concert on May 3rd at 7 pm and May 4th at 3 pm at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 290 W Gloucester. For information, visit [www.sslcgladstone.org](http://www.sslcgladstone.org) or call 503-656-8194.

## "New to You" Event

On Saturday, April 26th from 8am to 2pm, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints are hosting their annual, "New to You" event at their LDS Meetinghouse, 8331 Cason Rd, Gladstone. A wide range of gently used & serviceable items will be available to the community at no charge, including clothing, shoes, tools, toys, games, books, kitchenware & household items. The public is invited to select donated items that will bless them and their family "without money or price!" Donations may be dropped off on April 25th from 8am to 8pm.

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### LOCAL PHONE NUMBERS:

City Hall General Business Line	503-656-5225
Utility Billing/Water & Sewer Account Information	503-557-2771
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	503-557-2763
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](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us)

## Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

503-656-2411

► **Family Programs**—*Dr. Who Club: Are You a fan of Dr. Who?* Watch an episode and share any show related news. All ages welcome—the third Thursday of month: May 15th, 6-7:30 pm.  
► **Adult Programs**—*Master Gardeners Series: Plants, natural gardening & environmentally friendly techniques.* May 24th from 1-2pm. *Society of Financial Awareness Presentation: "ID Theft"*, May 6th at 6:30 pm. *The Rock Readers* meet the third Tuesday of every month: May 13th at 6:30 pm. This month's book, "Three-Day Town" by Margaret Maron. Books can be picked up at the information desk.  
► **Teen Programs**—*Teen Game*

*Night*, the first Thursday of every month: May 1st, 6:00 pm. *Anime Club*—meets the second Thursday of every month: May 8th, 6:00 pm.  
► **Children's Programs**—*Storytime Songs & Crafts*—every Thursday at 9:30 am; *Lab Rats*—meets every Saturday at 11am; *Book Buddies*—a book club for 1st-3rd graders, will meet the first Wednesday of every month at 3:30 pm. This month the club will meet on May 7th for fun activities and a discussion about the book, "Owl". Kids can check out a copy at the information desk. *Lego Club*—meets the second Wednesday of every month at 3:30 pm, next meeting on May 14th. *Page Pals*—a book club for 4th & 5th

graders, will meet on May 21st for fun activities and a discussion about the graphic novel, "How Mirka Got Her Sword". Kids can check out a copy at the information desk.  
► Sign up for Gladstone Public Library's Monthly newsletter: <http://gladstonepubliclibrary.wordpress.com/library-newsletter/>  
► Check online for the library calendar, events, special programs and more information: **Website:** <http://gladstonepubliclibrary.wordpress.com/> **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/gladstonepubliclibrary>; **Twitter:** @GladstonePubLib; **Email:** Gladstonepubliclibrary@gmail.com.

## Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

©No Senior Should Go Hungry—March for Meals—National campaign to increase awareness of the Meals on Wheels program at the Senior Center. Thank you to the community and all who have supported the program. This campaign would not have been such a success without your help. Special thanks to: Gladstone Nissan, The Gold Wrench, Baskin Robbins, Bob's Red Mill, Bright Cleaners, Subway on McLoughlin, Gladstone Burgerville, Pizza Hut, High Rocks, Tebo's, Crossroads Coffee, Happyrock Coffee and Walt & DeeDee Fitch.

©AARP Smart Driver Course. May 17th from 9:00-4:30 pm. Open to all ages to help increase your skills to become a safer, more defensive driver. Upon completion of the course, those 55 or older, may be eligible for an auto insurance discount. Cost is \$15 with AARP card or \$20 without card. Call to register.

©Views Conversations on Aging—May 21st from 10-11:30 am. Oregon's Advance Directive: Learn about end of life care, choices and explore your feelings about the decisions ahead. VIEWS (Volunteers Involved for the Emotional Well-being of Seniors) offers FREE facilitated discussion groups on topics important to people over 60 years and above. Space is limited—call the Center ASAP to sign up.

©Mother's Day Tea & Luncheon—May 7th at 11:30 am. Special dessert buffet. Call for reservations.

## Upcoming TRAM Trip

503-655-7701

\*May 2nd—Mission Hill Museum Tour—this historic site in Salem contains a former woolen mill, pioneer homes, garden, gift shop & more. Guided tour and lunch after at a local restaurant. Cost is \$17 (includes bus and tour—lunch on your own). Leave at 9am, return at 3:30 pm. Call to reserve your spot!

## Gladstone Girls Softball Association—2014 Jamboree

The Gladstone Girls Softball Association is hosting the second annual softball jamboree on Sunday, April 27th. The jamboree includes a mini softball tournament, food and non-food vendors and carnival games. The jamboree will start at 9am and concludes around 3pm at Meldrum Bar Park. Clackamas County girls youth softball teams (K-8th grade) interested in participating in the mini-tournament or vendors interested in having a booth can sign up online at [gladstonegirlsoftball.com](http://gladstonegirlsoftball.com). Team registration fee is \$30 per team. Questions, contact Joelle Latcu at [joellelatcu@yahoo.com](mailto:joellelatcu@yahoo.com). This event is open to the community.



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## Attention Garden Lovers!

The Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) is hosting their 1st veggie and herb plant sale. Dates and times: May 2nd—12:00-6pm, May 3rd—10am-4pm. Sale will be held at 145 E. Dartmouth, next to the library. Two hanging baskets will be offered for a raffle—\$1.00/ticket. Proceeds benefit one of this year's new library projects. Also, Fred Meyer (FM) Corp. is awarding \$2.5 million to non-profit community organizations. Link your FM card to the GPLF by going to the FM website, clicking on rewards, then community awards. When asked for the non-profit you want to be linked to, type in Gladstone Public Library Foundation. You may visit the GPLF website at [www.gpl-foundation.org](http://www.gpl-foundation.org) or call 503-655-4248 for info.

## Gladstone's Famous Past

Due to popular demand—The Gladstone Historical Society will host an "evening" repeat presentation of Gladstone's famous History in photos, featuring Kim Huey, on May 14th at 6:00 pm at the Senior Center, 1050 Portland Ave. Come discover where important events took place and the great and famous people who visited Gladstone and why. More info. [www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org](http://www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org).

## Local Meetings—

◆The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, May 14th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Flying Pie Pizzeria, 16691 SE McLoughlin Blvd, Milwaukie. Host: Ty Dupuis. Questions? Contact Walt Fitch at 503-544-9672 or [walt.fitch@gmail.com](mailto:walt.fitch@gmail.com).

◆The Gladstone Historical Society meets the second Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm at the Senior Center. For 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.  
◆T.O.P.S., Take Off Pounds Sensibly, a non-profit weight loss support group, meets at St. Stephens Lutheran Church, 290 W. Gloucester, on Mondays at 6:00 pm and Fridays at 9:30 am. For info. visit [www.tops.org](http://www.tops.org).