



GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Reminder—Leaf Pick Up has Started



Public Works picks up leaves (and only leaves) from October to January. A map and schedule of estimated dates when city crews will be in your area was published in last month's newsletter (additional maps/schedules are available at City Hall and on the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us). Residents are asked to put their 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.

LO/Tigard Water Partnership Project Update



The horizontal directional drilled (HDD) portion of the pipeline under the Willamette River is staged at Meldrum Bar Park. In mid-October, 240 foot lengths of pipeline arrived on a barge which is parked near the staging area at Meldrum. The lengths of pipe are now being welded together into a continuous, 3,800 foot length, which will then be pulled through the tunnel that was drilled over the past few months. The pullback will occur the last week of October, will operate 24 hours per day and take 1-3 days to complete. Neighbors can expect to see several cranes that will be used to hoist the pipe as it is pulled into the tunnel.

Gladstone Police Department (GPD) Updates

***Officer Gilliam to Graduate**—On Nov. 7th, Officer Gilliam will graduate from the basic police academy. His academy sergeant tells us Officer Gilliam will be an excellent addition to GPD. After graduation he will transition to his field training on the streets of Gladstone. Officer Gilliam is excited to begin this next phase of his training and looks forward to helping Gladstone be a safer city, in partnership with the community!

***Speed Enforcement**—Gladstone is mostly a residential community with many cross streets. The GPD appreciates motorists who respect the speed limits. Occasionally, we hear from community members about motorists driving too fast in neighborhoods. When this happens we use a combination of education and enforcement to help. We use our GPD speed trailer in problem areas to make drivers aware of how fast they are moving, and thank volunteer Len Nelson for managing this program. Officers also conduct speed enforcement in problem areas to slow motorists down and educate them on the dangers of driving too fast. Our goals are to save lives, reduce injuries and severity of collisions.

***Emergency Preparedness**—Based on historical data, experts say we are likely overdue for a major earthquake. This is why GPD strongly encourages community members to be prepared for this type of emergency or other natural disaster. GPD learned from others who have lived through major disasters that residents might need to be self-sufficient for several days until relief comes. If you'd like information on how to be prepared, contact Maria Aikin, GPD Executive Assistant, at 503-557-2798 or aikin@ci.gladstone.or.us.

***Preventing Crime**—The best way to prevent crime is to harden the target. This means you reduce the opportunity for a crime to occur. Think about how you can lessen the chance of being victimized at your home, business or anywhere. GPD offers free training to neighborhoods, church groups, school groups, on how to partner with the GPD to prevent crime. For info contact Chief Jim Pryde at 503-557-2765 or pryde@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Military Veterans Parade

Gladstone Baskin-Robbins & Burgerville will honor our local military Veterans with a parade on Saturday, November 8th. The parade will be led by the Milwaukie American Legion Color Guard and escorted by the Gladstone Police. The parade will depart Burgerville at noon, heading east on Glen Echo Ave, south on Abernethy Lane, south on Portland Ave, east on W. Gloucester and end at Baskin-Robbins. The goal is to honor our Veterans and increase knowledge of proper flag etiquette when our great nation's colors are presented.

Promote Safety for Halloween

Your fire and police departments want the community to have a safe and enjoyable Halloween. The community is invited to bring their super heroes, ghosts and goblins to the Fire Dept, 555 Portland Ave, on October 31st from 5:00-8:00 pm for a tour and treats. There will be several dedicated firefighters there to welcome you! 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! 🚫

Employment Opportunity

The City of Gladstone is taking applications for a part-time Assistant Court Clerk. Application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2014. For additional information and details, visit the employment page on the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us.

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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 to 3 council members. No minutes will be taken, just as if we were to meet on a street corner and have a discussion. Bring your ideas, complaints and solutions to make Gladstone a better community. It is important to remember to be respectful of everyone's comments. This is an informal meeting and no official decisions can be made. In an effort to meet at a time that is convenient for you, we have scheduled the 2nd Monday of the month from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. and the 4th Monday of the month from 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Gladstone Public library. The first meeting dates are January 12th 10 a.m. & January 26th 6:30 p.m. Please come and share your thoughts.


Applications for City Boards

Several terms on city committees, boards and commissions will expire the end of 2014. At its December 9, 2014 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments and re-appointments to one position on the Planning Commission, two positions on the Budget Committee, one position on the Library Board, three positions on the Traffic Safety Commission three positions on the Park & Recreation Board and three 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 to City Hall by Wednesday, December 3, 2014.

Test Your Smoke Alarm

October is fire safety month so Gladstone firefighters would like to remind residents to test their smoke alarm. Proper working smoke alarms have saved thousands of lives! The opposite results can be noted for homes without a working smoke alarm. Each year countless lives are needlessly lost in homes without a working smoke alarm. Remember smoke alarms do not last forever—typically a 10 year battery life—but you must still manually test your unit monthly. Pick the same day each month to test your detector—write it on your calendar through the year's end. Take this time to have your school age child assist with testing—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 predetermined family meeting spot. These safety tips, when practiced, are priceless when an emergency occurs. Questions, call 503-557-2774

Follow the Star

Follow the Star, annual community live nativity event, Dec. 5, 6, 7 & 12, 13, 14 at Gladstone Park Conference Center, 19500 Oatfield Rd. This event is free, but tickets are required. Tickets available beginning Nov. 1st at www.FollowTheStar.us. Additional details in next month's newsletter and at www.FollowTheStar.us. 

Library Foundation News

*Come to the Library Foundation's annual Halloween Treats for Kids on Oct. 31st from 5:30-7:30 pm in the Library. This is a fun event that introduces young readers to the world of literature. Trick or treaters receive pencils, candy & books. *Want a picture taken of your pet? Luna Photography will be at Happy Rock Coffee, 435 Portland Ave on Nov. 8th from 12-3pm. Fund raiser supports library programs. *Elections are Nov. 4th—don't forget to vote!

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program—Starting Nov. 4th the Senior Center will offer the Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program. This is a free 8-week program that was developed by physical therapists specifically for people with arthritis. It is a low-impact, joint-safe program that has been documented to help decrease arthritis pain & relieve stiffness while increasing flexibility and range of motion. This class is suitable for every fitness level and can be taken either sitting down or standing. Classes will be Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10-11 am, starting November 4th—January 8th. Sign up at the Senior Center or by calling 503-655-7701.

Harvest Carnival

On Thursday, October 31st from 6:00-8:00 pm, 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 yrs old-5th grade) which will be used to give back to the community during the holiday season. Children will enjoy giant blow up rides, a bounce house, 25 carnival-style games, and eat treats. Food available for purchase. Visit www.tcbt.org for information.

A Night of Fun



Come to a night of fun, food and LOTS OF CANDY at Gladstone Christian Church's, 305 E. Dartmouth, Trunk or Treat on Thursday, October 31st. Join them in the parking lot anytime between 5-7:30 pm where there will decorated cars, trucks, etc. Children can walk from vehicle to vehicle to look at decorations and receive candy & treats. This event is a safe family environment for trick-or-treaters of all ages. There will be hot coffee available for adults as well. For information, call 503-656-3394. (Please no scary costumes.)

Somerset Halloween Safe House

Somerset Assisted Living, 8360 Cason Rd, invites all children up to age 12 to stop by on October 31st, from 3:30-5:00 pm, for treats and the Exotic Animal Lady. Spiders, snacks, Seemore Teeth the Alligator and much more! Interactive/hands on experience with all of the critters. Call 503-723-7868 for information.

Good Health Made Easy

Healthy Heart is presenting a free health event, "Good Health Made Easy" at the Gladstone Park Church, 8378 Cason Rd. There will be blood pressure checks, measuring body fat and conducting computerized health risk assessments to find your health age. The main presenter and health expert is Don Lorenson, RN DSN LPHN Home Health Supervisor at Portland Adventist Medical Center. Topics include: October 26th—Blood Pressure, November 2nd—Diabetes and November 9th—Cholesterol from 5:00-6:00 pm. For info., visit www.healthyheartteam.net.



Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

503-656-2411

☞ Be a Friend of the Gladstone Library—A Friends of the Library group is forming. For info, contact Maria Mitchell at gladstonelibrary-friends@gmail.com.
 ☞ Storytime & Lab Rats on Break—Tiny Tots & Preschool Storytimes will take a break the week of Nov. 25 & 27. Lab Rats will break that week both on Nov. 22 & 29.
 ☞ TAB Group Starting—The Library is starting a Teen Advisory Board (TAB). If you are interested,

ask for info at the reference desk.
 ☞ Family Events: **Are You a Fan of Dr. Who?* will meet, watch an episode & share show related news. All ages welcome. Dr. Who Club meets the third Thursday of each month, Nov. 20th at 6pm; **Game Night* is held the first Thursday of each month, Nov. 6th at 6pm.
 ☞ Adult Events: *Our popular *Oregon Authors Series* continues on Nov. 25th at 6pm. Meet local author Brian Doyle. **The Rock*

Readers book club meets the third Tuesday of each month, Nov. 18th at 6pm. This month's book, "The Blackhouse" by Peter May may be checked out at the info. desk.
 ☞ Children's Events: **Book Buddies* meets the first Tuesday of each month, Nov. 4th at 3:30 pm. Book Buddies is a book club for 1st-3rd graders. This month's book, "Stink: The Incredible Shrinking Kid", by Megan McDonald. **Lego Club*, Nov. 12th at 3:30 pm.

Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

☉ Entertainment Books 2015—It's that time of year—the Center is selling Entertainment books as a fundraiser for the Meals on Wheels Program. Books may be purchased for \$30 at the front reception desk of the Center. These make great holiday gifts! Get yours today as they go fast!
 ☉ Clackamas County Tax Assessor's office will host their annual Town Hall Meeting on October 28th from 9-10:30 am. Important information about your property tax statement, current property values, veteran's exemptions, senior tax deferrals, new money measures affecting taxes will be discussed.
 ☉ Halloween Spooktacular Lunch—Wednesday, October 29th at 11:30 am. Trick or treat, give me something good to eat! Join us for a ghoulish time at our Halloween Spooktacular Lunch party. Dress up in your favorite Halloween costumes—prizes will be awarded for the best costumes! Costumes not required, but they are encouraged! Entertainment by Art Goodman. Cost: donation. Sign up at the Center.
 ☉ AARP Smart Driver Course—Saturday, November 15th from 9am to 4:30 pm. This class is open to all ages to help increase your skills to become a safer, more defensive driver. Upon completion of class, those 55 years or older may be eligible for a discount on auto insurance. Cost is \$15 with AARP card or \$20 without AARP. Call the center to register.
 ☉ Thanksgiving Feast—Wednesday, November 19th at 11:30 am. Gobble, gobble, gobble! Please join us for a wonderful Thanksgiving lunch! Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Cost: donation. Space is limited so make sure to call or sign up at the center to save your spot!



Upcoming TRAM Trips—Call 503-655-7701 to RSVP or for Info.

*Nov. 7th—Cabela's & Oswego Grill—leave 9:30 am, return 2pm, Fare (\$5—includes bus); *Nov. 14th—Hubers for Lunch—leave 10am, return 2pm, Fare (\$6—includes bus); *Nov. 17th—Hike Scouters Mt—bring sack lunch & must be able to hike 3 or more miles, leave 9am, return 1pm, Fare (\$7—includes bus); *Nov. 21st—Northwest Senior Theatre "Holiday Harmonies" & McGraths—leave 10:30 am, return 5:30 pm, Fare (\$13 includes bus & show); *Dec. 5th—Woodburn Company Stores—leave 9am, return 2pm, Fare (\$7—includes bus); *Dec. 11th—Christmas Ships/Old Spaghetti Factory—leave 5pm, return 8pm, Fare (6—includes bus); *Dec. 15th—Tebos & Winter Wonderland at PIR—leave 5:30 pm, return 8pm, fare (\$10 includes bus & light show); *Dec. 22nd—Shirley's House & Light Trips—leave 5:30 pm, return 8:30 pm, fare (\$10 includes food & bus).

Krayon Kids Musical Theater

Krayon Kids Musical Theater Company presents their annual fall show, Surviving Filmore Academy, featuring Kraxberger 7th grader, Skye Palacios & John Wetten 3rd grader, Eva Gonzalez along with 50 other talented kids who will sing, dance and act their way into your hearts on Nov. 7, 14 & 21 at 7pm, Nov. 8, 15 & 22 at 2pm and 7pm and Nov. 9, 16 & 23 at 2pm. For ticket information and special discounts, visit www.krayonkids.org



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Gladstone Annual School Bazaar

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 1st from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, to attend the annual Gladstone School Bazaar at the Gladstone High School cafeteria, 18800 Portland Ave. It will be buzzing with excitement with 65+ tables. The Boy Scouts will be serving beverages, lunch and treats. The school and table placement are handicap accessible. Both new and returning vendors will provide a large variety of items at reasonable prices. Fall, Thanksgiving, Christmas, gift, food, personal and home décor items. The emphasis is on hand made articles of wood, ceramic, fabric, jewelry, soap and more. Jump start your holiday shopping and support local crafters! For info., call Teena Reed at 503-997-7068. Proceeds benefit at-risk high school kids program.

Thank You for Your Patience

The Gladstone Public Works Dept. would like to thank residents for their patience during the recent paving projects on Oatfield Rd, E. Hereford & W. Arlington. Public Works received few complaints during this process & thanks all who had to take different routes during the construction. Thank you!

Local Meetings—

◆ The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, November 12th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Nana's Treasures, 785 Portland Ave. Hosted by Brenda Laam. 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 the Gladstone Park SDA Church, 8378 Cason Rd. For 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.
 ◆ 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 or call 503-750-7686.

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) - 7:30 pm—in the City Hall Council Chambers
 *Planning Commission—3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 7:30 pm In City Hall Council Chambers
 *Library Board—4th 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 are on our website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us