



# 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](http://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.

## Safety Fair—Success

Gladstone Fire, Police and emergency management representatives were joined by several agencies and utility workers promoting public safety on Oct. 13th. Over 300 attendees were treated to a Life Flight helicopter landing and viewing of the air ambulance; Gladstone's K-9 Officer, Dino, and his partner, Officer Steve Mixson, demonstrated skills on how a K-9 partner assists with officer safety; Fire dept. demonstrations included cutting a car with the "jaws of life"; extinguishing a car fire; and how to use a fire extinguisher safely. Other safety partners included: Clackamas Co. Sheriff, PGE, NW Natural Gas, State Fire Marshal, AMR Ambulance, Chaplin Group that supports our public safety staff, and demonstrations on water safety, railroad safety, and an opportunity to meet our Library Director. Thanks to all who participated and attended!

## 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!



## GPD Officers Crime Prevention Education

Gladstone Police Officers provide free crime prevention education classes for your neighborhood, business, church or club. They teach on a variety of topics, such as: neighborhood watch, residential security, business security, armed robbery prevention, dealing effectively with hostile clients, personal security and many more. For information or to schedule a class, please call Maria Aikin M-F, 8am to 5pm at 503-557-2798 or email [aikin@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:aikin@ci.gladstone.or.us). When Gladstone community members are better educated on how to prevent crime, we make Gladstone a safer place to be!

## Keep Wipes Out of Pipes

Did you know that flushing items such as cleaning and baby wipes can cause damage to the Gladstone public sewer system? Many things routinely flushed down the toilet or washed down the drain, including those sold as "flushable", can cause expensive maintenance problems and sewer back-ups in your home, the public sewer system and in the environment. Examples of what should NOT be flushed or washed down the drain are: baby & cleaning wipes, paper towels, cotton balls, swabs & pads, facial wipes and tissues, feminine products, medications, chemicals, fats, oils & grease. Thanks for protecting our environment.

## Employment Opportunities

The Gladstone Public Library is now taking applications for three positions: Library Assistant (16 hrs), On-Call Library Assistants and On-Call Library Aid. Starting wages are: Library Assistant (16 hrs) - \$18.71/hr; On-Call Library Assistants—\$15.69/hr; On-Call Library Aid—\$8.95/hr. Closing date for Library Assistant (16 hrs) and On-Call Library Assistants is Friday, November 1, 2013 and On-Call Library Aid is Friday, November 8, 2013. For additional information and details, visit the employment page on the city's website, [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us).

## Construction Project on the Clackamas River Update



The visible, large red crane at Portland Avenue and Clackamas Blvd marks the spot of the Lake Oswego Tigard Water Partnership's river intake pump station (RIPS) replacement. The cofferdam is now complete and ground anchors for seismic stability are being installed. Please be reminded that it is an active construction site, so please stay outside the security fencing. Check out the new sign at the entrance to Ames Park that describes the project in more detail. Photo at left: The cofferdam, which allows construction to continue in the dry throughout the winter, is now complete.

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## Gladstone Library Annual Report

Annual Report to Community FY 12-13 (\*numbers taken from Library Network of Clackamas Co. [LINCC] June 2013)

### Number of Library Visitors:

- **23,483** (June—Sept. 2013)
- **5,870** people per month
- **217** people per day

### Circulation Stats: 7,544 registered borrowers\*

- 749 new borrowers added
- 65% of Gladstone residents have library cards (11,654 residents— July 2012 U.S. Census)
  - Gladstone Residents 5,594 = 48%
  - Unincorporated Residents 1,842 = 16%
  - Combined 7,436=64% (+/- 108 residents variation)
- **53,000** average number of items in our collection\* (not including magazines 2,500 issues)
- **490** the average number of new items added per month\* (not including magazines)
- **66,963** holds were placed\*
  - **5,580** average per month
  - **207** average per day
- **272,101** items circulated\*
  - **22,675** checked out per month
  - **840** items checked out per day
- **366,500** items were checked-in\*
  - **30,541** items were checked in per month
  - **1,131** items were checked in per day
- **4,264** books and movies were downloaded\*

### Computer Stats:

- **9,991** public Internet sessions\*
  - **832** sessions per month
  - **30** sessions per day

### Program Stats: 2,356 people attended library programs

### GLADSTONE PUBLIC LIBRARY Estimated Values of Services\* FY 2012/13

Quantity	Library Services	Retail Value	Value of Services
186,113	Adult Books Borrowed	\$17.00	\$3,163,921.00
11,227	Young Adult Books Borrow	\$12.00	\$134,724.00
70,497	Children's Books Borrowed	\$17.00	\$1,198,449.00
76,508	Movie DVD's Borrowed	\$4.00	\$306,032.00
9,773	Audio Materials Borrowed	\$9.95	\$97,241.35
7,416	Music CD's Borrowed	\$9.95	\$73,789.20
4,264	Electronic Books Borrowed	\$15.00	\$63,960.00
7,906	Magazines Borrowed	\$5.00	\$39,530.00
1,196	Newspapers	\$9.50	\$11,362.00
133	Interlibrary Loans	\$25.00	\$3,325.00
73	Adult Program Attendees	\$15.00	\$1,095.00
68	Teen Program Attendees	\$12.00	\$816.00
2,215	Kids Program Attendees	\$7.00	\$15,505.00
9,991	Computer Use (hours)	\$12.00	\$119,892.00
329	Museum Passes Borrowed	\$20.00	\$5,780.00
5,260	Customer Queries Answer	\$7.00	\$36,820.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>Value</b>		<b>\$5,272,241.55</b>

## Veteran's Assembly

All Veterans are invited to attend the Gladstone High School (GHS) Veteran's Assembly on Thursday, November 7th from 8:30—10:05 am at Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Ave. Enjoy music and melodies from the GHS band and choir. Each branch of the service will be honored. Veterans, active duty and families, please sign in at the table in the commons before proceeding to the cafeteria for refreshments and the main gym for the assembly. Questions, call 503-655-2544, ext. 418.

## Harvest Carnival

On Thursday, October 31st from 6:00-8:00 pm, Tri-City Baptist Temple, 18025 Webster Rd, will host their annual Harvest Carnival. Admission is 2 cans of food per child which will be used to give back to the community during the holiday season. Children will enjoy blow ups, games and food. Visit [www.tcbt.org](http://www.tcbt.org) for additional information.

## A Night of Fun



Come to a night of fun, food and LOTS OF CANDY at the 19th Annual Hallelujah Carnival at Gladstone Christian Church, 305 E. Dartmouth, on Thursday, October 31st. The fun begins at 4:30 pm and lasts until 8:00 pm. Tickets for carnival games are just 25¢ each or 5/\$1.00. Like us on Facebook by Oct. 28th and receive 5 free tickets at the door! Parents can join in the games or take a pause to purchase an Italian soda, nacho or a baked potato with all the fixings! This is a fun, safe, warm and dry alternative to trick-or-treating. For information, call 503-656-3394. (Please no scary costumes)

## Upcoming Events at Somerset

Somerset Assisted Living, 8360 Cason Rd, will host the following events:

- \*Halloween Trick or Treat Party, Oct. 31st, 4:00 pm (while supplies last). This year features DJ Tristan's Halloween Dance Party for all the little monsters. Up to age 12 welcome!
- \*Knitting, Crochet & Cross Stitch. Come learn the soon-to-be lost art of knitting, crochet & cross stitching right from the Grandmas of Somerset Assisted Living. Tuesdays 4:00-5:00 pm (ages 8-12) and Thursdays 4:00-5:00 pm (ages 13-17). Classes start the first week in November. Call 503-723-7868 for information.



## 4th Annual Holiday Bazaar

Gladstone Park SDA Church, 8378 Cason Rd, is hosting their 4th Annual Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 8th & 10th from 10 am to 4 pm. 30+ tables of crafts, collectibles, antiques, home-based business displays, gift baskets, bake sale, gourmet foods, live music & more. Contact Kim Huey at 503-668-9215 for more information.

## Blue Heron—Willamette Falls Legacy Project

Willamette Falls is the largest-volume waterfall in the Pacific Northwest—second only to Niagara Falls in the all of North America. Since the 1930's the base of the Falls has been used for industry: a flour mill, a saw mill, a brick operation, a woolen mill and a paper mill. After more than 100 years in paper manufacturing, the site closed in February 2011 when Blue Heron Paper Co. went out of business. A public vision and master plan are taking shape with the goal of transforming a 23-acre industrial site nestled along the Falls in historic Oregon City. This former paper mill could someday serve as an economic engine, a waterfront destination, a unique habitat, a window into Oregon's past—and a bold step into our future. Gladstone residents are invited to view and comment on emerging concept ideas for the former Blue Heron Paper Co., in Oregon City. Concepts are based on years of research, opportunities and constraints, the results of a market study and comments from more than 2,500 participants in the vision phase. Please visit the official project site at [www.rediscoverthefalls.com](http://www.rediscoverthefalls.com), or call 503-496-1564 for additional information or to comment on the project.

## Senior Center Events—1050 Portland Ave

503-655-7701

- ©Halloween Lunch, Oct. 31st, at 11:30 am. Entertainment by Art Goodman, special prizes for costumes, special lunch will be prepared. Suggested donation of \$2.50. Please RSVP by Oct. 25th.
- ©VIEWS Conversation on Aging will present "Holiday Wellness" for their Nov. 20th meeting from 10:00-11:30 am. Open to those 60 years & above. Designed to provide a discussion of feelings and experiences related to the topic. Limited to 10 people so call the center to RSVP!
- ©The annual Town Hall meeting will be held by the Clackamas County Tax Assessment at the Senior Center on October 23rd, from 9:00-10:30 am. Discussion includes this year's property tax statement, property values, veteran exemptions, tax deferrals and measures affecting taxes.
- ©Happyrock Coffee Roasting Co., will have free coffee tasting on November 5th from 11:30-12:00 pm at the center. Come try some fresh roasted coffees.
- ©A traditional turkey meal will be served at the Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 20th at 11:30 am. Entertainment provided by Mark J. Sponsored by Homewoods on the Willamette & Gladstone Seniors Foundation. Reservations are required.
- ©United Health will have a representative available to share information about open enrollment for Medicare on Oct. 21st at 3:00 pm, November 4th & 18th at 3:00 pm
- ©Entertainment & Chinook Books for sale as a fundraiser for the Meals on Wheels Program. Entertainment Books are \$25 and Chinook Books are \$20. These books have tons of coupon savings!

## Free Concerts at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 290 W. Gloucester

- \*Benefit Concert on November 17th at 3:00 pm. Come hear the Portland Metro Band play music of all types, sure to appeal to people of all ages. Concert to benefit Clackamas Service Center & H.O.P.E. (Helping Other People Eat) - please bring canned food.
- \*Free Christmas Concert—Chautauqua Community Chorus presents "Out Under the Sky" on December 7th at 7:00 pm and December 8th at 3:00 pm. Open to all ages and will include activities for children. A free-will donation will benefit local charities. For information, call 503-656-8194.

## GriefShare Seminar

"GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays" is a helpful, encouraging seminar for people facing the holidays after a loved one's death. The seminar is scheduled for November 5th from 7:00-9:00 pm at Gladstone Christian Church, 305 E. Dartmouth. The event is free. The seminar features practical suggestions and reassurance through video interviews with counselors, grief experts and others who have experienced the holidays after their loved one's death. For information, call 503-656-3394 or email [office@gladstonecc.org](mailto:office@gladstonecc.org).

## Address Numbers on Your Home

The Gladstone Fire Dept. requests residents please check address numbers placed on the front of their homes. Address numbers need to be 4 inches or larger, have a light for night time hours and stand out in a contrasting color to the home. Their quick response when responding to emergencies is dependent upon them finding your home. Please do your part by placing large, lighted, contrasting numbers on your home!

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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 meeting packets are on our website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us)

## Gladstone Annual School Bazaar

Mark your calendar for Saturday, November 2nd from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, to attend the annual Gladstone School Bazaar. **NEW LOCATION!** The cafeteria at Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Ave, will be buzzing with excitement with 65-70 sale 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 abound. 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 information, call Teena Reed at 503-997-7068. Money raised helps support various projects.



## Gladstone High School Senior Party Fundraiser

Flying Pie Pizza, 16691 SE McLoughlin Blvd, Wednesday, November 13th from 5:00-10:00 pm. Call ahead to order at 503-496-3170 otherwise the kitchen gets overwhelmed and the wait may be an hour or longer. Thanks!

## Local Meetings—

- ◆The next Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is Wednesday, November 13th from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at Mr. Rooter Plumbing, 260 82nd Dr. Hosted by Steve & Michele Ferre. Questions? Contact Walt Fitch at [walt.fitch@gmail.com](mailto:walt.fitch@gmail.com) or 503-544-9672.
- ◆The Gladstone Historical Society meets the second Wednesday of each month at 6:00 pm. 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.
- ◆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) or call 503-750-7686.