



Gladstone Community Center Staff Report

October 2023

The Community Center is coming into the busy season of friends and family events. We have many friendly welcoming events to bring the community together for the season. The Community Center continues to enjoy seeing more and more new faces each month.

Stats for Food in Gladstone

- Food boxes delivered: 216
- Congregate lunches: 225
- Homebound Meals delivered to seniors at home: 1504 (Hot Meals)
- Active participants signing in to our activities 1050
- Food Boxes served in October: 192
- Gladstone received 520 lbs. of food donated to our Homebound Senior Food Box Program (Gleaners and or Food Bank)
- Center has received a total of \$705.00 in donations for Homebound Meals and \$714.00 Congregate meals.
- **Services provided**
Gladstone Community Center recorded 6 information and assistance calls, 6 reassurance and outgoing participant checks and 8 Homebound case management calls.
- Rental information: 6 rentals in October
- 102 Volunteers and 558 volunteer hours recorded in October with 7 new volunteers and 2 pending applications.

Highlights for the month:



A staff favorite is the volunteer BBQ. We love seeing all of our volunteers who share their time throughout the year with all of us. This is a fantastic event highlighting what a wonderful, helpful and supportive community of volunteers we have. We are very lucky to have each one of these caring and giving individuals.





We were lucky to have Rivergate School students come and do garden clean up. They put rocks around the Holiday tree that they had planted last year in order to improve aesthetics and stability. They have been a great partner to help with projects at the Community Center.

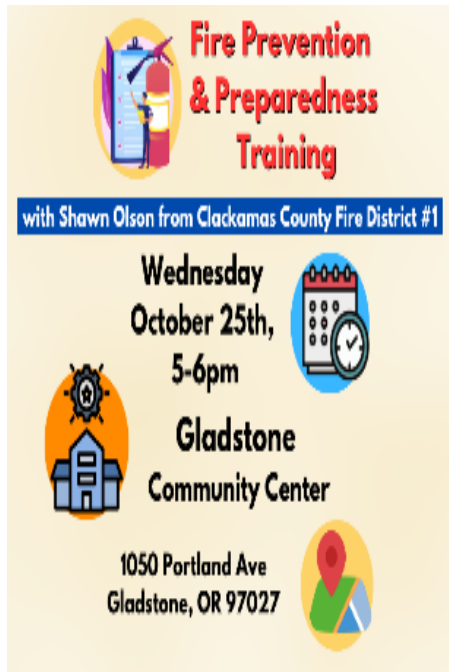
The community center enjoyed another very successful Bingo night in the month of October. There were many of the community members here to participate in this after hour's activity hosted by Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary.



The annual 50th anniversary party was a big hit again this year. We have many couple who enjoyed a night honoring them and the 50 plus years that they have been married. Many couples have been coming to this event for years and many are new attendees.



Open enrollment for Medicare is in full swing everywhere and that includes here at the Community Center. To support enrollment efforts, we had the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance give a great presentation this month. SHIBA is also helping seniors with individual help if necessary. We have scheduled weekly presentations for those who could not make the initial presentation. These presentations are on Thursday mornings in the library.



**Fire Prevention
& Preparedness
Training**

with Shawn Olson from Clackamas County Fire District #1

Wednesday
October 25th, 5-6pm

Gladstone
Community Center

1050 Portland Ave
Gladstone, OR 97027

The GEMS monthly meeting topic for October was Fire Prevention. This event is a series that continues about every month with a new informative theme intended to keep you informed and prepared in the event of an emergency.

GEMS has posted video from the presentation on the Gladstone website.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A
Winter Holiday Market

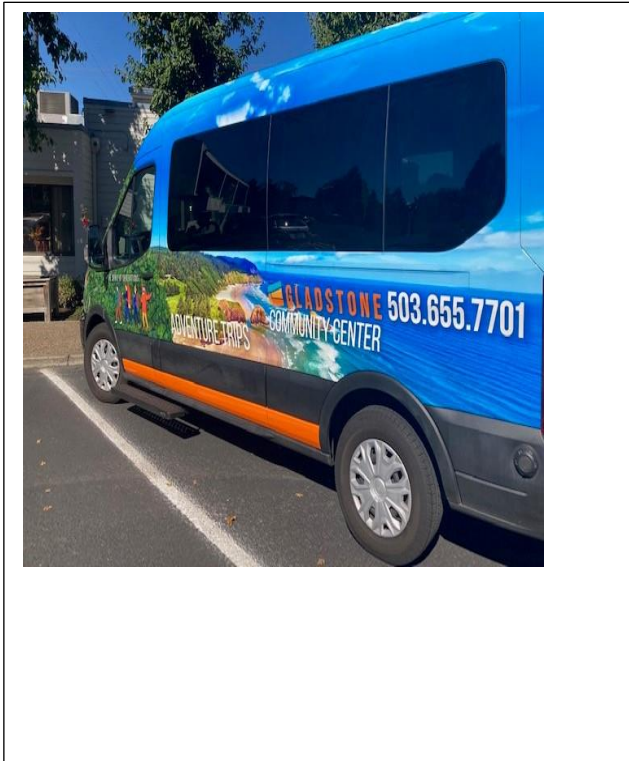
Enjoy the excitement of Gladstone Community Center's 2nd Annual Winter Market event. The best outdoor marketplace for your holiday shopping. The festive atmosphere is unbeatable. LIVE MUSIC - in the heart of Gladstone.

9 December 2021	1050 PORTLAND AVE	10:00AM 5PM
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For More Information:
503-855-7701

organized by Gladstone Community Center, the spirit of celebrations; a program of the City of Gladstone

The Winter Market applications rolled in. We are at maximum capacity inside but have a few new outside spaces still available. Everyone is excited to see this come together and be even more successful than last year.



A colorful wrap was added to the new van and reflects the new Community Center name. We feel the graphics will help attract new participants. With the remaining grant fund, floor mats and a cargo box are being added to accommodate walkers and wheelchairs.



The final touches are on the back part of the building. We now have a sturdy cover over the back door for the volunteers to use during the rainy season. The painting is completed and the gutters are on, as well. The remaining grant money is being used for a continuation of the concrete to the curb.

So many exciting great things happening at the center!