

TEAM AGREEMENT FOR SUCCESS, WE WILL...

OPEN COMMUNICATIONS	We will be open and transparent in our communications and listen to understand diverse perspectives.
RESPECT	We will exercise respectful leadership and promote inclusion to make our community feel safe and respected.
ONE TEAM	We will act as ONE BODY and support one another for the success of the team in serving the Gladstone community.
MEETING CIVILITY	We will come prepared to our meetings, stay focused on the issues, make decisions, ask questions, and be clear and fair.

2023-2025 CITY COUNCIL GOALS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



OUTCOMES:

- Robust economic ecosystem
- Support, maintain, and grow ALL businesses
- Revitalization to make Gladstone's downtown an inviting place

INFRASTRUCTURE



OUTCOMES:

- Solid foundation of infrastructure to support future growth and meet current system demands
- Sustainable plan and stable financing for maintenance and upgrades
- Well maintained roads
- Address DEQ violations

COMMUNICATIONS + ENGAGEMENT



OUTCOMES:

- Foster trust within Council and staff
- Build trust with the community
- Enhanced engagement with the community
- Increased involvement for all

PARKS



OUTCOMES:

- Clear understanding of parks funding and service structure
- Prioritize park improvement projects and identify funding options



Mayor Michael Milch



Councilor Vanessa Huckaby



Councilor Greg Alexander



Councilor Veronica Reichle



Councilor Luke Roberts



Councilor Mindy Garlington

Upcoming City Meetings

- Park & Recreation Advisory Board- Monday, April 10th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council- Tuesday, April 11th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Senior Center Advisory Board- Tuesday, April 18th at 3:30 pm, Gladstone Senior Center.
- Planning Commission- Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Traffic Safety Advisory Board - Monday, April 24th at 6:00 pm, Gladstone Civic Center
- City Council Work Session- Tuesday, April 25th at 5:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center
- Clackamas County Library Advisory Board- Thursday, March 16th at 5:30 pm via Zoom: clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings

More information on all City events and meetings can be found by visiting <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings>

City of Gladstone Annual Easter Egg Hunt

The annual City of Gladstone Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 8th, **beginning precisely at 11:00 am** at the Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Ave. Children of Gladstone residents between the ages of 1 and 10 are invited to hunt for over 5,000 eggs "hidden" on the Gladstone football field (Ages 1-8) and softball field (ages 9-10).

More information can be found by visiting: <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/annual-easter-egg-hunt>

Gladstone Oak-Lodge Rotary Pancake Breakfast

The Gladstone Oak-Lodge Pancake Breakfast at Gladstone High School will be held on Saturday, April 8th from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. All proceeds will benefit Rotary's scholarships for local graduates in the Class of 2023.



Chriscakes Northwest will serve their famous flying pancakes. The price is \$10 for adults & teens, \$8 for kids 6-12 & seniors, \$6 for kids age 1-5, or \$30 for a family of 4 plus \$6 for each additional person.

This is a fun way to kick off the Gladstone Easter Egg Hunt. Come together as a community and catch up with your friends and neighbors. You just might win some amazing raffle prizes!

The City of Gladstone and Clackamas Fire District 1

Our partnership is strong



City Administrator Jacquie Betz

In 2022 a historic decision was made to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for comprehensive fire protection and emergency medical services with Clackamas Fire District 1. This only happened with much discussion, passion, and concern over the community fire station and the history of the Gladstone Fire Department. As a result, we now have a Joint Oversight Committee composed of Councilor Greg Alexander, Councilor Mindy Garlington, Administrator Jacquie Betz, Clackamas Fire Chief Nick Browne, and Clackamas Fire Asst. Chief Brian Stewart, Fire Board Director Thomas Joseph, and Fire Board Director Thomas Syring. The Committee meets quarterly to discuss services provided, policy development, budget development, and financial aspects of the fire and emergency services agreement.

The Clackamas Fire District Board of Directors has referred a levy to the May 2023 ballot. Because the City of Gladstone and Clackamas Fire District have a contract for services,



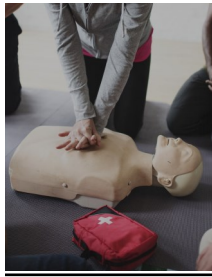
Clackamas Fire Chief Nick Browne

Gladstone residents will not vote on the levy, and current services will not be impacted.

If the levy is passed, the Emergency Services Levy will provide annual funding of \$14.5 million at \$.052 per thousand of assessed valuation in the District. If passed, the levy funds would invest in additional staffing, quick response vehicles, and wildfire mitigation efforts. If the levy does not pass, funds will not be invested.

The agreement with Clackamas Fire District and the City of Gladstone terminates on July 1, 2023, and automatically renews for two consecutive two-year terms unless terminated by either party. Additionally, the City has a fire levy of \$0.31 per \$1,000 assessed value, valid through 2024. These funds go towards paying for the current fire services. The fire levy was approved in 1999 and has been re-approved every five years since its inception. The City's goal is to provide the best and most affordable fire, rescue, and emergency medical response services to the citizens of Gladstone. The Gladstone City Council and Administration will discuss the fire levy renewal in June this year.

Hands Only CPR Training



The Gladstone Senior Center is opening their doors to the community for FREE hands-on CPR Training!
 Visit the Gladstone Senior Center (1050 Portland Avenue) on April 26th at 6:00 pm for a free hands-on CPR class, put on by the American Red Cross.
 If you have any questions, please contact the Gladstone Senior Center at 503-655-7701.

Drug Take-Back, Shred-it, and E-Recycling Day

On Saturday May 13th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Gladstone Civic Center, 18505 Portland Ave, the Gladstone Police and the Kraxberger Gearheads Robotics Club are hosting the annual Drug Take-Back, Shred-it, and E-Recycling Day.



Drug Take-Back Day is an opportunity to prevent drug addiction and overdose deaths by providing a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs.

Things we accept: All Pills (prescription/over-the-counter), Patches or Ointments. We cannot accept liquids, needles, sharps or vitamins.

We will also have shredding services provided on-site to help with the secure destruction of



personal information. We are again partnering with the Kraxberger Middle School Robotics Club to provide electronics recycling, all in one convenient location.



Community Litter Pickup Program

Spring is here! Gladstone Public Works is happy to offer volunteers with cleanup kits for those who want to help beautify our community. Kits will include 1 trash picker, gloves and trash bags.

Contact Public Works for your kit today!

Address: 18595 Portland Ave.

Phone: (503) 656-7957

Email: pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us



Low-Income Housing Water Assistance (LIHWA) Program

Gladstone residents are eligible based on the following income guidelines:

Income Guidelines

60% of State Median Income by Household Size

For Use in Federal Fiscal Year 2023

Estimated State Median by Household Size-Source HHS

Household Unit Size	Annual Gross Income*	Monthly Gross Income*
1	\$31,266	\$2,605.50
2	\$40,886	\$3,407.17
3	\$50,506	\$4,208.83
4	\$60,126	\$5,010.50
5	\$69,747	\$5,812.25
6	\$79,367	\$6,613.92
7	\$81,171	\$6,764.25
8	\$82,974	\$6,914.50
9	\$84,778	\$7,064.83
10	\$86,582	\$7,215.17
11	\$88,386	\$7,365.50
12	\$90,189	\$7,515.75
Each Additional Member	\$1,803	\$150.25

* Gross income means all household income before any deductions

Clackamas County administers the program for the City of Gladstone

Interested parties must call (503) 650-5640 and leave contact information – will receive call back within three business days from the County with application information

Funding is available for City of Gladstone utility billing assistance for both regular and crisis payments

Program is currently funded through September 30, 2023, or until allocated funds are fully expended

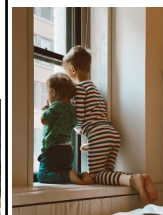
Clackamas County will pay the City of Gladstone directly for approved assistance payments

Meldrum Bar Parking Kiosk

Below you will find the net profit (loss) since installation of the parking kiosk in June 2021.

	FY 21/22	FY 22/23
Revenues:		
July	27,682.00	15,747.00
August	16,611.00	14,525.00
September	9,736.00	8,383.00
October	5,894.00	4,963.00
November	2,179.00	1,525.00
December	1,799.00	1,718.00
January	6,018.00	4,921.00
February	5,359.00	
March	7,373.00	
April	11,072.00	
May	11,380.00	
June	9,909.00	
	115,012.00	51,782.00
Expenditures:		
Contractual Services	3,488.38	1,312.70
Credit card fees	4,998.08	2,366.19
Operations & Maintenance	9,656.14	622.60
Purchase & install kiosk	5,422.50	—
Year to date	23,565.10	4,301.49
Net Profit (Loss)	91,446.90	47,480.51
Cumulative Balance	20,895.82	68,376.33

April is Window Fall Prevention Month



You can protect your child from falling from a window. Window falls are predictable, therefore preventable. We need your help to reduce the risk of injury to children. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, about 12 children under the age of 10 years old die each year, and more than 4,000 are treated in hospital emergency rooms for window fall-related injuries.

The Window Safety Task Force offers these suggestions to help protect children:

- Teach children to play away from windows
- Teach caregivers and children that screens keep bugs out, but they don't keep children in
- For any windows that are six feet or higher from the ground, install window stops or guards, limiting open windows to no more than four inches
- Keep windows closed and locked when not in use
- Keep furniture or anything a child can climb on away from windows
- Always supervise children and ask about window safety when your child visits other homes
- Lessen the potential impact of injury from a fall through strategic landscaping – use wood chips, grass, or shrubs beneath windows

For more information on window stops or guards, and how to install them, visit: www.stopat4.com. The safety stores located at Randall Children's Hospital and Doernbecher Children's Hospital carry safety devices for windows as well.

Public Records, Permits, Planning

- Find the Public Records Request form by visiting: www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/community-application-forms
- Do you have a question about fence height, setbacks, zoning, traffic or park regulations? Questions may be answered by viewing the Gladstone Municipal Code at www.codepublishing.com/OR/Gladstone/.
- Building permits are done through Clackamas County, including plumbing, electrical, grading, etc. Most questions may be answered by visiting www.clackamas.us/building/.
- Gladstone planning services are provided by 3J Consulting. More information can be found at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/publicworks/page/planning-building-development-information

City of Gladstone Street Sweeping Schedule

The Public Works Department will be continuing a “Monthly Street Sweeping Schedule”. This schedule will follow the same “area/zone map” as utilized for the Leaf Pick-Up Program. The first Monday of every month the street sweeper will run consecutively for eight business days, completing one area per day until the entire City is completed. The schedule takes into consideration garbage pickup days, as to not interfere with garbage pick-up. In the event your scheduled day falls on a holiday, the schedule will be delayed by one (1) day.

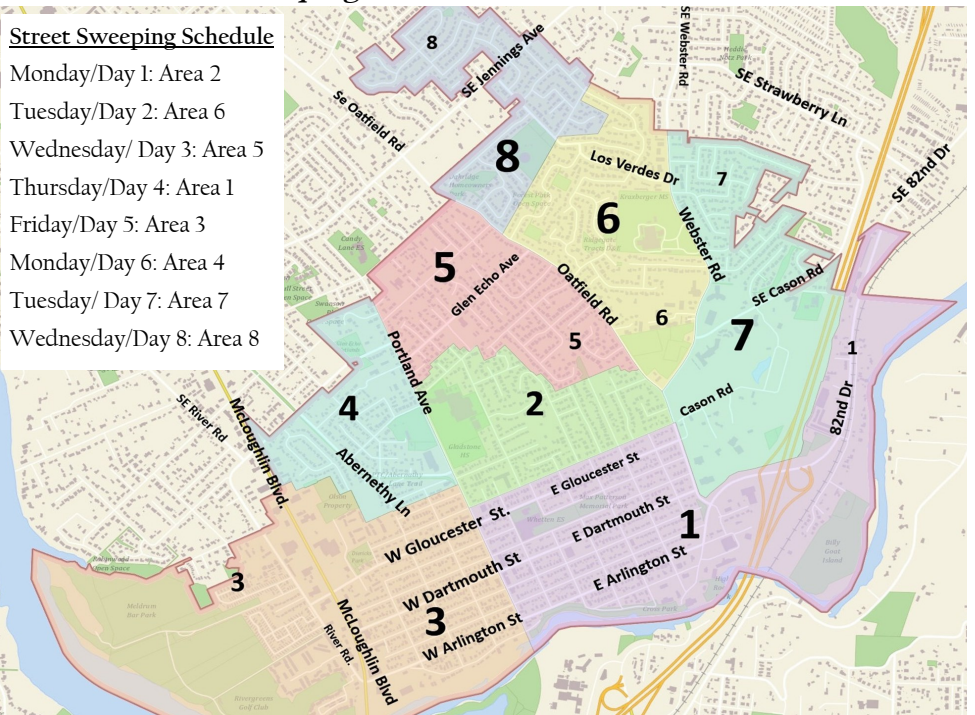
If you have questions, please contact the Public Works Office at 503-656-7957.



Sweeping schedule begins on the 1st Monday of each month.

Street Sweeping Schedule

- Monday/Day 1: Area 2
- Tuesday/Day 2: Area 6
- Wednesday/Day 3: Area 5
- Thursday/Day 4: Area 1
- Friday/Day 5: Area 3
- Monday/Day 6: Area 4
- Tuesday/Day 7: Area 7
- Wednesday/Day 8: Area 8



Water Meters



The City of Gladstone Public Works Department wishes to remind residents that water meters need to be kept clear and accessible from obstruction at all times.

It is important to remember that your water meter, though on your property, remains the property of the City of Gladstone. Public Works staff may need to access your water meter for repairs, maintenance, turning water off and on as well as replacement, if necessary.

As property owners there are several things you can do to ensure city employees are able to access your water meter:

- Keep surrounding plants trimmed; the meter area should be kept clear of shrubbery, ornamental trees, and low growing bushes.
- Do not bury your meter.
- Be sure not to place anything on top of or covering the meter (lawn ornaments, rocks, weeds etc.)
- Ensure that landscaping such as paving, fencing and decking are not covering the meter.
- Avoid parking vehicles and trailers over the meter, if possible.

If you have any questions or concerns about your water meter, call the Public Works Department at (503)656-7957 or send an email to pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Utility Bill Drop Box

Did you know you can drop off your monthly utility bills, including: PGE, Northwest Natural Gas, Gladstone Water/Sewer/Stormwater and Gladstone Disposal at the Senior Center? No stamps needed! A drop box is located inside the main entry door as well as a 24/7 green drop-box located outside the main entrance.

VOLUNTEERS Gladstone Needs YOU!

The City has six (6) active boards, commissions and committees that are composed of volunteers. Recruitment is underway for 3 open positions to be filled at the April 11, 2023 City Council meeting.

Vacancies can be found on the following boards, commissions and committees: 1 Park & Recreation Advisory Board position; 1 Traffic Safety Advisory Board position; 1 Audit Committee position.

Visit the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/bc, email bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us, or stop by City Hall at 18505 Portland Avenue to obtain an application. Applications must be returned by 5:00 pm on April 4, 2023.

Reporting Potholes



Have you been noticing potholes around our area? Springtime brings warmer weather but it also weakened roadways. Gladstone relies heavily on citizen involvement to keep streets safe and Potholes can be easily reported!

Send Public Works an email at pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us or call (503)656-7957.

When reporting potholes, please notify the city with the following information:

- Street location, address, or the nearest cross street or block address.
- Your name, phone number, and email address. Your phone number helps us should we need to contact you for additional information.

Neighbor Law

The City receives requests from residents about issues between neighbors that the City doesn't regulate. These issues include requests to: place trash and recycling cans out of public view, to not feed stray cats that may attract unwanted pets to a neighbor's yard or place of business, to trim overhanging tree limbs; locate property lines, move fences, etc. Many of these legal issues were settled years ago and resolution of current issues between neighbors are now typically settled by mediation instead of being litigated in court. For additional information on neighbor law, you may check out "Neighbor Law: Fences, Trees, Boundaries and Noise", by Cora Johnson at the Gladstone Library.

You Can't Burn That in Gladstone

As we enter the time of the year when residents begin to venture out of their homes to maintain their yards as the long winter yields to spring and the Oregon sunshine starts to shine, please remember burning of any type of yard debris is **NOT permitted in the City of Gladstone.**

All yard debris should be composted or placed in your brown yard debris can provided by the garbage hauler.

Over the years, there has been a number of inquiries concerning outdoor burning. Because Gladstone is within the Metro – DEQ no burn area, outdoor burning is generally **not allowed.** While general outdoor burning is prohibited in the city limits, there are provisions that allow for small recreational or cooking fires.

Recreational fires are fires that are small and contained to a commercial patio pot, burn pit or stove. Fuels used in these situations are **restricted to clean seasoned firewood.**



Under **NO** circumstances does recreational fire guidelines allow the burning of garbage, grass, leaves, twigs, yard debris, plastics, tires, petroleum products, construction debris or any other product that release offensive smoke or odors into the surrounding area.

For more information on DEQ's Outdoor and Open Burning rules, please visit www.oregon.gov/deq/aq/pages/burning.aspx

City of Gladstone—Senior Center
1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027

GLADSTONE SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Some happenings in the center, of late: The sweetest march through by Gladstone Preschool, singing songs of LOVE; our New Crochet Club is a hit on Mondays at 10a, and led by Sarah Heman and Josie Whitaker; Canasta Club is taking off on Thursdays at 1pm—just walk-in;

Did you know you don't need to call ahead to join in our popular chair Yoga class on Tues/Thurs at 10:30a? Nope. Just stop in!

Thanks to Springtime April, our Garden Club is back with a roar—lots of opportunities to help us plant seeds, perennials and plan seasonal garden activities...call or come in and see us. Look at the beautiful community that are part of your center.



SAVE the DATE: FOUNDERS DAY for the center:
Celebrating 42 years as a community center in
Gladstone!

Tuesday, June 6th 3pm-7pm—Live concert in the
Legacy Garden

Ask for Deanna —YES, we have rental spaces for your events! 503-655-7701

FREE TAI CHI CLASSES by Gary—Held every Monday and Wednesday mornings. Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced. 9am, 10a and 11am. Call the center to get details 503-655-7701

NEW! Luncheon Librarian: *the new Gladstone Library*

Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone OR 97027
(503) 655-7701

Thursday, April 6th 2023 from 12:00-1:00 pm

Library representatives are partnering with the Gladstone Senior Center on first Thursday, to

present various library-related topics. This month we'll discuss **THE NEW GLADSTONE LIBRARY PLANS**. Gladstone Senior Center lunch donation is \$4 for ages 60 and over, or \$5 for ages 59 and under (all ages welcome).

April 2023

We are Open

Monday through Friday

8:00am to 4:00 pm

(503) 655-7701

www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc

- ◇ A Humana Rep, will be here to discuss Medicare options on April 6th @ 12p
 - ◇ AARP Clinic is fully book—no more waitlist appts for 2023
 - ◇ Grocery Shopping trips on Wednesdays—sign up
 - ◇ Gladstone COMMUNITY BINGO NIGHTS; Friday, April 21st, 2023 (doors open at 5pm)
- Open to the general public.
Developed and Run by
Gladstone Rotary.
Food, Bingo, and Brew.
Every 3rd Friday evening



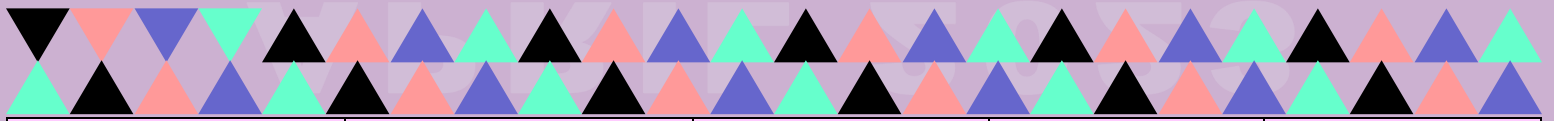
The Gladstone Seniors Foundation is the non-profit fundraising arm of the Gladstone Senior Center

THE PERFECT WAY TO SUPPORT THE CENTER—Leave a LEGACY STONE!

This year our major fundraising drive is for Beautification of the Portland Ave. side of the Center. We have enlarged the patio with beautiful decorative pavers. The new patio includes cedar fencing, landscaping, better lighting and picnic tables accessible to any ability. We will continue these efforts throughout 2023.

For any \$100 donation, you may engrave your own paver. To donate, 503.655.7701

APRIL 2023



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	LUNCH Spanish Chicken Rice Bake 4	LUNCH Cheese Omelet 5	LUNCH Chicken Pasta 6	7
Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Crochet Club 10-11 Arts & Crafts 10-12 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble + Cribbage Clubs 12:45 LIVE MUSIC @ Lunch	Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 GEMS & DIAMONDS 10:30-11:30 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 GROCERY SHOPPING—Must RSVP	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Lunch + Learn: All you want to know about the NEW LIBRARY 12:00p–1pm presentation Rummikub, Canasta, Cribbage Clubs 12:45 until close HOW TO USE Technology (3pm– 4pm) get help with your phones, Computers, etc.	REMINDER AARP— Safe Driving Class please call the center for registration SATURDAY, April 8th
10	LUNCH Turkey & Sweet Potatoes 11	LUNCH Country Fried Steak 12	LUNCH Pasta Primavera 13	14
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17	LUNCH Turkey Meatballs 18	LUNCH Fish Sandwich 19	LUNCH Shoyu Chicken 20	21
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24	LUNCH Beef Rigatoni Bake 25	LUNCH Saulsberry Steak 26	LUNCH Lasagna Rollup 27	28
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Community School Classes

Thru partnership with the Community School the Senior Center hosts

YOGA 3x/wk * PAINTING 2x/wk * ZUMBA GOLD is every Monday and Wednesday at 9am; at the center

Sign up at www.gladstone.k12.or.us

Or call for fees/schedule 503-650-2570

FEE FOR THESE CLASSES

DID YOU KNOW?

Would you like to get involved? We offer volunteer opportunities, outreach, and community involvement. We also have rentals spaces available. Please stop by and see us or call 503-655-7701

Free Classes and Activities

The Gladstone Senior Center offers daily free classes and activities.
Crocheting Group on Mondays at 10a, Free Tai Chi classes on Mon/Weds * Chair Exercise on Tues/Thurs * Walking Groups * Arts & Crafts * Bingo * Scrabble * Rummikub * Cribbage * Canasta on Thurs
Grocery Trips/ Adventure Trips every week.

Gladstone City Newsletter

The City of Gladstone newsletter is a great way to share upcoming community events with the residents of Gladstone.

Articles regarding community events can be submitted to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us on or before the 18th of each month to appear in the following month's newsletter.

Article guidelines can be found at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/city-newsletter

Free Clothes for Babies, Kids, and Teens

The Gladstone Kids Clothes Closet provides free, gently-used clothing, shoes, & jackets for youths from birth to 18. All are welcome.

Hours: Saturdays, 10 to noon

Location: Off Nelson Lane on the north side of the Gladstone High campus

Contact: Becky Speulda at bbspeulda@yahoo.com.

Volunteers needed! A team of 3 is needed to volunteer 2 hours one Saturday per month.

Donation drop-off: Saturdays 10-noon -We only accept clothes for babies/kids/teens. [Please take adult clothing and all other items to a different charity.]



Gladstone Nature Park



Trail Work continues at the Gladstone Nature Park with David M & Gladstone High School key Club Volunteers.

Join other volunteer opportunities the last Saturday of each month 9-noon; gloves, donuts and friendly faces supplied.

Register Now for Fall Kindergarten

If your child will be five by September 1, it's time to register for fall kindergarten. Register online at www.gladstonekids.com/Kinders For information call Heidi Smith at 503-496-3939.

Beyond reading, writing, and math, each Gladstone kindergarten student also has weekly music, physical education, Discovery, art, and technology instruction. An extended day program offers onsite childcare before and after school.

Kindergarten classes are at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families [GCCF]. The spacious and secure classrooms, playgrounds, and facilities are specially designed for the district's youngest learners. Preschools and many family services are located there, too. The Gladstone district welcomes transfers from other districts.



Save the dates for our Connect to Kindergarten orientation sessions on April 24 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.; on May 9 at 4:30 and 6 p.m.; or May 24 at 4:30 and 6 p.m. You must be fully registered to attend.

Get Social

Connect with the City of Gladstone on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and Nextdoor Gladstone. Stay up-to-date with all the latest news and events happening around you.



One Text or Call Could Wreck It All



Unfortunately, distracted driving is not a passing fad. It has become a trend with deadly and real consequences.

For anyone who thinks they can talk on their phone, text, apply make-up, or do any other distracting activity while driving, it's time for a crash course in reality from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA):

- In 2014, 3,179 people were killed and approximately 431,000 were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver.
- Drivers who use hand-held devices are four times as likely to be involved in a serious crash.
- The percentage of drivers text-messaging or visibly manipulating handheld devices increased from 1.7 percent in 2013 to 2.2 percent in 2014. Since 2007, young drivers (age 16 to 24) have been observed manipulating electronic devices at higher rates than older drivers.
- Ten percent of all drivers 15 to 19 years old involved in fatal crashes were reported as distracted at the time of the crashes. This age group has the largest proportion of drivers who were distracted at the time of the crashes.

While those numbers may sound like just statistics, they're anything but. They could be parents, children, neighbors and friends from right here in our community. There are too many sad tales of deaths and injuries that could have been prevented had drivers been paying attention to the road instead of someone or something else.

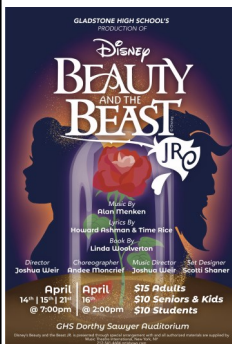
So, why do so many people participate in this dangerous behavior? With more technology now than ever, driver distractions have risen to unprecedented levels. We live in a world where people expect instant, real-time information 24 hours a day/7 days a week, and those expectations don't stop just because someone gets behind the wheel. Drivers still do not realize – or choose to ignore – the danger they create when they take their eyes off the road, their hands off the wheel, and their focus off driving.

People often say, "I can do two things at once", "I've memorized where the numbers are on my phone, so I don't have to look" or, "Sending or reading one text is pretty quick – that should be okay." They couldn't be more wrong.

For those who think they can do two things at once, think about this: According to a 2014 special article in the New England Journal of Medicine, the risk of a crash or near-crash among novice drivers increased with the performance of many secondary tasks, including texting and dialing cell phones. Driving is an activity that requires your full attention and focus in order to keep yourself and others safe.

Yes, this is a national problem, but it also affects us right here. No one is immune from the dangers of distracted driving. So please remember: One text or call could wreck it all.

Be Our Guest!



Come see Gladstone High School's production of Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* April 14th, 15th, 16th and 21st in the Dorothy Sawyer Auditorium.

To reserve your seats ahead of time, order tickets at www.showtix4u.com. Enter "Gladstone" in the Find An Organization search area. Pick "Disney's Beauty & the Beast" and follow instructions from there.

If you have any questions, please contact Scotti Shaner at shaners@gladstone.k12.or.us or 503-655-2544.

Drop Off Unwanted Prescriptions at the Gladstone Civic Center



Flushing drugs down the toilet or putting them into the garbage may have damaging effects on our environment and can contaminate our surface and groundwater supplies. Both drinking and wastewater treatment plants are not designed to treat for these kinds of chemicals. Drop off your old, expired or unwanted prescriptions at the Gladstone Civic Center, located at 18505 Portland Ave., in the blue drug return receptacle, located near the Portland Ave entrance, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm*. No paperwork or fee required! *Excluding holidays. **Items that are not accepted include:** herbal remedies, vitamins, supplements, cosmetics, other personal care products, medical devices, batteries, mercury-containing thermometers, sharps, illicit drugs, pet pesticide products, animal medicines, and biologics.

ACCEPTED: Medication in any dosage form, except for those identified as NOT ACCEPTED below, in their original container or sealed bag.

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Gladstone Arbor Day Plant Sale Returns



Join the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park (FOGNAP) for their fifth annual Gladstone Arbor Day Plant Sale in the Gladstone Nature Park, Saturday, April 22, from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

There's something for everyone at this year's sale. We have perennials that add color to your yard, along with Oregon native plants that attract pollinators. The Clackamas County Library will be on hand with their Seeds for Sharing, and the Gladstone Library Foundation will offer vegetable starts for your garden and a food barrel will be on hand to collect canned food for Gladstone's local Food Bank. Back by popular demand is yard art by local metal artist Ali Miller. New this year is the Clackamas County Beekeepers Association, bringing local honey. And our favorite Kraxberger Gearhead Robotics Team will whisk away your retired electronics. The Gladstone Nature Park is located at 18111 Webster Road in Gladstone. Parking is available on nearby Cason Road at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints parking lot. Cash, Visa, and Master Cards are accepted.

For more information, go to GladstoneNaturePark.org or email FriendsOfGladstoneNature@gmail.com.

The sale benefits the continued restoration of the Gladstone Nature Park.

Gladstone Education Foundation Seeks Auction Donations

The Gladstone Education Foundation [GEF] is seeking donations for their May online auction to raise funds for school and youth programs across our community.



Items could include gift baskets, vacation home use, art work, gift cards, sports/concert/theater tickets, services, jewelry, excursions, tickets to local museums/attractions, hand crafted items, tech devices, private tours, recreational items, and unique experiences.

If you family or business would like to contribute an auction item, please contact GEF Executive Director Tammy Tracy at tracyt@gladstone.k12.or.us

Gladstone Food Pantry provides free groceries

Families can choose free groceries at the Gladstone Food Pantry each Thursday from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The pantry is at 6460



Glen Echo, behind Hillside Fellowship. All residents of Gladstone, Jennings Lodge, and Oak Grove are welcome.

The pantry provides meat, fresh produce, frozen food, canned food, and products from Bob's Red Mill and Dave's Killer Bread. Pet food, too! For information or to volunteer, contact Food Pantry Manager Alex Van Pelt at 503.737.5283 or email avanpelt@nwfs.org.

Life at Night Bingo put on by the Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary

The Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary would like to thank all the wonderful people who have attended BINGO nights at the Senior Center. We hope you not only had a good time, but also won. Next event is April 21st. Ticket sales start at 4:30, doors open at 4:50 and bingo starts at 5:30. This month support will go to the Gladstone Library Foundation. Last month 25% additional seats were added and included higher payouts. The place was full and a good time was had by all. Come help support the Library, the Rotary and its many causes and have a great time! Many people have not been to the Center, so come by, see part of the city you may have not visited and support a great cause! Again, thank you for your support and hope to see you there for fun, food and drink!

Contact Bob Everett at bingo@gladstoneoaklodge Rotary.org for any questions.

Report a Streetlight Problem



Know of a streetlight that's out, flickering or on all day? Tag the pole with florescent tape (available at Gladstone Public Works, 18595 Portland Ave), make note of nearest address, cross street, map number & pole number (map and pole numbers are found on the pole tag- 3-inch round or oval metal tag located at eye level on the pole) and contact PGE at 503-612-4685 or email lightout@pgn.com.

Kiwanis Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser



You are invited to the Kiwanis Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser!

When: Sunday, May 7, 2023 from 4:00-6:30 pm*

Where: Gladstone Adventist Church, 8378 Cason Rd., Gladstone

RSVP at 503-819-8367

\$15 per person, \$12 for children 6-12 years old, children 5 and under FREE

All proceeds go to Gladstone High School Scholarship Program.

*Programing will begin at 5:00 pm.

Local Telephone Numbers

- City Hall General Business Line503-656-5225
- Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info ...503-557-2771
- Municipal Court/Traffic Citations503-557-2772
- Public Works503-656-7957
- Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm503-557-2797
- Clackamas Fire District #1503-742-2600
- Library503-655-8540
- Senior Center503-655-7701
- Recreation/Business License503-557-2766
- Planning503-946-9365 x206
- Electrical/Plumbing Permits503-742-4240
- Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance ..503-557-2763
- Clackamas County Dog Services503-655-8628
- Gladstone School District503-655-2777
- Gladstone High School503-655-2544
- Kraxberger Middle School503-655-3636
- John Wetten Elementary School503-656-6564
- Gladstone Disposal Company503-656-9426
- Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV)503-299-9999
- Portland General Electric503-228-6322
- Northwest Natural Gas503-226-4211
- Comcast Cable1-800-934-6489
- Century Link1-866-642-0444
- Non-Emergency Dispatch503-655-8211

(option 1 for police or fire calls)

Gladstone High School WINTER Home Game Schedule - April 2023

DATE	TEAM	GAMES
3-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs Lebanon at 5:00 pm *This is an Endowment Game - Admission Charged*
6-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs Astoria at 4:30 pm
7-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs North Marion at 4:30 pm
10-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs Crook County at 4:30 pm
12-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs Crook County at 5:00 pm (at GHS)
	JV Baseball	vs Crook County at 5:00 pm (at Kraxberger)
	Track & Field	vs Estacada & The Dalles at 4:00 pm
14-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs The Dalles at 5:00 pm (at GHS)
	JV Baseball	vs The Dalles at 5:00 pm (at Kraxberger)
15-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs St Helens at 1:00 pm
17-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs The Dalles at 4:30 pm
19-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs Estacada at 5:00 pm (at GHS)
	JV Baseball	vs Estacada at 5:00 pm (at Kraxberger)
20-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs Estacada at 4:30 pm
24-Apr	Varsity Softball	vs Molalla at 4:30 pm
26-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs Molalla at 4:30 pm (at GHS)
	JV Baseball	vs Molalla at 4:30 pm (at Kraxberger)
27-Apr	Varsity Baseball	vs Madras at 4:30 pm (at GHS)
	JV Baseball	vs Madras at 4:30 pm (at Kraxberger)

NO Tobacco or Alcohol use on any Gladstone School District property at any time. ALL humans who are not old enough to attend high school MUST BE ACCOMPANIED AND SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES.

The spring sports schedule is as unpredictable as the spring weather. Changes may occur. To have the most up to date schedule information (including our away events, track & field meets, and golf matches), visit our school calendar on our website <http://gladstone.k12.or.us/high/>.

All games/meets/events listed here may charge admission: price and form of payment varies.

Mon., Fri., Sat., and Sun.: 10 am – 6 pm
 Tues. and Thurs.: 12 noon – 8 pm
 Wed.: 10 am – 8 pm

• **All-Ages Storytime:** Every Monday and Wednesday from 10:15-10:45 am. Enjoy your favorite storytime books, songs, and games with Teacher Heather at the library!

• **Luncheon Librarian:** Gladstone's New Library: Thursday, April 6th from 12:00-1:00 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Avenue. Library representatives are partnering with the Gladstone Senior Center to present various library-related topics. This month we will discuss the plans for Gladstone's new library building. Gladstone Senior Center lunch donation is \$4 for ages 60 and over, or \$5 for ages 59 and under (all ages welcome).

• **Hora de Cuentos en Español - Spanish Story & Play Time.** Saturday, April 8th from 10:30-11:00 am. ¡Acompáñenos el segundo sábado de cada mes a una hora de cuentos y juegos en ESPAÑOL con Portland Early Learning. ¡Gratis y divertido para todas las edades! Join us on second Saturdays for Spanish Story & Play Time with Portland Early Learning. Free and fun for all ages!



• **Kid Craft: Take & Make Craft Kits - Foam Cup Froggy:** Sunday, April 9th (and while supplies last!). Take-home craft kits for kids appear on the second Sunday of each month and are available to pick up at the Gladstone Public

Library. Most supplies and instructions are included. Pick up your kit—April 9th!

• **Gardening: Guide to Summer Planting:** Thursday, April 13th from 6:30-7:30 pm. Join local garden experts Kay Everts and Arthur Moore to learn how to plan and plant your summer harvest! Be sure to visit our Seeds for Sharing seed library while you're here!

• **Rock Readers Mystery Book Club:** Tuesday, April 18th at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a discussion of "A Shot in the Dark" by Lynne Truss. Ask for your copy at library's front desk, then join the group to talk about it (staff can provide virtual or in-person meeting information on the day before).

• **Clackamas County Library Advisory Board (Virtual Meeting):** Thursday, April 20th at 5:30 pm. Your Clackamas County Library Advisory Board meets at 5:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month. Meetings are open to the public; visit clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings for more information.

• **Music: Steve Johnson's Blues, Americana, and Beyond:** Tuesday, April 25th at 6:30 pm. Local musician Steve Johnson will bring an eclectic blend of acoustic blues, Americana, and original songs rooted in the styles he has learned through the decades. Don't miss this concert! Free and fun for all ages.

• **Adult Craft: Beginner Bookbinding:** Saturday, April 29th from 2-4 pm. Learn basic bookbinding techniques with Jenna Lechner by creating small notebooks, with tips and

tricks regarding paper, folding, what thread to use, and several bookbinding stitches. All supplies provided. Registration is required, and opens April 8th (three weeks before the class). Call 503-655-8540 to register. Adults only (age 18+), please.



Other Library Updates and Information

• Kids visiting the library's booth during the Gladstone Arbor Day Plant Sale at the Gladstone Nature Park between 9 am and 2 pm on Saturday, April 22nd will find free seeds, books, and crafts – we can't wait to see you there!

• **Food for Fines:** Get \$1 off overdue fines for each non-perishable food item donated at the Gladstone Public Library during National Library Week, April 23rd-29th. Not valid on charges for lost or damaged library items. Please, no damaged or expired items. Donations benefit the Gladstone Food Pantry!

• **StoryWalk®** at the Gladstone Nature Park features the English/Spanish "Book Fiesta" by Pat Mora. Take a stroll, read the pages, and perform fun activities along the way! Presented in partnership with the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park and the Gladstone Public Library Foundation.

• The Gladstone Public Library Foundation's Twice Sold Tales bookstore is open, and donations of books and media are being accepted (limit ONE bag/box per visit).

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<p>City Meetings:</p> <p>*City Council- 2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) - 6:30 pm—Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom</p> <p>*Planning Commission- 3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom</p> <p>*Traffic Safety- 4th Monday every other month (as needed) - 6:00 pm—Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom</p> <p>*Park & Recreation- 2nd Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm, currently being held on Zoom</p> <p>*Senior Center Advisory- held monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 3:30 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center., 1050 Portland Avenue.</p>	<p>Copies of all City meeting packets and agendas can be found on the City's website at: www.ci.gladstone.or.us</p> <p>Local Meetings:</p> <p>*Friends of Gladstone Nature Park- Meets the last Saturday of the month from 9:00 am-12:00 pm at 18111 Webster Rd, Gladstone. Visit gladstonenaturepark.org or email friendsofgladstonenature@gmail.com for more information.</p> <p>*Gladstone Historical Society- Meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Gladstone Civic Center Community Room. For more information, visit www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org or email gladstonehistoricalsociety@gmail.com</p>

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates



Spring flowers are in bloom and gardens are ready for planting. Our annual plant sale is on April 22nd at the Arbor Day celebration at Gladstone's Nature Park on April 22nd. You won't want to miss this event.

We're volunteering at Gladstone-Oak Lodge Rotary's Bingo night held at the Senior Center on April 21st, 5:30-8:30 pm. Food, Drink and fun – and half of the proceeds from card sales will be donated to our foundation.

Please visit our Twice Sold Sales in the library reading room. We're accepting newer gently used books and media. Limit your donation to one bag per visit.

If you haven't already, go to: <https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community-rewards>, then select Gladstone Public Library Foundation.

Donations may be made to: Gladstone Public Library Foundation, 135 E. Dartmouth, Gladstone, OR 97027, or our website: <https://gpl-foundation.org>. Every penny earned and/or donated, go to support our library.

If you have any questions about our foundation or interested in becoming a member, email us at GPLF.contactus@gmail.com. Thanks again for your continued support.

Books and Minds only work when they're open - James Dewar

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.