

## GLADSTONE **CITY NEWSLETTER**

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## Swearing In Ceremony for the Mayor and City Councilors

A swearing-in ceremony for City officials elected during the November 8, 2022 election was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023, in the City of Gladstone Council Chambers, 18505 Portland Avenue in Gladstone.

The four officeholders who were elected this past year attended to take the oath of office by the Honorable Amy Lindgren, Presiding Judge of the City of Gladstone.





Mayor Michael Milch

Councilor Vanessa Huckaby

Councilor Veronica Reichle **Councilor Luke Roberts** 

## Take Time to Volunteer in Gladstone by City Administrator Jacque M. Betz



Volunteering in your community can provide surprising benefits: help you connect with others, is good for your mind and body, and can bring a sense of fun and fulfillment in your life. It is a service to your community and nothing is completed by one person

alone, which means we need you to assist us with the enhancements in our community. The City Council makes appointments to advisory commissions, boards and committees where we need volunteers to help. Gladstone has made amazing progress the past few years and with a new City Council in place, it is a wonderful time to be involved in our community.

Below is a list of positions that are vacant:

## Budget Committee – 5 vacant terms

Park & Rec Advisory Board - 3 vacant terms Traffic Safety Advisory Board - 2 vacant positions

## Audit Committee – I vacant position

If you wish to be considered for appointment to one of these committees, please complete an application which can be downloaded from the city's website at https:// www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/community/ application-forms and return to Tami Bannick, 18505 Portland Ave, Gladstone, OR 97027 or bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us by February 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm The City Council will make appointments at the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The City sincerely appreciates your time and commitment for volunteering on these important committees.



January 1, 2023.

You will notice the following increase on the utility bill: Water If you would like more information on how the rate increase will Base Rate increased \$1.20 -from \$30.01 to \$31.21. Water Block rates affect your monthly bill, please visit the City's website at increased as follows: 1-6 units of water: \$0.07 per unit (from \$1.66 to www.ci.gladstone.or.us/publicworks/page/utility-rate-increase-\$1.73 per unit); 7-10 units of water: \$0.11 per unit (from \$2.64 to \$2.75 information for more information. If you have questions, please per unit); 11+ units of water: \$0.14 per unit (from \$3.62 to \$3.76 per contact our Utility Billing department at ub@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Upcoming City Meetings

The City of Gladstone is abiding by guidelines set forth in House Bill 2560, requiring the City to make all meetings accessible remotely for members of general public. Upcoming meetings are as follows:

• Park & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting- Mon. February 13th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center

• City Council- Tues., February 14th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.

• Senior Center Advisory Board- Tues., February 21st at 3:30 pm, Gladstone Senior Center.

• Planning Commission Meeting- Tues., February 21st at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.

• Clackamas County Library Advisory Board- Thurs. February 23rd at 5:30 pm via Zoom: <u>clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-</u> board#meetings

• Traffic Safety Advisory Board Meeting- Mon. February 27th at 6:00 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.

• City Council Work Session- Tues. February 28th at 5:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center

Visit https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings for more information on all City meetings..

## City Closures

City offices will be closed Monday, February 20th in observation of President's Day.

## **Resource for Winter Travel**



Travel information can save motorists the hassle of driving for miles only to find out a route is closed or congested. The Oregon Dept. of Transportation (ODOT) offers travel information on their website at www.tripcheck.com. The site offers camera im-

ages of mountain passes and other key locations throughout the state. Maps state road conditions and include information about weather, road maintenance work and traffic incidents. Travelers in Oregon may also dial 5-1-1 or call toll free at 800-977-ODOT (6368) to access Trip-Check road and weather information by phone.

## City Council Adopts Utility Rate Increases

At the December 13, 2022 City Council Meeting, City Council unit). Sewer collection increased \$1.34 from \$33.55 to \$34.89. adopted a utility increase of 4% on all Gladstone utilities effective Stormwater increased \$.55 from \$13.73 to \$14.28. The total overall increase on a household using 6 units of water is \$3.51.

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.

## Gladstone City Newsletter

If you have a community event you would like to see in the upcoming Gladstone City Newsletter, please send it to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us. Articles are due on or before the 18th of each month to appear in the upcoming Newsletter.

#### Take the Pledge!

Clackamas River Water Providers are supporting the EPA's WaterSense "I'm for Water Pledge" and you can too! Join thousands in making a commitment to save water. Take the pledge and use the WaterSense 2023 monthly resolutions checklist (located at <u>www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2021-12/ws learn more 2022 resolution checklist.pdf</u>) to help you use less water (and spend less on your utility bills!) year round. By taking one or two simple steps each month, it's easy to do your part to protect our water for future generations.

## Winter is Here, Prevent Frozen Pipes

Winter is here, which means you have some maintenance to do around your home to prepare for the colder weather. Frozen pipes can burst and become one of the most expensive home disasters you can deal



with. The damages caused by frozen water pipes can be catastrophic. Just one burst pipe in a home running at 4-8 gallons a minute from a burst pipe can do tens of thousands of dollars' damage in a manner matter of minutes.

## Preventing Frozen Pipes: What to Do

• Allow a small trickle of cold water to run from your faucet. This will keep water moving in your pipes, preventing freezing.

• Open under-sink cabinet doors to keep warm room air circulating around pipes.

• Use a small fan to help circulate air under your cabinets

• External openings such as basement doors, windows and crawl spaces should be sealed with weather stripping, caulk and sealant.

• Insulate external and exposed pipes with pipe insulation.

Take the time before the first freeze of the season to drain out the sprinkler system. Disconnect, drain and store all hoses and exterior water spigot.

#### How to Thaw Frozen Pipes

If there is no water flowing from your faucets at all, you most likely have frozen or burst pipes. Many times, the exterior of the pipe will be frozen as well. If you know that you have a frozen pipe, take these measures to begin the thawing process.

• Turn off the "Main" water valve to the house, open a faucet to allow melted water to flow through. Open the lowest hot and cold faucets in your home, i.e, basement laundry tray. Be aware that if the water to your house is shut off, it may also turn off any fire protection system you may have.

• Wrap towels soaked in warm water around the pipes or purchase electric pipe warmers.

• DO NOT use any open flame or electric heater directly to the piping as this could cause electrocution.

## Should you be Collecting and Remitting a Transient Lodging Tax?

Are you renting your property for less than 30 days at a time? Is your property located in the Gladstone City limits? If so, as a homeowner you are responsible for purchasing a City of Gladstone Business License as well as collecting and remitting a Transient Lodging Tax.

For more information regarinding the City of Gladstone Business License Program, visit <u>www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/business-licenses</u>

For more information on Transient Lodging Taxes in the City of Gladstone, visit <u>www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/gladstone-implements-transient-lodging-tax</u>.

## Utility Bills

Monthly utility bills can be viewed, paid or set up for auto pay with a credit card without a processing fee by visiting <u>www.municipalonlinepay</u> <u>ments.com/gladstoneor</u>. You may also pay your bill by calling 866-721-1072. Residents may also sign up for auto pay by completing the form located on the city's website at: <u>www.ci. gladstone.or.us/finance/page/utility-billing</u>.

#### 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	
February	5,359.00	
March	7,373.00	
April	11,072.00	
May	11,380.00	
June	9,909.00	
	115,012.00	46,861.00
Expenditures:		
Contractual Services	3,488.38	1,312.70
Credit card fees	4,998.08	2,366.19
Operations &	0.656.14	622.60
Maintenance	9,656.14	022.00
Purchase & install kiosk	5,422.50	
Year to date	23,565.10	4,301.49
Net Profit (Loss)	91,446.90	42,559.51
Cumulative Balance	20,895.82	63,4553

## Street Light Out



Contact Portland General Electric (PGE) at 1-800-544-1795 (press "3") or email information, including address of streetlight outage, nearest cross street, pole and map number (on pole), if available, to lightout@pgn.com.

### Report, Support, Refer

Bias crimes and incidents affect entire communities. They make individuals feel unwelcome or unsafe. Reporting bias crimes and incidents provides support to victims of bias. Tracking bias crimes and incidents is required under Oregon laws.

ORS 147.380 requires all law enforcement officers assisting bias crime and bias incident victims to make a referral:

• To Qualifying Local Victim Services (see QR code)

• Call the Bias Hotline (1-844-924-2427).



 To report a bias crime or incident online go to: <u>StandAgainstHate.Oregon.gov</u>

## 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.



### City of Gladstone Street Sweeping Schedule

Street Sweeping Schedule

Monday/Day 1: Area 2

Tuesday/Day 2: Area 6

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

Wednesday/ Day 3: Area 5

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.

## Recycle Batteries With Your Weekly Recycling Collection

It's common to have spent batteries stashed in a drawer with the intention take them to a recycling drop-off someday. That someday can now be your weekly recycling collection day!

Simply tape the terminal ends of your rechargeable and button batteries and put the batteries in a 1-quart sealed plastic bag and place it in your glass recycling bin. Your garbage hauler will collect the bags and sell the batteries to a recycling company to become new batteries or other products like rubber, paint or ceramics.

Separating batteries reduces the risk of sparking a fire in a collection truck or at a transfer station as batteries rub against other batteries, metals or flammable materials. Although batteries have not been on the list of items that can be recycled, some people have placed them in recycling carts in hopes the material could be recycled, or thinking that batteries are made of metal and many items on the recycling list are metal. This practice is called "wishful recycling". While the intention is to recycle more, the result of "wishful recycling" makes recycling programs cost more and makes materials sent to recycling companies worth less. Materials placed in the recycling cart not meant to be recycled is called contamination. Recycling companies want the purest material possible to send to manufacturers to make new products. Contamination causes issues in their processes. It's important to recycle only what is on the list so our collective effort is successful. Review the recycle guide at https://www.clackamas.us/recycling/ recycleguide.html to make sure you are only recycling items in your weekly collection that manufacturers will actually use.

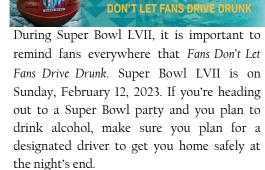
Have a question about other materials?

For more information, contact Metro Recycling Information Center: Call for your garbage and recycling questions at 503-234-3000.

Article can be found at: https://www.clackamas.us/news/2023-01-20/recycle-batteries-with-your weekly-recycling-collection?fbclid=IwAR0fBWGE R8vJt866hfdbaAEH5to8QIZ9smYBSu3Hl8W mle6kND8S9-f2Pw

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## Fans Don't Let Fans Drive Drunk



#### Be the DD MVP

If you're planning to be a designated driver, designated drivers. know that you're the night's MVP. Commit Ask your guests to designate their sober to a sober evening — people are relying on drivers in advance. Remind drinking guests you. If you are attending a party or are at a that they have a long evening ahead of them, Make a commitment today to refrain from bar or restaurant, enjoy the food, the and encourage them to pace themselves, eat drunk driving. For more information, visit

media someone you know has been drinking and death caused by the underage driver. tries to drive, take their keys and help them Only one team wins Super Bowl, but if you they'll thank you later.

## Host a Winning Party

company, and the nonalcoholic drinks. food, and drink plenty of water. Another www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drunk-driving.

#### Energy Assistance

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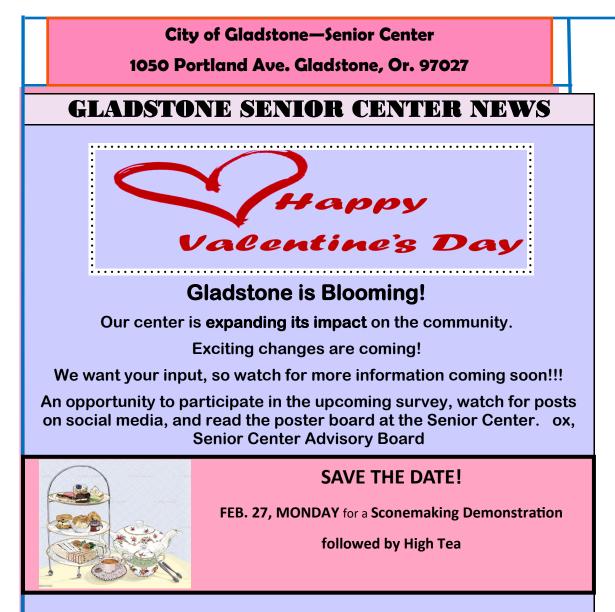
In addition to Clackamas County's usual funding sources, they have received a limited amount of CARES Act funding to address COVID-19 affected households. Their

priorities with this specific fund is to assist households that have lost their jobs or have had a reduction in income-in particular households within Clackamas County that have not yet received unemployment or experienced delays with their claims and households that have been quarantined. Eligibility is based on the total gross household income received by all adults age 18 and over living in the home at the time of the application. The Program Income Guidelines can be found on the County website at <u>https://www.clackamas.us/socialservices/</u> energy.html, COVID income eligibility guidelines can be found at https://dochub.clackamas.us/documents/ drupal/4942d8da-282d-4baf-b6f8-68d2f69b5b98.

Clackamas County is clearing and responding to phone messages and online requests in the order they are received and mailing out applications as funds allow. To request an application over the phone, call 503-650-5640, listen to the menu options and choose the one that is most appropriate for you. Be sure to leave all requested also visit information. You may https:// www.clackamas.us/socialservices/energyassistance to complete an online application form. The Clackamas County Team is working to respond as quickly as they can, ask for your patience as they focus on providing public service and keeping our community and staff safe.

Encourage other designated drivers on social important reminder: Never serve alcohol to by using the hashtag minors. If an underage person drinks and #DesignatedDriver. Your positive influence drives, the person who provided the alcohol could help keep them on the right track. If can be held liable for any damage, injury, or

get home safely. They may complain, but drive drunk, you lose. Everyone should know by now that it is illegal to drive impaired. In 2020, there were 11,654 people killed in drunk designated driver to get you home safely at If you're hosting a party for this year's Super -driving crashes. Drunk driving can have a Bowl, prepare plenty of snacks and range of consequences, including the nonalcoholic drinks for your guests and the possibility of causing a traumatic crash. These crashes could cause you, someone you love, or a total stranger to suffer serious injuries or even death.



## Friday Adventure Trips

<u>Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>:</u> Our adventure starts with a British lunch at the Horse Brass Pub. Afterwards we will go to the Oregon Rail Heritage Museum. Leave the SC at 11:00 and return by 2:30. Cost **\$10**.

**Feb 10<sup>th</sup>:** Try your luck at Spirit MT Casino. Leave the SC at 8:30 and return by 4:00. Cost **\$18. Feb 17<sup>th</sup>:** Let's explore the End of the OR Trail Interpretive Center followed by lunch at the Icehouse Restaurant in Oregon City. Cost is **\$10** with the printed Cultural Pass from the library or **\$23** without the pass. Leave the SC at 9:00 and return by 2:00.

<u>Tues Feb 21<sup>st</sup></u>: Following Bingo we will go to Regal Hilltop 9 Cinemas to see "80 For Brady". Leave the SC after 3:00. Cost **\$13** includes the ticket.

<u>Feb 24<sup>th</sup>:</u> We will be going to Troutdale to explore the Troutdale Train Depot Museum. Afterwards we will go to lunch TBD. Leave the SC at 9:00 and return by 2:00. Cost **\$13.** 

<u>Thurs Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>:</u> We will attend Lakewood Theatre's "Doubt A Parable." Leave the SC at 6:30. Cost **\$8.** <u>Mar 3<sup>rd</sup>:</u> Let's have a shopping adventure at the IKEA store. After you can have lunch in their restaurant. Leave the SC at 9 and return by 2. Cost **\$11** 

## We have rental space for your events! 503-655-7701

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

Gladstone Senior Center

## THE PERFECT GIFT FOR 2022—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, land-scaping, better lighting and picnic tables accessible to any ability. This has greatly improved the curb appeal, and encouraged better use of the space ie: family gatherings, birthday parties.

For any \$100 donations, you may have your <u>friend</u>, <u>loved one/family name engraved on</u> your paver. To donate please contact the Senior Center: 503.655.7701

FORMS ARE IN THE SENIOR CENTER. 1050 Portland Ave Gladstone, OR 97027





We are Open Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00 pm **CLOSED ON** 

Monday, Feb 20th– Presidents Day

(503) 655-7701 www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc



We are actively scheduling AARP Tax Prep appointments on THROUGH the AARP tax scheduling line—please call this number only:

503-483-5297





We continue to have bimonthly visits from John Wetten Elementary 5th graders, as well as a PenPal program between our homebound seniors and students. See the receptionist for adding your name to making a friendship with a student.



# February 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		1 LUNCH 11:30 Breaded Fish Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am ZUMBA Gold—9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginner 11 am-12 pm Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm	2 LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Rice Bake Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm	ADVENTURE TRIP –Horse Brass & Heritage Rail Museum Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm
6 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am Zumba 9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginning 11 am-12 pm Arts & Crafts 10 am NEW MEMIORS 12-2 pm	7 LUNCH 11:30 Turkey Sandwich Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Bingo 1-3 pm John Wetten School 5 <sup>th</sup> graders Visit	8 LUNCH 11:30 Teriyaki Meatball Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am Zumba -9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginner 11 am-12 pm Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm	9 LUNCH 11:30 Creamed Chicken Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Will & Trusts 1-3 pm	10 ADVENTURE TRIP: Spirit Mt Casino Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm
Pinochle 12:45-3:45 pm 13 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am Zumba 9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginning 11 am-12 pm Arts & Crafts 10 am <i>NEW MEMIORS 12-2 pm</i> Pinochle 12:45-3:45 pm Living Well with Chronic Conditions 1-3:30 pm	14 LUNCH 11:30 Vegetable Romanoff Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Bingo 1 to 3 pm Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Valentines Live music FOOT CLINIC/ Blood Pressure 10:30 am -12 pm	15 LUNCH 11:30 Turkey Tetrazzini Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am ZUMBA Gold—9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginner 11 am-12 pm Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm	16 LUNCH 11:30 Meatloaf Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Live Music at lunch	ADVENTURE TRIP: End of OR Trail Interpretive Center lunch at Icehouse Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm ROTARY Bingo 5:30-10 pm
FOOT CLINIC 20 Closed for President's Day	21 LUNCH 11:30 Chili Macaroni Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Bingo 1 to 3 pm Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Live Music John Wetten School 5 <sup>th</sup> graders Visit	22 LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Alfredo Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am Zumba 9-10 am Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginner 11 am-12 pm Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm	23 LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Jambalaya Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm	24 ADVENTURE TRIP: Troutdale Train Depot Museum Lunch in Gresham Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm
27 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 am ZUMBA Gold—9-10 am Tai Chi Beginner 10-11 am Tai Chi Beginning 11 am-12 pm Arts & Crafts 10 am Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 pm Living Well with Chronic Conditions 1-3:30 pm	28 Lunch 11:30 BQ Smokehouse Chop Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 am Bingo 1 to 3 pm Rummikub / Scrabble 1 to 3 pm Music History Lunch & Learn			

## **General Center Info/Events**

**Community School Classes** 

Thru partnership with the Community School the Senior Center hosts

YOGA \* PAINTING \* ZUMBA

Sign up at <u>www.gladstone.k12.or.us</u>

Free Classes and Activities The Gladstone Senior Center offers daily free classes and activities.

Tai Chi \* Chair Exercise \* Walking Groups \* Arts & Crafts \* Bingo \* Scrabble \* Rummikub \* Rides/Trips

> Or call 503-650-2570 FEE FOR THESE CLASSES <u>DID YOU KNOW?</u>

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** 



## 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.

## Street Parking Regulations

Gladstone Code Enforcement would like to remind its citizens that there are City ordinances regulating on-street parking. Chapter 10.04 of the Gladstone Municipal Code (available online on the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us) includes the following:

• No person shall park, store, or leave standing a vehicle on a public street or public property controlled by the City for a timeframe of more than 72 hours

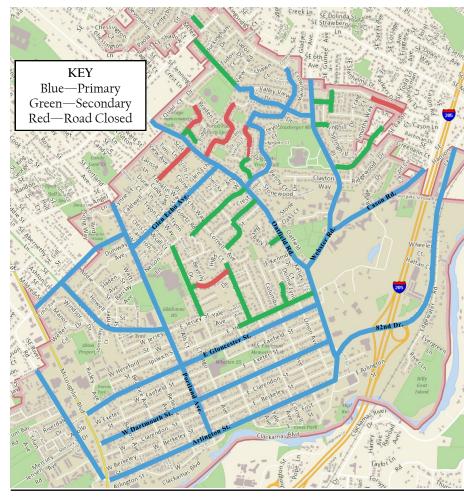
• No vehicle shall be parked or operated on a street when the vehicle registration as indicated by registration stickers or registration card is expired



## Be Prepared for Snow & Ice

Snow events in Gladstone vary in severity from a dusting to inches. The variety of conditions that can occur during the snow-and-ice The City of Gladstone started utilizing magnesium chloride (MgC12) season in the City makes advance preparation more difficult. In addition, snow events in Gladstone will vary in severity depending upon the location where you live. Combinations of these factors and the rate and accumulation of snowfall, moisture content, presence of sleet, freezing rain or hail, temperature during and after the storm, wind velocity, time of day or night, day or days of the week, storm duration, and intervals between storms interact to make each storm unique.

Gladstone Public Works primary purpose is to provide effective use Operations management will prioritize major arterials and other of equipment and personnel, minimize impact to the environment, collector streets to be cleared first as to maintain efficient vehicular help contain costs, and organize safe travel routes for emergency responders and the motoring public during winter storm events. It is the responsibility of each property owner to clear his or her driveway and all sidewalk areas adjacent to their property.



#### De-Icing

in 2019. Sourced from ODOT, it is an effective way to provide a safer road surface during winter driving conditions. Use of deicing agents help reduce the use of sand, which reduces impact on air quality, water quality and aquatic habitat. Crews will work to lay de-icer down when conditions are optimal. Weather and roadway conditions for the use of de-icing material is important to its effectiveness; it cannot be put down on a wet surface and or below temperatures of 20°.

traffic through the city.

• Plowing is scheduled to begin with an accumulation of approximately 2 or more inches of snow.

> • Limited sanding is done during a snowfall because falling snow covers the sand and it is scraped away on subsequent plowing passes, requiring additional sanding.

> • Subdivision roads may not be plowed; routes will be cleared based on the sanding/plowing map.

#### How Can You Help?

• Be patient, be assured that during a snowstorm every reasonable effort will be made to keep roadways open. During a major snowstorm, all our operators and snow removal equipment will be on the road.

• Familiarize yourself with alternative routes in and out of your neighborhood; utilizing streets that do not have a substantial grade if possible.

• Do not attempt to stop a snowplow or obstruct its path. Plows must maintain speed for maximum efficiency.

• When approaching snow removal equipment from the rear, travel a minimum of 200 feet behind allowing for sanding and abrupt movements. DO NOT Pass unless necessary.

• Do not park along snow routes. In residential areas, leave room for plows to get through safely-if possible, park off the street.

• Do not put garbage or recycling containers in the street.

## 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 a.m. to noon

Location: Off Nelson Lane on the north side of the Gladstone High campus Contact: Becky Speulda at <u>bbspeulda@yahoo.com</u>.

**Volunteers needed:** A team of 4 is needed to volunteer 2 hours each month on 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays.

Donations 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.* 

## February 17th BINGO

Join us for another night of food, fun and BINGO. Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary's monthly BINGO event will be on February 17th at the Gladstone Senior Center. Come win some money and have a good time. The event runs the evening of February 17th, 5:30-8:00 pm. All ages are welcome, join us at any time throughout the evening. Food and drink will be served including beer and wine. This month, Friends of Gladstone Nature Park will be helping out for their part of the proceeds. Come support them and help them to take care of our Park. If you are a non-profit who like help and earn some money for your cause, or if you are just someone who has a question about the event contact either Dr. Bob Everett at <u>bingo@gladstone oaklodgerotary.org</u> or Dr. Bryce Colson at <u>b.colson@gladstoneoaklodgerotary.org</u>. You can also visit our website, <u>gladstoneoaklodgerotary.org</u> for more information. See you in February for some good times!

## 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.

		adstone High School e Game Schedule - <i>February 2024</i>	
DATE	TEAM	GAMES	
1-Feb	Swimming	at Molalla Aquatic Park - 4:00 pm SENIOR NIGHT	
3-Feb	Girls Basketball	vs Molalla - JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm	
4-Feb	JV Boys Basketball	Round Robin: 1:30 pm - Gladstone vs. Valley Catholic 3:00 pm - Valley Cathlic vs North Marion 4:30 pm - Gladstone vs North Marion	
	Cheer	Cheer Competition at Tualatin High School (call school for more details)	
7-Feb	JV Girls Basketball	vs Gresham at 6:00 pm	
10-Feb	Boys Basketball	vs Madras JV2 at 4:00 pm / JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm	
	Swimming	First Day of Districts in La Grande	
11-Feb	Swimming	Second Day of Districts in La Grande	
	Cheer	State Championships at Oregon City HS (call school for more details)	
14-Feb	Boys Basketball	vs Crook County - SENIOR NIGHT JV2 at 4:00 pm / JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm	
	Girls Basketball	vs The Dalles - JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm	
17-Feb	Swimming	First Day of State Championships at the Tualatin Hills Aquatic Park	
18-Feb	Swimming	Second Day of State Championships at the Tualatin Hills Aquatic Park	
	Dance	Dance Competition at Sherwood High School (call school for more details)	
21-Feb	Girls Basketball	vs Estacada - SENIOR NIGHT JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm	
24-Feb	Basketball	Playoffs Begin	
25-Feb	Dance	Dance Competition at Sprague High School (call school for more details)	
	, .	sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. vill be open during most home games (cash or venmo accepted).	

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

Specific times for Cheer & Dance competitions are not released until shortly before each event. If you would like more information, feel free to email Scotti Shaner at shaners@gladstone.kl2.or.us.

## Lunch Buddy Volunteer Opportunity at John Wetten Elementary

Are you looking for a place to volunteer in 2023? If so, why not be a lunch buddy for a student at John Wetten Elementary? It's a rewarding experience for both the volunteer and the student.

The Lunch Buddy program at John Wetten Elementary School matches adult volunteers with elementary students to provide friendship, support and positive role modeling by having lunch and spending special time together at recess.

Nationally, studies of students who meet regularly with a mentor show that:

- 64% develop more positive attitudes toward school
- 59% achieve higher grades
- 46% are less likely to start using illegal drugs
- 27% are less likely to start drinking
- 33% are less likely to engage in violence

There are many students waiting for a lunch buddy mentor but not enough volunteers to meet the need. You can choose to meet once weekly or twice monthly. If you are interested, please contact Theresa Schmidt,

Volunteer Coordinator at John Wetten Elementary School at <u>schmidtt@gladstone.k12.or.us</u> or 503-656-6564



## GHS Grad Party Fundraiser



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Hello Gladstone! The GHS Grad Party Committee has a plethora of fun things planned for February. Please join us on

Facebook at "Gladstone Grad Party 2023" for more information. Our next meeting is Wednesday, February 1st @ 7:00 pm in the GHS Cafeteria. And mark your calendars...the next Can & Bottle Drive is Saturday, February 18th from 10:00 am-1:00 pm. If you would like to send a direct donation, please mail a check made payable to GLADSTONE SCHOOL DISTRICT (with "2023 Grad Party" on the memo line) to Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Ave, Gladstone, OR 97027. THANK YOU for your continued support!

## Local Telephone Numbers

City Hall General Business Line
Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info <sup></sup> 503-557-2771
Municipal Court/Traffic Citations 503-557-2772
Public Works 503-656-7957
Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm503-557-2797
Clackamas Fire District #1 503-742-2600
Library 503-655-8540
Senior Center 503-655-7701
Recreation/Business License 503-557-2766
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 Electric
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)

Please respect those who choose to wear masks. Need help? Just second Sunday of each month and are available to phone, email, or visit us online at <u>clackamas.us/lib</u>: Open hours:

Monday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday: 10 am - 6 pm

## Tuesday and Thursday: 12 noon - 8 pm Wednesday: 10 am - 8 pm CALENDAR ENTRIES

• All-Ages Storytime- Every Monday and Wednesday from 10:15-10:45 am. Enjoy your favorite storytime books, songs, and games with Teacher Heather every Monday and Wednesday at 10:15 am at the library! All ages welcome. NOTE: No Storytime on Monday, February 20, 2023!

• OBOB Book & Battle Club- Wednesday, February 8, 2023 from 5-6 pm -"Harbor Me" by Jacqueline Woodson; Wednesday, February 22, 2023 from 5-6 pm -"Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio" by Peg Kehret. Join us at the library on second and fourth Wednesdays to talk about Oregon's Battle of the Books (OBOB) titles from the 3rd\_5th Grade division (ages 9 and under with an adult). Practice your battle skills by answering questions about the book to earn points (and maybe even take home a prize)! Visit our website's Just for Kids page at clackamas.us/lib/kids for links to the OBOB book lists for all divisions, and for a list of upcoming OBOB Book Club titles to be discussed.



Adult Craft: Wet

Felting

This month's adult

craft class happens

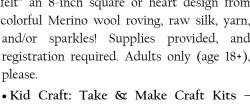
Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

(registration required)

• Adult Craft: Wet Felting- Saturday, February 11, 2023 from 2-4 pm. Join Ammi to "wet felt" an 8-inch square or heart design from colorful Merino wool roving, raw silk, yarn, and/or sparkles! Supplies provided, and registration required. Adults only (age 18+), please.

Foam Heart Animal- Sunday, February 12, 2023

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(and while supplies last!). Take-home craft kits for kids appear on the

pick up at the Gladstone Public Library while supplies last. Most supplies and instructions are included. This month's Foam Heart Animal kit pads in on February 12<sup>th</sup> – ask for yours at the desk! • Clackamas County Library Advisory Board

(Virtual Meeting)- Thursday, February 16, 2023 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-libraryadvisory-board#meetings for more information.



**Kids'** Craft: Foam Heart Animals This month's *Take & Make* kids' craft is available Sunday, February 12th (and while supplies last)

• Rock Readers Mystery Book Club (Virtual Meeting)- Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a virtual discussion of "*Velvet Was the Night*" by Silvia Morena-Garcia. Ask for your copy at library's front desk, then join the group discussion online (staff can provide ZOOM information the day before the meeting).

### OTHER LIBRARY UPDATES AND INFORMATION

• Fines and fees totaling at least \$1 can be paid online using a credit card. Log into your account on lincc.org, then click My Account, then Fines to display current amounts owing. Follow the instructions to submit your payment.

• Story Walk® at the Gladstone Nature Park features the English/ Spanish "Dias y Dias/Days and Days" by Ginger Foglesong Guy. 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 (please limit to ONE bag/box per visit).

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Public Works Department—18595 Portland Ave

#### City Meetings:

\*<u>City Council</u>- 2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessarv) 6:30 pm—Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom

\*<u>Planning Commission</u>- 3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom

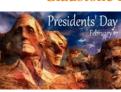
\*<u>Traffic Safety</u>- 4th Monday every other month (as needed) 6:00 pm-Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom

\*Park & Recreation 2nd Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm, currently being held on Zoom \*<u>Senior Center Advisory</u> held monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 3:30 pm at the Gladstone Senior Center., 1050 Portland Avenue

Copies of all City meeting packets and agendas can be found on the City's website at: www.ci.gladstone.or.us

#### Local Meetings:

\*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 <u>gladstonenaturepark.org</u> or email <u>friendsofgladstonenature@</u> gmail.com for more information. \*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.gladstone historicalsociety.org or email glad stonehistoricalsociety@gmail.com



February is a great month for hunkering down with your favorite reading material, whether it's browsing through craft magazines for Valentine or future seasonal ideas, new garden plants and seeds, or just a good book. The library has it all. Don't forget to visit Twice Sold Tales in the reading

room. These books are nearly new and priced right.

The Foundation is busily putting together events for the coming year. Check here to find out when and where.

By joining Fred Meyer's Rewards program and Amazon Smile, it gives you a simple way to help build our library. Just sign up, then link onto the Gladstone Public Library Foundation website.

For Fred Meyer's, go to: https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/communityrewards. And for Amazon, link onto AmazonSmile, fill out the form and you're all set. Donations to Gladstone Public Library Foundation can be sent to: 135 E Dartmouth St., Gladstone, OR 97027, or to our website. Every penny we earn goes 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.

There is no problem that a library card can't solve. - Eleanor Brown

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates

<sup>•</sup> LIBRARY CLOSED to observe Presidents' Day - Monday, February 20, 2023