

## Understanding Your Utility Bill

### Safe Drinking Water Delivered to Your Home

#### Water Charges Include

- **Base meter charge:** Covers the costs that are ongoing regardless of amount of water used (pipes, pumps, hydrants, reservoir maintenance and meeting state and federal requirements).
- **Water conservation block rate charges:** Covers costs associated with the amount of water used. Water is measured in ICCF increments, which equals 748 gallons per unit.
- **Treatment:** Pass-through charge of \$0.7929 per unit is included in the block rates, passed along to residents from the water treatment plant.

From 1-6 units	\$ 1.73 per unit
From 7-10 units	\$ 2.75 per unit
Units greater than 10	\$ 3.76 per unit

### Sewer Removed From Your Home and Treated

#### Sewer Charges Include

- **Treatment:** Pass through charges are not determined by the City, but passed through from the treatment plant.
- **Collection:** City costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the waste water collection system (Pipes, pumps and meeting state and federal requirements).

### Stormwater Managed to Protect Homes and Rivers

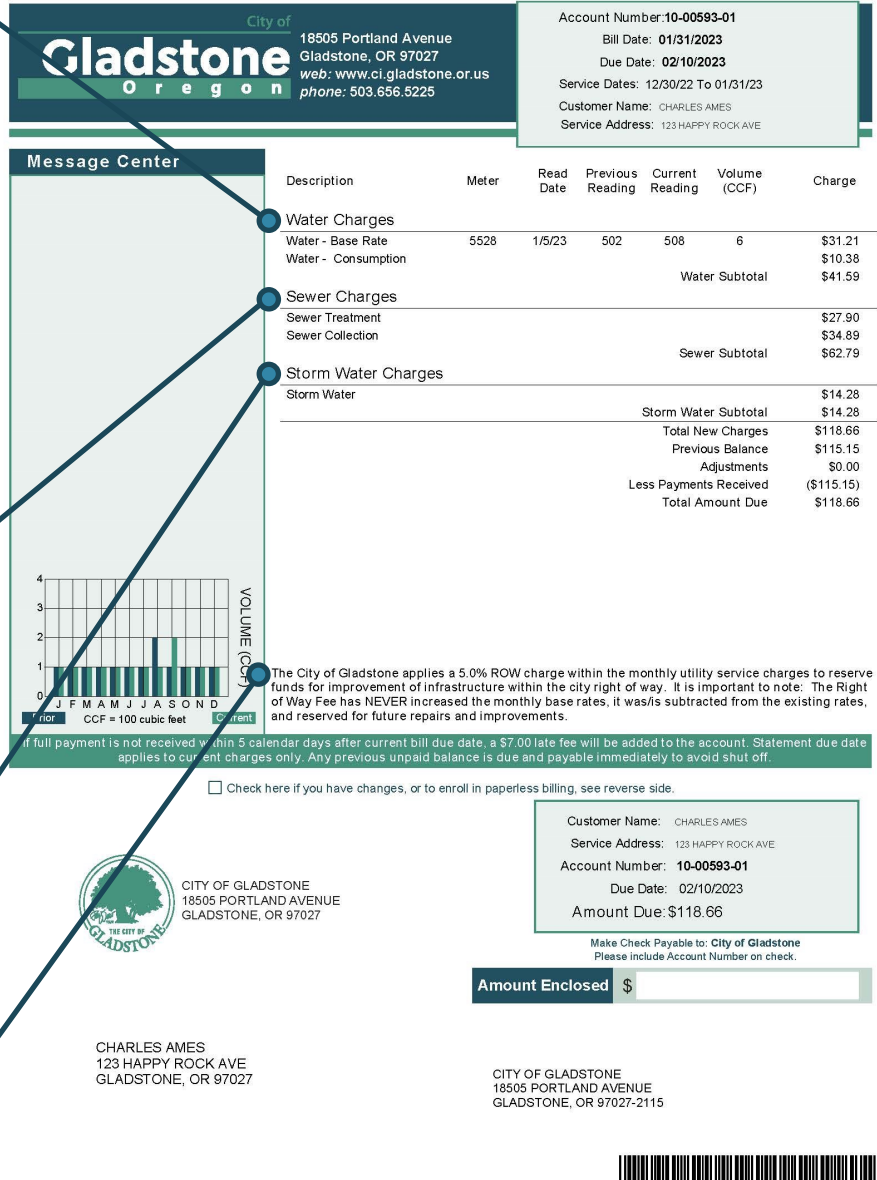
#### Stormwater Charges Include

- **Stormwater:** City costs associated with the operation and maintenance of the stormwater collection system, such as pipes and storm drains, to reduce flooding and keep the rivers and streams clean while meeting state and federal requirements.

### Improving the Public Right of Way

#### Right of Way Charges include

- A 5% right of way charge is included in all water, sewer and stormwater fees.



**City of Gladstone Oregon**  
18505 Portland Avenue  
Gladstone, OR 97027  
web: [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us)  
phone: 503.656.5225

Account Number: 10-00593-01  
Bill Date: 01/31/2023  
Due Date: 02/10/2023  
Service Dates: 12/30/22 To 01/31/23  
Customer Name: CHARLES AMES  
Service Address: 123 HAPPY ROCK AVE

**Message Center**

Description	Meter	Read Date	Previous Reading	Current Reading	Volume (CCF)	Charge
<b>Water Charges</b>						
Water - Base Rate	5528	1/5/23	502	508	6	\$31.21
Water - Consumption						\$10.38
					Water Subtotal	\$41.59
<b>Sewer Charges</b>						
Sewer Treatment						\$27.90
Sewer Collection						\$34.89
					Sewer Subtotal	\$62.79
<b>Storm Water Charges</b>						
Storm Water						\$14.28
					Storm Water Subtotal	\$14.28
					Total New Charges	\$118.66
					Previous Balance	\$115.15
					Adjustments	\$0.00
					Less Payments Received	(\$115.15)
					Total Amount Due	\$118.66

**Volume (CCF) Chart:** A bar chart showing monthly water usage in CCF (Cubic Feet per Cent) from January to December. The y-axis ranges from 0 to 4. The x-axis lists months J, F, M, A, M, J, J, A, S, O, N, D. Usage is relatively low (around 1 CCF) from Jan to Oct, then increases to around 2 CCF in Nov and Dec.

The City of Gladstone applies a 5.0% ROW charge within the monthly utility service charges to reserve funds for improvement of infrastructure within the city right of way. It is important to note: The Right of Way Fee has NEVER increased the monthly base rates, it was/is subtracted from the existing rates, and reserved for future repairs and improvements.

Check here if you have changes, or to enroll in paperless billing, see reverse side.

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Amount Due: \$118.66

Make Check Payable to: City of Gladstone  
Please include Account Number on check.

Amount Enclosed \$

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123 HAPPY ROCK AVE  
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### City Council Adopts Utility Rate Increases

At the December 13, 2022 City Council Meeting, City Council adopted a utility increase of 4% on all Gladstone utilities effective January 1, 2023.

You will notice the following increase on the utility bill you receive at the beginning of February: Water Base Rate increased \$1.20 -from \$30.01 to \$31.21. Water conservation Block rates increased as follows: 1-6 units of water: \$0.07 per unit (from \$1.66 to \$1.73 per unit); 7-10 units of water: \$0.11 per unit (from \$2.64 to \$2.75 per unit); 11+ units of water: \$0.14 per unit (from \$3.62 to \$3.76 per unit). Sewer collection increased \$1.34 from \$33.55 to \$34.89. Stormwater increased \$.55 from \$13.73 to \$14.28

The total overall increase on a household using 6 units of water is \$3.51.

If you would like more information on how the rate increase will affect your monthly bill, please visit the City's website at <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/publicworks/page/utility-rate-increase-information> for more information. If you have questions, please contact our Utility Billing department at [ub@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:ub@ci.gladstone.or.us).

### City Closures

City offices will be closed Monday, January 2nd in observation of New Years Day and Monday, January 16th in observation of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. During this time, payments may be placed in the silver dropbox located in the center of the Civic Center parking lot. Other payment options can be found on the City's website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/online-payments](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/online-payments)

### Job Opportunities

The City of Gladstone is accepting applications for Temporary Seasonal Public Works Employee, Public Works Supervisor, Police Officer- Recruit and Police Officer- Lateral. Complete details may be found on the city's website at: [www.ci.gladstone.or.us/jobs](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/jobs).

### Gladstone Fire Station 22 Remodel

On Thursday, December 8th, elected officials took a tour of Gladstone Fire Station 22. This was an opportunity for the Clackamas Fire District (CFD) #1 Board and Gladstone City Council to see the facility and celebrate the remodel completion. For the first time in the station's history, it is staffed and being responded to 24/7. Crews no longer sleep in the apartment behind the building or work out of the temporary quarters across the street. Once all logistics are finalized, the City and Fire District will have an open house in 2023. Thank you to the Gladstone City Council for your support of the project.

← Pictured from right to left: CFD Board Member Thomas Joseph, CFD Board Member Marilyn Wall, City Councilor Mindy Garlington, City Councilor Greg Alexander, Mayor Tammy Stempel, and CFD Board Member Chris Hawes.



### 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. January 9th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center
  - City Council Goal Setting Sessions– Fri. January 13th at 4:00 pm and Sat. January 14th at 9:00 am.
  - City Council– Tues., January 10th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
  - Senior Center Advisory Board– Tues., January 17th at 3:30 pm, Gladstone Senior Center.
  - Planning Commission Meeting– Tues., January 17th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
  - Clackamas County Library Advisory Board– Thurs. January 19th at 5:30 pm via Zoom: [clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings](https://clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings)
  - Traffic Safety Advisory Board Meeting– Mon. January 23rd at 6:00 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
  - City Council Work Session– Tues. January 24th at 5:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center
- Visit <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings> for more information on all City meetings..

### 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). For hearing impaired, call 711 for Oregon Relay
- To report a bias crime or incident online go to: [StandAgainstHate.Oregon.gov](https://StandAgainstHate.Oregon.gov)

### Winter is Here, Prevent Frozen Pipes

Winter is coming, 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 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.



### 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
<b>Revenues:</b>		
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	
January	6,018.00	
February	5,359.00	
March	7,373.00	
April	11,072.00	
May	11,380.00	
June	9,909.00	
	<b>115,012.00</b>	<b>45,143.00</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Contractual Services	3,488.38	1,312.70
Credit card fees	4,998.08	2,232.44
Operations & Maintenance	9,656.14	622.60
Purchase & install kiosk	5,422.50	—
Year to date	23,565.10	4,167.74
Net Profit (Loss)	<b>91,446.90</b>	<b>40,975.26</b>
Cumulative Balance	<b>20,895.82</b>	<b>61,871.08</b>

### Home Heating Safety Tips from Clackamas Fire District #1

Did you know half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January, and February? With a few simple safety tips and precautions, you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot “kid-free zone” around open fires and space heaters.
- Have chimneys cleaned and inspected annually by a qualified professional.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cooled before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.

Also, make sure that you have working carbon monoxide and smoke alarms in your home! Test alarms once a month to ensure that they are functioning properly.

### 2023 Business License Renewals

Business Owners and Operators: Be on the look out for Business License renewal applications! For a general business license the fee is \$100, plus \$5 per employee over 3 full time equivalent employees.

Rental property owners are required to pay the base fee of \$100 plus \$25 for one rental unit, \$50 for 2-5 rental units, \$75 for 6-12 rental units or \$100 for 13+ rental units.

Any business license renewal fee that is not paid by January 31 is subject to a class “A” infraction as specified in GMC 1.08.

Business license applications may be downloaded from the city’s website at [www.ci.gladstone.or.us](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us). Questions can be emailed to [bl@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:bl@ci.gladstone.or.us).

### Liquor License Renewals

The Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) advises the City yearly for businesses that are eligible for a liquor license renewal. Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 471.166 establishes the process for local governments to make recommendations of approval or denial to the OLCC. The City is requesting residents express any concerns about currently OLCC licensed businesses. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Tami Bannick at [bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us](mailto:bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us) by February 1, 2023.



## *Gladstone Public Works: Winter Weather & our Roadways*

Snow events in Gladstone vary in severity from a dusting to inches. The variety of conditions that can occur during the snow-and-ice 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 of equipment and personnel, minimize impact to the environment, 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

The City of Gladstone started utilizing magnesium chloride (MgCl<sub>2</sub>) 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°.

Operations management will prioritize major arterials and other collector streets to be cleared first as to maintain efficient vehicular 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.

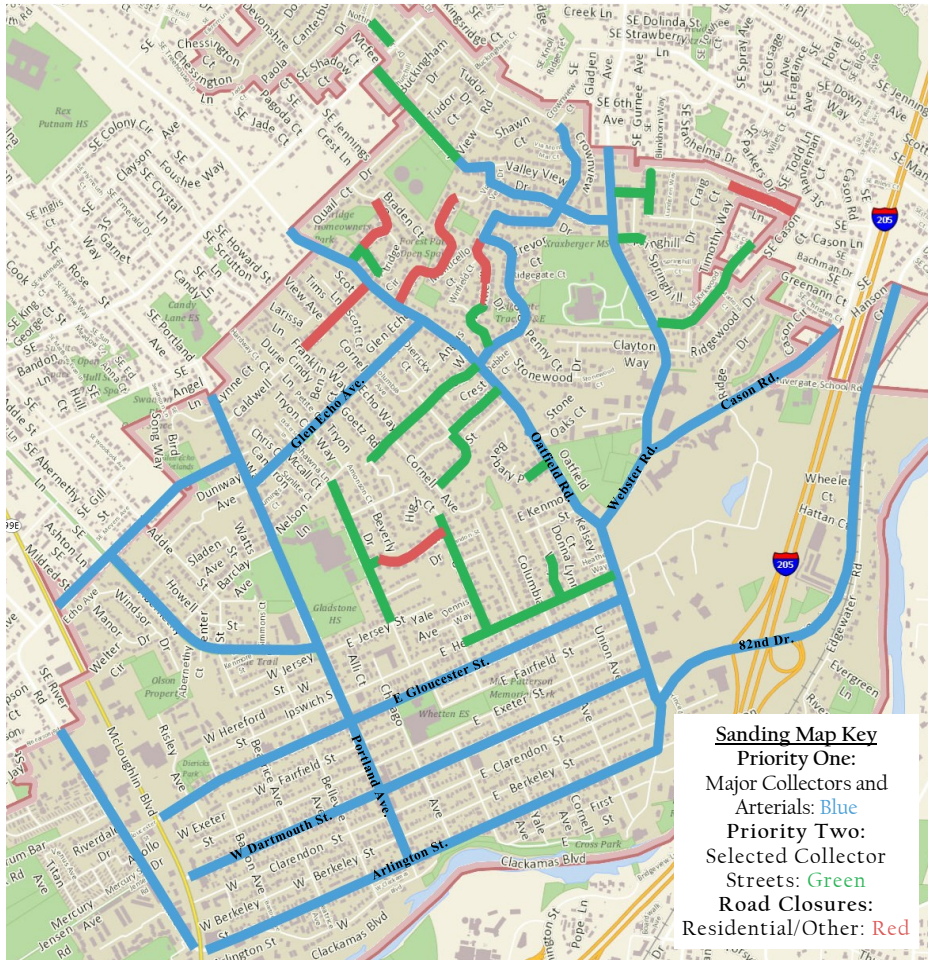
- Familiarize yourself with alternative routes in and out of your neighborhood; utilizing streets that do not have a substantial grade if possible.

- 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.



### *Be Prepared for Winter Driving*

Driving in the winter can be harrowing, especially in snowstorms and icy conditions. By getting your car ready for winter and using some simple tips to drive safely, you can face almost any weather Mother Nature decides to send your way.

#### *Prepare Your Car for Winter*

In addition to annual maintenance, here are some tips to winterize your car:

- Test your battery; battery power drops as the temperature drops
- Make sure the cooling system is in good working order
- Have winter tires with a deeper, more flexible tread put on your car
- If using all-season tires, check the tread on your tires and replace if less than 2/32 of an inch
- Check the tire pressure; tire pressure drops as the temperature drops
- Check your wiper blades and replace if needed
- Add wiper fluid rated for -30 degrees
- Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze

Remember to keep your car's emergency preparedness kit fully stocked, too:

- A properly inflated spare tire, wheel wrench and tripod jack

- Jumper cables
- Tool kit and/or a multipurpose utility tool
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Reflective triangles and brightly colored cloth to make your vehicle more visible
- Compass
- First aid kit with gauze, tape, bandages, antibiotic ointment, aspirin, a blanket, non-latex gloves, scissors, hydrocortisone, thermometer, tweezers and instant cold compress
- Nonperishable, high-energy foods, such as unsalted nuts, dried fruits and hard candy
- Drinking water
- Reflective vest in case you need to walk to get help
- Car charger for your cell phone
- Fire extinguisher
- Duct tape
- Rain poncho
- Additional items for cold weather include a snow brush, shovel, windshield washer fluid, warm clothing, cat litter for traction and blankets

#### *Before You Start Out*

- Clean your car's external camera lenses and side view mirrors so you'll be able to see what's around you

- Remove dirt, ice and snow from sensors to allow the assistive-driving features like automatic emergency braking to work
- In frigid weather, you may want to warm up the car before you drive it. To prevent carbon monoxide poisoning, never leave a vehicle running in your garage – even with the garage door up
- If the forecast looks iffy, wait out the storm if possible; if you must travel, share your travel plans and route with someone before you leave
- If visibility is severely limited due to a whiteout, pull off the road to a safe place and do not drive until conditions improve. Avoid pulling off onto the shoulder unless it is an absolute emergency. Limited visibility means other vehicles can't see yours on the shoulder.
- Remember, you are your car's best safety feature. Take precautions to ensure you arrive safely at your destination. If you become stranded in an unfamiliar area, do not leave your car. Light flares in front and behind the car and make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked by snow, mud or objects.

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

## GLADSTONE SENIOR CENTER NEWS



Memoirs Group starts this month on Monday, Jan. 9th + Jan. 23rd. Will meet in the center every other Monday.

There are no requirements and everyone is welcome.

The Gladstone Senior Center will again partner with **AARP tax aide program** to offer tax preparation in the center on **Fridays—starting February.**



We will start scheduling Tax Prep appointments on **Monday, January 30th and ONLY THROUGH the AARP tax scheduling line—please call this number for all Tax Appointments 503-483-5297**

Join Gladstone COMMUNITY BINGO NIGHTS, starting **FRIDAY, January 20th!**

Open to the general public. Developed and Ran by Gladstone Rotary.

**Food, Bingo, and Brew.**

Every 3rd Friday evening in the Large Dining Hall at the center.



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

**Clackamas Safe+Strong Team will be offering an eight-week group teaching Skills for Psychological Recovery, offered to older adults in Clackamas County in February.** The group meets over Zoom every Wednesday from 2:00-3:00 pm, January 25 to March 15. You can attend using your smartphones, tablets, or computers. An info session is available on January 11 and 18 for any questions about this group or tech assistance.

The group teaches skills including problem-solving, re-engaging in positive activities, rebuilding social connections, and helpful thinking, as well as techniques for managing reactions, such as breathing and writing exercises. The goal of the group is to help protect mental health and foster resilience in the wake of the pandemic.

Jesse Chapman, Clackamas Strong and Strong program **503-655-8585**

# JANUARY

## 2023

We are Open

Monday through Friday

8:00am to 4:00 pm

**CLOSED ON**

**JAN. 2nd—NEW YEARS**

**+ JAN. 16th Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday**

(503) 655-7701

[www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc](http://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc)



Upcoming in FEBRUARY  
2023

Living with a Chronic condition or caring for someone with a chronic condition?

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Weekly meetups on Mondays  
**Feb 17th—April 3rd 1pm to 3:30pm** (join us after 12p lunch) Sign-up/pre-register at  
**503-650-5796**

*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 do-*



# January 2023

## General Center Info/Events

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>CLOSED NEW YEARS</b> observed 2	LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Cordon Blue 3 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 LIVE MUSIC	LUNCH 11:30 Beef Sloppy Joe 4 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45	LUNCH 11:30 Pasta Primavera 5 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub 1 to 3 ADVENTURE TRIP: Lakewood Theater "The Ghost Of David Belasko" 6:30pm	<b>NO ADVENTURE TRIP TODAY</b> Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45
9 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Beginner 10-11 Arts & Crafts 10 <i>NEW MEMIORS Group 12-2</i> Pinochle 12:45-3:45 <b>FOOT CLINIC</b>	LUNCH 11:30 Meatloaf 10 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 JOHN WETTEN KIDS ACTIVITY <b>FOOT CLINIC</b>	LUNCH 11:30 Spagheftri With Meat 11 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45	LUNCH 11:30 Roast Pork 12 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub 1 to 3 LIVE MUSIC	13 ADVENTURE TRIP: Filbert House for Lunch & Pacific Hazelnut Candy Store Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45
<b>CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY</b> 16 	LUNCH 11:30 Brunch for Lunch 17 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 ADVENTURE TRIP - MOVIE A Man Called OTTO - Sandy Theater	LUNCH 11:30 BBQ Pork Chop 18 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 LIVE MUSIC	LUNCH 11:30 Breaded Beef Steak 19 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub 1 to 3	20 <b>ADVENTURE TRIP: World Forestry Center Lunch @ Chart House</b> Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 ROTARY Community Bingo 5pm
23 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Beginner 10-11 Arts & Crafts 10 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 <i>NEW MEMIORS Group—12-2</i>	LUNCH 11:30 German Meatball 24 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 JOHN WETTEN KIDS ACTIVITY (DICE GAME 10,000)	LUNCH 11:30 Breaded Chicken 25 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 Intro to Estate Planning 1 to 3	LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Stew 26 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub 1 to 3 LIVE MUSIC	27 <b>ADVENTURE TRIP: Fox Trot Antiques Lunch @ Heidies</b> Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45
30 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Beginner 10-11 Arts & Crafts 10 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45	LUNCH 11:30 Mac And Cheese 31 Bingo 1 to 3 LIVE MUSIC			

### Community School Classes

Thru partnership with the Community School the Senior Center hosts

YOGA \* PAINTING \* ZUMBA

Sign up at [www.gladstone.k12.or.us](http://www.gladstone.k12.or.us)

Or call 503-650-2570

**FEE FOR THESE CLASSES**

### 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

### 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

## 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.

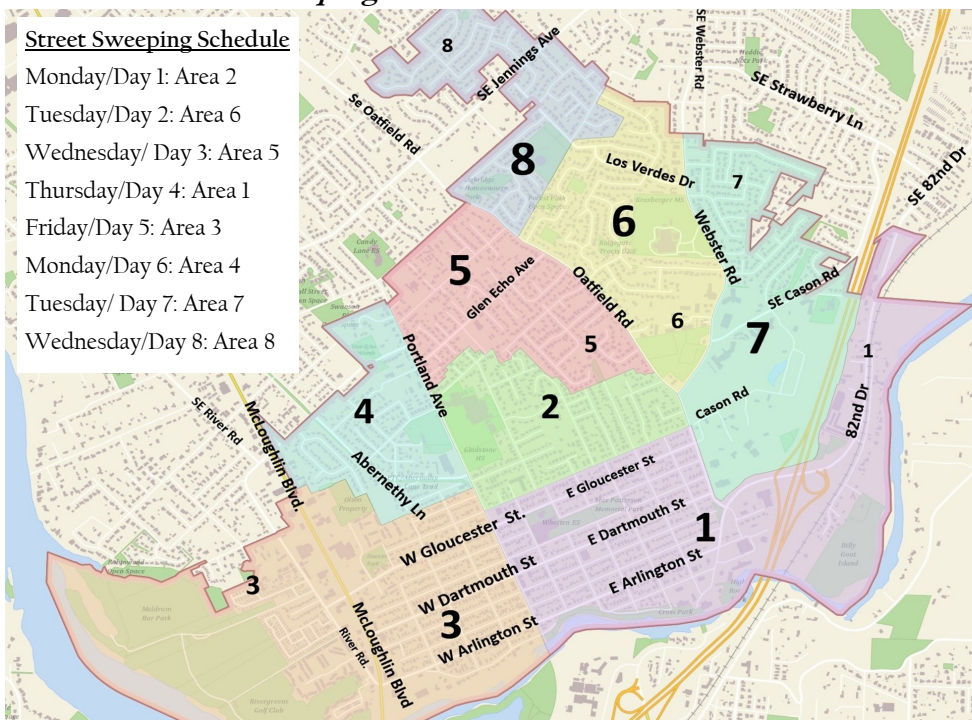
If you have questions, please contact the Public Works Office at 503-656-7957.



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



### Sidewalks and Clear Vision



Gladstone Municipal Code states that a property owner is responsible for maintaining sidewalks abutting their property and are liable to any person suffering injury due to a defective sidewalk. The City’s general standard for sidewalk maintenance states “not to exceed 1/2” vertical lift.” This is similar to property owners being responsible for maintaining landscaping for clear vision of motorists at street intersections. Both the property owner and the City can be held liable for accidents when they are notified but fail to remove clear vision obstructions. Please check the condition of sidewalks along your property and check for adequate clear vision if your property is located at a street intersection.

### 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.



### Gladstone Groups Team Up to Share Holiday Joy

This December, Gladstone’s Adopt-a-Family effort helped 57 Gladstone families have a brighter holiday season. The project’s 11 partner groups delivered a holiday meal, toys for children, and gifts for teens on December 17.

“With high inflation and steep rent increases, these are tough times for many families,” said project coordinator Leslie Robinette. “It was a delight to see so many Gladstone organizations come together to bring our neighbors some holiday cheer, and we’re grateful to the many folks across the community who donated toys, gift cards, and canned food.”

#### Thank you to all the project partners!

- Gladstone High School
- Gladstone Police Department
- Clackamas Fire District #1
- Gladstone Public Library
- Rotary of Gladstone/Oak Lodge
- Gladstone Kiwanis
- The Clackamas Bookshelf
- Happyrock Coffee Roasting Co.
- The Gladstone Card Room
- Gladstone School District staff
- Oregon Conference of Seventh Day Adventists.



← Gladstone High Student Senate members Aireyana William, Madison Hill, Gracie St.Jacques, Madeline Bywater, Eli Hayes, and Hunter Sowders sort donated toys for Gladstone's Adopt-a-Family project.

### Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

Gladstone Police Department is working tirelessly to spread the word about the dangers of drunk driving and to remind all drivers: If you plan to drink alcohol, plan ahead for a sober ride home.

Drunk driving is not only illegal, it is costly.

- The average DUI costs \$10,000 in attorney’s fees, fines, court costs, lost time at work, higher insurance rates, and more.
- If you’re caught drinking and driving, you can face jail time. That arrest will follow you for many years to come.
- Drinking and driving can cause you to lose your driver’s license and your vehicle. This could prevent you from getting to work, resulting in lost wages and, potentially, job loss.

Always remember to plan ahead when you will be celebrating with alcohol. If you plan to drink, make arrangements for a sober driver to take you home. Before you start celebrating this holiday season, look over these safety tips to keep you, your loved ones, and everyone else safe on the road.

- Plan ahead: If you wait until you’ve been drinking to make a smart decision, you might not. Before you have one drink, designate a sober driver who won’t be drinking.
- You have options: designate a sober driver, call a taxi, or use a rideshare service. Getting home safely is always worth it.
- If it’s your turn to be the designated driver, take your job seriously and don’t drink.
- Do you have a friend who is about to drink and drive? Take the keys away and let a sober driver get your friend home safely.

For more information, visit [www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drunk-driving](http://www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drunk-driving).

### 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 503-656-6564 or [schmidtt@gladstone.k12.or.us](mailto:schmidtt@gladstone.k12.or.us).





**Free Clothes for Babies, Kids, and Teens**

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

Hours: Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon

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

Donations accepted: Saturdays 10-noon – Only clothes for babies/kids/teens.

Contact: Becky Speulda at [bbspeulda@yahoo.com](mailto:bbspeulda@yahoo.com).

This project is a collaboration between Gladstone Christian Church, Rotary Club of Gladstone/Oak Lodge, Gladstone Mutual Aid, St. Stephen Lutheran Church, and Gladstone Schools. **One more group of 4 is needed to volunteer 2 hours a month.**

**Gladstone Food Pantry provides Free Groceries**

Families are invited to 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](mailto:avanpelt@nwfs.org).

**BINGO**



The Gladstone Oak-Lodge Rotary, along with the Gladstone Senior Center, will be holding a monthly BINGO game for the entertainment of all Gladstone residents and the benefit of local non-profits. It will be held the third Friday of the month until May, the first being JANUARY 20TH.

BINGO will run from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm and serve food, and drinks (including beer and wine), but most of all fun. Each month we are looking for local non-profits to help us out and make money at the same time as a percentage of the profits will go to the group. Mark it on your calendar and beat the winter doldrums by having a good time, making new friends, being a part of our giving community and the best part enjoying Bingo Bill, the voice of BINGO at the Festival.

If you are a non-profit in town that would like to participate in the local BINGO game and make some money at the same time please call Dr. Bob Everett at 503-201-0785 or better yet write to [BingoGOLR@yahoo.com](mailto:BingoGOLR@yahoo.com). With your help, we will make this the best fundraiser ever!

Gladstone High School WINTER Home Game Schedule - January 2023		
DATE	TEAM	GAMES
3-Jan	JV2 & JV Boys Basketball	vs Oregon City - 4:00 pm/5:30 pm
6-Jan	Girls Basketball	vs Stayton - JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
9-Jan	JV2 Boys Basketball	vs Wilsonville - 4:00 pm
10-Jan	Varsity Girls Basketball	vs North Marion - 7:00 pm
11-Jan	Swimming	at Molalla Aquatic Park - 4:00 pm
13-Jan	Boys Basketball	vs Cascade - JV2 & JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
14-Jan	Swimming	at St. Helens (Eisenschmidt Pool) - 1:00 pm
	Cheer	Competition at Sweet Home High School in the morning and then off to West Linn in the afternoon
15-Jan	Cheer	You are invited to attend the <b>Gladiator Cheer Challenge!</b> A Cheerleading competition like no other! The Gladiator Cheerleading team host this annual event to fundraise for their Nationals trip each year! (In case you didn't here...they WON Nationals last year!) Join us to support our amazing GHS team! Doors open at 8:00 am (use the Athletics doors) Competition starts at 8:30 am Admission is \$10 (cash or card)
17-Jan	Boys Basketball	vs Molalla - JV2 at 4:00 pm / JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
20-Jan	Girls Basketball	vs Madras - JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
21-Jan	Swimming	at Molalla Aquatic Park - 4:00 pm
	Cheer	Competition at Newberg High School in the morning and then off to David Douglas in the afternoon.
24-Jan	Girls Basketball	vs Crook County - JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
26-Jan	Boys Basketball	vs The Dalles - JV2 at 4:00 pm / JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm
26-Jan	Swimming	at Seaside (Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District) - 4:00 pm
31-Jan	Boys Basketball	vs Estacada - JV2 at 4:00 pm / JV at 5:30 pm / V at 7:00 pm

Schedule may change, sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

The GHS Booster Snack Shack will 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 competitions are not released until shortly before each event. If you would like more information, feel free to email Scotti Shaner at [shaners@gladstone.k12.or.us](mailto:shaners@gladstone.k12.or.us).

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.

**Free Preschool Focused on Playful Inquiry**

Thanks to a Preschool Promise Grant from the State of Oregon, the Gladstone Teaching Preschool recently added 10 free openings for students. Some spots are still available for low-income families. Apply now by contacting Chelsea Hamilton at 503-650-5680. The full day program serves children age 3 to 5 at the Gladstone Center for Children and Families [GCCF] a hub of early childhood programs and social services. The preschool is a partnership between Clackamas County's Education Service District, Gladstone Schools, and Teaching Preschool Partners.

The preschool is founded on a Reggio Emilia model, which encourages learning based on playful inquiry, hands-on activities, social interaction, and student-led storytelling. Teachers Joelle Flegal and Yahaira Sanchez lead students in songs, storytelling, counting, art projects, and play.

"We listen to children's interests and design class explorations around that," said Flegal. "Along the way, we help foster children's habits of mind, like focusing their attention to pursue an interest."

**Friends of Gladstone Nature Park**



The Friends of Gladstone Nature Park hosted dinner December 16th at Tukwila Springs. The potato bar featured some awesome chili, plus all the fixings. Dessert was provided by Mayor Stempel that included cake & ice cream. Thank you Nancy, Jim, Carey, Mindy, Lisa, Bill, Nancy & John for a memorable evening.

**GHS Grad Party Fundraiser**

Happy New Year Gladstone! The Gladstone Grad Party committee will be meeting Wednesday, January 4th at 7:00 pm in the GHS cafeteria. And the grad party families will be at the high school on Saturday, January 7th from 10:00 am—1:00 pm to collect your donations of bottles & cans, AND FOR ONE DAY ONLY, we will be collecting your Christmas trees for recycling. Donations accepted. See you all there!



**Local Telephone Numbers**

- City Hall General Business Line ..... 503-656-5225
- Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info ... 503-557-2771
- Municipal Court/Traffic Citations ..... 503-557-2772
- Public Works ..... 503-656-7957
- Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm ..... 503-557-2797
- Clackamas Fire District #1 ..... 503-742-2600
- Library ..... 503-655-8540
- Senior Center ..... 503-655-7701
- Recreation/Business License ..... 503-557-2766
- Planning ..... 503-946-9365 x206
- Electrical/Plumbing Permits ..... 503-742-4240
- Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance .. 503-557-2763
- Clackamas County Dog Services ..... 503-655-8628
- Gladstone School District ..... 503-655-2777
- Gladstone High School ..... 503-655-2544
- Kraxberger Middle School ..... 503-655-3636
- John Wetten Elementary School ..... 503-656-6564
- Gladstone Disposal Company ..... 503-656-9426
- Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV) ..... 503-299-9999
- Portland General Electric ..... 503-228-6322
- Northwest Natural Gas ..... 503-226-4211
- Comcast Cable ..... 1-800-934-6489
- Century Link ..... 1-866-642-0444
- Non-Emergency Dispatch ..... 503-655-8211
- (option 1 for police or fire calls)

Please respect those who choose to wear masks. Need help? Just phone, email, or visit us online at [clackamas.us/lib](http://clackamas.us/lib):

Gladstone Public Library, 135 E. Dartmouth St., Gladstone OR 97027 (503) 655-8540 [gladstone@lincc.org](mailto:gladstone@lincc.org)

Open hours: Monday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday: 10 am – 6 pm, Tuesday and Thursday: 12 noon – 8 pm, Wednesday: 10 am – 8 pm

• **LIBRARY CLOSED** to observe New Year's Day Sunday, January 1, 2023

• **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, January 2 or Monday, January 16, 2023!*

• **Kid Craft: Take & Make Craft Kits – Snowman Gnome** Sunday, January 8, 2023 (and while supplies last!). Take-home craft kits for kids appear on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month and are available to pick up at the Gladstone Public Library while supplies last. Most supplies and instructions are included. This month's *Snowman Gnome* kit glides in on January 8<sup>th</sup> – ask for yours at the desk!



↑ **Kids' Craft: Snowman Gnome**  
This month's *Take & Make* kids' craft is available Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> (and while supplies last)

• **OBOB Book Club** Wednesday, January 11, 2023 from 5-6 pm – Discussing "*Harbor Me*" by Jacqueline Woodson, Wednesday, January 25, 2023 from 5-6 pm – Discussing "*A Wish in the Dark*" by Christina Soontornvat. Join us at the library on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays to discuss Oregon's Battle of the Books (OBOB) titles from the 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade division (ages 9 and under with an adult). Visit our website's **Just for Kids** page at [clackamas.us/lib/kids](http://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.

• **LIBRARY CLOSED** to observe Martin Luther King Jr. Day Monday, January 16, 2023

• **Rock Readers Mystery Book Club (Virtual Meeting)** Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a virtual discussion of "*The Maid*" by Nita Prose. 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).

• **Clackamas County Library Advisory Board (Virtual Meeting)** Thursday, January 19, 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-library-advisory-board/#meetings](http://clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board/#meetings) for more information.

• **Adult Craft: Meditation Beads (18+ Years)** Saturday, January 28, 2023 from 2-4 pm. Olga is back to help you create (or continue) spiritual strands for prayer, meditation, and adornment – a great way to kick off the new year with intention! All supplies provided, but feel free to bring in small, personal items to add to your own unique piece. Registration required. Adults only, please.



↑ **Adult Craft: Meditation Beads**  
This month's adult craft class happens Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> (registration required)

**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](http://lincc.org), then click My Account, then Fines to display current amounts owing. Follow the instructions to submit your payment.

• **StoryWalk®** at the Gladstone Nature Park features the English/Spanish "*Días y Días/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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**City Meetings:**

- \***City Council**- 2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) - 6:30 pm—Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom
- \***Planning Commission**- 3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom
- \***Traffic Safety**- 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
- \***Senior Center Advisory**- 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](http://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 [gladstonenaturepark.org](http://gladstonenaturepark.org) or email [friendsofgladstonenature@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofgladstonenature@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.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org](http://www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org) or email [gladstonehistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:gladstonehistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates**

It's a new year, it's a new day, and we're feeling good about the start of construction on our new library. Our long fought dream is becoming a reality. Your support this past year has made a big difference to the County Commissioners when they were discussing funding for our new library building.

The Foundation is busy planning events for the year ahead. Watch for them in this newsletter.

As in the past, joining Fred Meyer's Rewards program and Amazon Smile 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/community-rewards>. 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: PO Box 146, Gladstone, OR 97027-0145, 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](mailto:GPLF.contactus@gmail.com). Thanks again for your continued support.

*The only thing that you absolutely have to know, is the location of the library.*

-Albert Einstein

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.

