

GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Gladstone Public Works Facility

In February, the City Council approved the City Administrator to move forward with the construction and completion of the voter approved Gladstone Public Works Facility. The City engaged in a Progressive Design-Build Procurement process and with the assistance of P&C Construction and Scott Edwards Architects a guaranteed maximum price contract in the amount of \$4,399,445 was executed. The funds are budgeted in the Public Works Capital Fund and debt service payments will be taken from enterprise funds (storm, sewer, water, streets) and a portion of parks for the next 18 years. The current facility is over 50 years old and in deplorable condition. "Our public works employees are first responders in



emergency situations, just like police and fire," states City Administrator Betz, "we need to have a facility that is safe, secure yet practical and functional for the public works employees to be able to do their jobs correctly." The next step in the process is to prepare a land use application for design-review (likely March) and a ground breaking is tentatively targeted for later this summer.

Exciting Enhancements at the Gladstone Senior Center Coming Soon!

In the next couple months, the Gladstone foyer of the center. Senior Center will engage the public in a Q: Will the center become a childcare center? seniors and the whole community. center to attract diverse multigenerational/ youth participation.

Mission: To enhance the vitality and wellness of a multigenerational community through meaningful connections.

Vision: To provide an enriching space for community connections. Encourage and provide space for group activities, meals, recreational classes, share information about health and wellness, as well as other social gatherings that occur within a community.

Question & Answer:

Q: Why does the center need to be renamed? A: The center is expanding its impact on the community, and will become an all-inclusive, multigenerational center serving all of the A: NONE. We are going to expand services! Gladstone community. The Senior Center Advisory Board supports the renaming, which will help more people feel welcome to opportunity for community connections. enjoy the wonderful opportunities available.



Q: How will the new name be chosen?

A: All interested community members will have an opportunity to submit a name for consideration. Ultimately, the best name change suggestions will be submitted to the City Council for a final decision. Start thinking of new names, and look for an the City newsletter, and a poster board in the

process to consider changing the name of the A: NO. The center will not accommodate any Q: Will these changes bring higher costs to child or adult day care.



Q: What senior services will be eliminated?

Many of the additional activities will be on weekends and evenings, giving everyone more

specific programs/services to seniors after the name change?

A: Yes, very much so! Our core participants are the 60+ community and that is not going to change. Seniors are the heart of our programming! Services and activities that occur during the day will continue with little impact. We are adding more opportunities and activities that will reflect and serve our Q: Who do I contact if I have a questions? more inclusive in our program offerings.

Q: How do seniors feel about this change?

A: The Senior Center Advisory Board is made up of mostly seniors who meet regularly and diligently consider every aspect of the center and its participants. They are in agreement with these new changes and understand the need for a broader appeal. Members of the community are invited to participate and upcoming survey on social media, as well as engage in conversations with the staff about

the positive changes that will benefit the

seniors for services?

A: While it is possible for some activities, such as bus trips and classes to have a nominal increase in order to support ongoing needs, there are NO plans to increase costs in the foreseeable future for our senior population. The center is subsidized by the City of Gladstone, funds from the Federal Older Americans Act via Clackamas County Aging and Disability Services, The Gladstone Senior Foundation, grants, and donations from individuals, like you. By opening the center up to more activities that are multigenerational, as well as evening and weekend activities, the center will create a stronger financial base.

Q: Will the center be open for more days/ longer hours?

A: While the center has always been available Q: What do the changes at the center mean for use in the evenings and weekends through for seniors? Will the center still provide rental agreements, these changes include a concerted effort to explore and expand the use of our space during these times. Some examples would be family celebrations, meetings, conferences, presentations to the community, company retreats, and events that draw the citizens of Gladstone to the center (Winter Holiday Marketplace, All Ages Community Bingo Nights).

multigenerational and diverse city, thus being A: If we haven't addressed your question here, please reach out to the Tiffany Kirkpatrick at 503-655-7708



City of Gladstone Annual Easter Egg Hunt!



Since 1955, the City of Gladstone has been hosting a Community Easter Egg Hunt.

This year, the hunt will be held on Saturday, April 8th, 2023, <u>beginning precisely at 11:00 am</u> 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). The hunt begins once the fire siren sounds. Parents are asked to let their children "find" their own eggs.

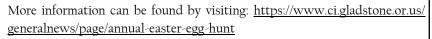
Please note: some eggs contain coupons for special prizes that can be redeemed either at the prize booth or location specified on the coupon.

If your child does not "find" any eggs, visit the prize booth and an organizer will ensure your child leaves with candy or a prize.

Donations: We are always looking for donations such as plastic eggs, prizes, wrapped candy, or monetary donation to assist in purchasing such items. Anyone interested in donating items or volunteering during the event is asked to contact Hayley Kratz at kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us.

Donations can be dropped off at the Gladstone Civic Center, 18505 Portland Ave., Gladstone.

This event is made possible by community sponsors such as The Old Spaghetti Factory, Gladstone Safeway, Auto Town Buick GMC, Professional Inventory Services, Kid Castle Cuts, North Clackamas Aquatic Park, Bullwinkle's, A-1 Income Tax & Bookkeeping, The Children's Course, The Tax Team, Gladstone McDonalds, Portland Japanese Garden, Portland Spirit, Oregon State University, Hollywood Beverage and many more!



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

Upcoming City Meetings

- Park & Recreation Advisory Board– Monday, March 13th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council- Tuesday, March 14th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Senior Center Advisory Board– Tuesday, March 21st at 3:30 pm, Gladstone Senior Center.
- Planning Commission- Tuesday, March 21st at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Clackamas County Library Advisory Board— Thursday, March 16th at 5:30 pm via Zoom: <u>clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board#meetings</u>
- City Council Work Session– Tuesday, March 28th at 5:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center

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

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 &	9,656.14	622.60
Maintenance	9,030.17	022.00
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

How to Fit a Bike Helmet

Clackamas Fire District wants children and families to ride their bikes as much as possible and to make sure you'll be safe while doing so. According to Safe Kids Worldwide, properly-fitted bike helmets can reduce the risk of head injuries by at least 45 percent – yet less than half of children 14 and under usually wear a helmet. Here are a few tips on how to fit a bike helmet.



- The helmet should sit level on the head and low on your forehead one or two finger-widths above your eyebrow. It shouldn't be tilted forward or backward.
- Center the buckle of the strap under the chin. On most helmets, the straps can be pulled from the back of the helmet to lengthen or shorten the chin straps.
- Buckle your chin strap. Tighten until it is snug, so no more than one or two fingers fit under the strap.
- Open your mouth wide...a big yawn. The helmet should pull down on the head. If not, readjust for a good fit.
- Remember to use hand signals and to follow the rules of the road. Be predictable by making sure you ride in a straight line and don't swerve between cars.
- Wear bright colors and use lights, especially when riding at night and in the morning. Reflectors on your clothes and bike will help you be seen.

Fentanyl Facts

The Gladstone Police Department has responded to several overdose. These are photos of counterfeit pills collected from a drug seizure in incidents related to Fentanyl over that last couple of years. There Oregon. seems to be a lot of information out regarding this drug, however, we want to share the facts with you. As you are aware, across the United States, fatal overdoses have increased as a result of Fentanyl and Gladstone is not immune from experiencing such tragic events. Fentanyl has proven to be a much stronger narcotic that should be avoided unless prescribed under professional medical care. Here are some facts about Fentanyl that we have obtained from the Oregon Health Authority:

illicitly manufactured fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that can be up to 50 times stronger than heroin and 100 times stronger than morphine. Because it is an illicit substance, its potency can change depending on the batch. It is a major contributor to fatal and nonfatal overdoses in the US, including Oregon.

Powdered fentanyl looks just like many other drugs that come in know how to decrease overdose risk. powder form. In Oregon, we have seen white and colored powdered fentanyl. It is commonly mixed with drugs like heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamine and made into pills that are made to resemble other prescription opioids such as oxycodone. Fentanyl-laced drugs are extremely dangerous, and many people may be unaware that their drugs are laced with fentanyl. It is nearly impossible to tell if drugs have been laced with fentanyl without the use of fentanyl test strips because fentanyl cannot be seen, smelled, or tasted. Oregon is experiencing an influx of counterfeit pills that contain fentanyl. Many of these pills are made to look identical to prescription opioids and are falsely marketed as legitimate. The majority of counterfeit pills resemble oxycodone 30mg pills (M30s), but can also mimic hydrocodone, alprazolam (Xanax), Adderall, and other medications.



Counterfeit pills are extremely dangerous because people purchasing them may think they are purchasing legitimate prescription medications. However, these fake pills may contain lethal amounts of fentanyl.

Distributors in the US are

selling counterfeit pills on social media, appealing to a younger, more opioid naïve audience that use these apps. Opioid naïve individuals are at high risk of accidental overdose because they do not have a tolerance for opioids, may not have access to naloxone, and may not

Fentanyl mixed with drugs or alcohol increases the likelihood of a fatal overdose. Naloxone is an opioid antagonist that rapidly reverses the effects of an opioid overdose. With a fentanyl overdose, two or more doses of naloxone may need to be administered. Always call 911 in the event of a suspected overdose.

if you have additional questions about illicitly manufactured fentanyl counterfeit pills, please contact Erin at: Erin.Porter@dpsst.oregon.gov

For more information and additional resources, please visit Oregon Health Authority website at www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ PREVENTIONWELLNESS/SUBSTANCEUSE/OPIOIDS/Pages/ FentanylFacts.aspx.

Please Keep Dogs on Leash

Residents are reminded when walking dogs in Gladstone or visiting Gladstone parks dogs are required to be on a leash or under the immediate control of its keeper, per Chapter 6.04 of the Gladstone Municipal



Code. Be a good neighbor and keep your dog on a leash and be mindful to pick up pet waste and dispose of properly.

Hanging Tree Branches



Public Works is asking residents to trim tree branches by cutting branches seven feet (7') above sidewalks and fourteen feet (14') above streets. Please cut your branches and place them in your yard debris cart. If Public

Works determines there is a risk of damage or injury, they may cut your tree branches without notice. During winter months, please remove portable basketball hoops from city streets to reduce interference with street sweeping.

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.



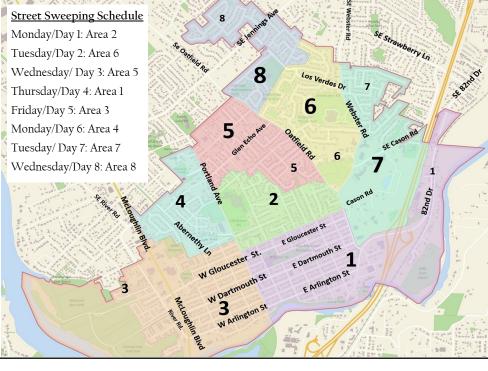
City of Gladstone Street Sweeping Schedule

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 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.



City of Gladstone—Senior Center

1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027

GLADSTONE SENIOR CENTER NEWS

SAVE the DATE: We will celebrate <u>42 years</u> as a community center in Gladstone!

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

Gladstone is GROWING!

Learn about exciting enhancements coming soon!

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Find a brochure with Questions/Answers; it's at the reception desk in the center.

We will roll out an **inclusive process** for re-naming the center and how you'll help us create this name, which will represent our community, vision and thoughtful creation of a multipurpose, and thus, multigenerational space/events/programs for families in Gladstone.



Questions: 503-655-7708 Tiffany Kirkpatrick, MA Community Services Manager, Gladstone Senior Center

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

BRUNCH + Free energy-saving tips class at 10am on Monday, March 6th, 2023 w/ Kurt Torgerson, an Energy Educator for Clackamas County

Learn techniques that you can use to immediately start saving on your utility bills will be offered. Info on new energy saving programs offered by PGE + NW Natural, for lower-income residents. Q + A will follow the presentation.

We will be serving a **nice yummy brunch on this Monday the 6th at 10a**, to trial, serving brunch on Mondays in the center. **Cost is \$4 for ages 60+ and \$5 for under 60yrs young. Need more info? Ask for Kitchen Coordinator 503-655-7701**



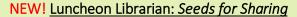
Ask for Deanna ——YES, we have rental spaces for your events! 503-655-7701

NEW! Living with a Chronic Condition or caring for someone with a chronic condition?

Weekly meetups started pm Monday Feb 27th and goes through

April 3rd 1pm to 3:30pm (join us for Lunch, which starts at 11:30a) sign-up/pre-register at

503-650-5796



Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone OR 97027 (503) 655-7708

Thursday, March 2, 2023 from 12:00-1:00 pm

Library representatives are partnering with the Gladstone Senior Center on first Thursdays to present various library-related topics. This month we'll discuss the Seeds for Sharing seed library program. Gladstone Senior Center lunch donation is \$4 for ages 60 and over, or \$5 for ages 59 and under (all ages welcome).

MARCH 2023

We are Open Monday through Friday 8:00am to 4:00 pm (503) 655-7701

www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc

SPRING FORWARD; Daylight saving time on **March 12th, 2023**

♦ ESTATE PLANNING Class on

March 22nd at 1Pm Call: 503-655-7701 to sign up

- John Wetten ElementarySchool visit/Lunch at
- ♦ Gladstone COMMUNITY BINGO NIGHTS; Friday, March 17th (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 SUP-PORT 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

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		LUNCH 11:30 Shoyu Chicken 1	LUNCH 11:30 Turkey and Bacon Club and mini salad 2	
	NEW MONTHLY OFFERING! Assistance on using your technology items; phones, etc. We'll have volunteers helping you learn about the mechanisms of your technology. YES, on-site here at the center starting on the 9th (will be on-site every other Thursday) call Michelle P.— 503-655-7701	Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 GROCERY SHOPPING— Must RSVP	Chair Exercise 10:30- 11:30 Luncheon Librarian Series—SEED LIBRARY intro and lunch in the dining hall Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage Clubs from 1p to 3pm TRIP TO LAKEWOOD THEATRE to see "Doubt	Adventure Trip: IKEA + Lunch the IKEA restaurant—\$11 AARP TAX CLINIC
BREAKFAST served at 10am—we are trialing Brunch on Mondays III 6	LUNCH 11:30 Pork Stew	LUNCH 11:30 Herb Chicken Patty and Gravy and Potatoes	A Parable" - \$8 LUNCH 11:30 Mexican Pasta Bake and Key Lime	
Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Special BRUNCH + Lunch—Energy Assistance Help- Billiard Rm.— 10a Zumba Gold—9a Tai Chi Beginner 10-11 Arts & Crafts 10	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 Rummikub, Scrabble + Cribbage Clubs 12:45p	Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 LIVE MUSIC: Jim	Chair Exercise 10:30- 11:30 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage Clubs from 1 to 3	AARP TAX CLINIC Pinochie 12:45 to 3:45 OPEN BOARD GAMES—come to play
Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Chronic Conditions Group—1p- 3:30p	JOHN WETTEN KIDS ACTIVITY + Lunch with us!	GROCERY SHOPPING— must RSVP	◆ HOW TO USE Technology (3pm-4pm) get help with your phones etc.	NO TRAM TRIP TODAY
13	LUNCH 11:30 Chicken Pastina and Broccoli Raisin Salad 14	LUNCH 11:30 Beef patty w/ pepper and onion granny and sweet potatoes 15	LUNCH 11:30 CORN BEEF + CABBAGE 16	Happy St. Patrick's Day
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3:30p	FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK by retired RN on-site	GROCERY SHOPPING— Must RSVP	Lunch + Learn w/Mia, on Parkinson's disease	ROTARY Community Bingo NIGHT Opens at 5pm
20	LUNCH 11:30 Mac and Cheese and Succotash 21	LUNCH 11:30 Beef Stroganoff and Green Peas 22	LUNCH 11:30 Spa- ghetti and meat sauce 23	
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27	LUNCH 11:30 Chicken and Rice	Pork Fried Rice 29	etc. Turkey Pot Pie 30	
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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.kl2.or.us Or call for fees/schedule 503-650-2570 FEE FOR THESE CLAS- SES	Would you like to get involved? We offer volunteer opportunities, outreach, and community involvement. We also have rentals spaces avaible. Please stop by and see us	Activities The Gladstone Senior Center offers daily free classes and activities. Tai Chi * Chair Exercise * Walking Groups * Arts & Crafts * Binso * Scrabble *	Rummikub * Cribbage * Grocery Rides/ Adventure Trips every week.

Street Signage Replacement Project



In 2019 the City began our Street Signage Replacement Project. This project included replacing all street signage within the eight city zones ensuring our compliance with the Manual of Unified Traffic Control Devices standards.

The City of Gladstone is divided into eight zones which most residents are familiar with based on the leaf program map. Working on one zone per year to replace all of the signage within the selected zone, crews are currently working in zone three; zones two, four and five are remaining. Once the project has been completed crews will replace signage on an as needed basis, for example if they are faded, vandalized, damaged or no longer legible.

How do we maintain our investment? Once a year based on our maintenance standards crews will go through the City and perform sign maintenance. Maintenance involves cleaning signage and removing vandalism if it is present, checking proper height, ensuring signage is level and clearing any vegetation that may be impairing sight of the signage.

Drinking Green Beer? Use a Designated Driver!

This year, St. Patrick's Day — March 17, 2023 — falls on a Friday. The celebratory day is one of the biggest drinking occasions of the year, and this, unfortunately, means more drunk drivers on the roads. With the holiday falling on a Friday, we can expect a fairly dangerous weekend for drivers and passengers alike. If you plan to drink, make sure you refrain from driving and make a plan to get home safely.



Drinking and driving is a risk no one should take. Doing so can cause injury or death to the driver, passengers, and others on the road. The consequences of drunk driving could be life-altering.

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.

For more information about the Buzzed Driving Is Drunk Driving campaign, visit www.nhtsa.gov/risky-driving/drunk-driving.

How to Report Potholes

Gladstone relies heavily on citizen involvement to keep streets safe. We encourage residents to report potholes and it's easy to do!



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.

Potholes can be reported easily by sending the Public Works Office an email at pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us or you can also call our office at 503.656.7957

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 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.

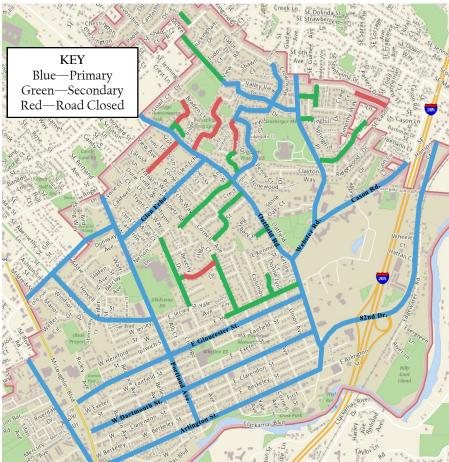
De-Icing Map

The City of Gladstone started utilizing magnesium chloride (MgC12) for the use of de-icing material is important to its effectiveness; it in 2019. Sourced from ODOT, it is an effective way to provide a safer cannot be put down on a wet surface and or below temperatures of road surface during winter driving conditions. Use of deicing agents 20°. help reduce the use of sand, which reduces impact on air quality, Operations management will prioritize major arterials and other water quality and aquatic habitat. Crews will work to lay de-icer collector streets to be cleared first as to maintain efficient vehicular down when conditions are optimal. Weather and roadway conditions 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.



Join us for the Gladstone Oak-Lodge Rotary Pancake Breakfast

The community is invited to the Gladstone Oak-Lodge Pancake Breakfast at Gladstone High School 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 [catch them if you can!] with sausage, juice, and coffee. 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 in Dick Baker Stadium at 11 a.m. sharp. Come together as a community and catch up with your friends and neighbors. You just might win some amazing raffle prizes!

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

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.

Bingo - March 17th



A reminder that Gladstone Oak-Lodge Rotary will be holding there monthly Bingo game with food and drinks on St. Paddy's Day, March 17th. We will be helped by the 8th grade graduation team this month. Money from the Bingo will be split with them

so come support there event and have some fun and food. I want to thank the city and senior center for there support and encouragement. It is open to all but we do have limited seating. We hope to expand shortly. Ticket sales start at 4:30, doors open at 5:10 and Bingo at 5:30. Come be a part of "Life at Night" in Gladstone. Thanks for your support. Please visit gladstoneoaklodgerotary.org for more info.

Mighty Moe Needs You!!!

We are also looking for volunteers to help run the Snack Shacks at all home activities and games. We will be sending out an email soon with a link to the SignUp Genius

game schedule...just add your name and info to the date & shift that you can help and we'll see you there! This is a great way to help your students' activities, clubs & teams. How you ask? Part of what Gladstone Boosters does is we raise money to help offset some of the costs of student activities/sports. When you volunteer in the

Snack Shack, the Gladstone Boosters will donate \$25.00 per shift worked to the activity/club/team of your choosing. This is also a fun way to interact with other families and the community at large. And there is no limit to how much you can earn each season! Join us at our next meeting Tuesday, March 7th, 6pm in the GHS cafeteria.

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 bspeulda@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 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.

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 email avanpelt@nwfs.org.



Hello all Gladstone Gladiators!

We are the Gladstone High School Booster Club, and we are looking for your help.

The simplest way that you can **ed Meyer** help support the Gladstone Boosters is by linking your

Fred Meyer rewards card to the Gladstone Booster Club and Fred Meyer will donate a portion of what you spend directly to the Gladstone Boosters at NO cost to you. Go to <u>FredMeyer.com/communityrewards</u>. Once there, you can link your card to an organization. Gladstone Boosters is organization number DT563.

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	
Senior Center	503-655-7701
Recreation/Business License	503-557-2766
Planning50	3-946-9365 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	
Century Link	
Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-655-8211
(option 1 for police or fire calls)	

Library News ~ 135 E. Dartmouth St. ~ 503-655-8540 ~ <u>gladstone@lincc.org</u> ~ <u>clackamas.us/lib</u>

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 Mon. and Wed. from 10:15-10:45 am. Enjoy your favorite storytime •NUEVO/NEW! Hora de Cuentos en books, songs, and games with Teacher Heather at the library! All ages welcome.
- •NEW! Luncheon Librarian: Seeds for Sharing, Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Ave., Gladstone (503) 655-7708 Thurs., March 2nd from 12:00-1:00 pm. Library representatives are partnering with the Gladstone Senior Center to present various library-related topics. This month we'll discuss the Seeds for Sharing seed library program. Senior Center lunch donation is \$4 for ages 60 and over, or \$5 for ages 59 and under (all ages welcome).
- •OBOB Book & Battle Club Wed., March 8th from 5-6 pm - "A Wish in the Dark" by Christina Soontornvat. Wed., March 22nd from 5-6 pm "Harbor Me" by Jacqueline Woodson. Meet us at the library to talk about Oregon's Battle of the Books (OBOB) 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.
- •NEW! Gardening: Guide to Spring Planting Thurs., March 9th from 6:30-7:30 pm. Join

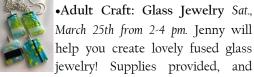
local garden experts Kay Everts and Arthur information on the day before). Moore to learn how to plan and plant your spring harvest! Be sure to visit our *Seeds for Sharing* seed library while you're here!

juegos en ESPAÑOL con Portland Early Learning. a later date. iGratis y divertido para todas las edades! Join us •NEW! Music: Arthur "Fresh on second Saturdays for Spanish Story & Play Air" Moore's Harmonica Party Time with Portland Early Learning. Free and Tues., March 28th at 6:30 pm. Local legend Arthur fun for all ages!

•Kid Craft: Take & Make Craft Kits - Cardboard Tube Bee Sun., March 12th (while supplies last!). Take-

are included- ask for yours at the desk!

- (Virtual Meeting) Thurs., March 16th at 5:30 pm. payment. Your Clackamas County Library Advisory •StoryWalk® at the Gladstone Nature Park more information.
- •Rock Readers Mystery Book Club Tues., March 21st at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a discussion of "Northern Spy" by Flynn Berry. Ask for your copy at library's front desk, then join the group to talk about it (staff



Español - Spanish Story & Play Time Sat., registration required (space is limited, classes March 11th from 10:30-11:00 am. ¡Acompáñenos el fill up fast). Adults only (age 18+), please. segundo sábado de cada mes por una hora de cuentos y Projects will need to be fired, and picked up at

"Fresh Air" Moore will be here with some cool blues to kick off our new monthly music programming! All ages will enjoy!

OTHER LIBRARY UPDATES AND INFO

- home craft kits for kids are available to pick •Fines and fees totaling at least \$1 can be paid up at the Gladstone Public Library while online using a credit card. Log into your supplies last. Most supplies and instructions account on lincolorg, then click My Account, then Fines to display current amounts owing. •Clackamas County Library Advisory Board Follow the instructions to submit your
- Board meets at 5:30 pm. Meetings are open to features the English/Spanish "Días y Días/ the public; visit <u>clackamas.us/lib/clackamas</u>. Days and Days" by Ginger Foglesong Guy. county-library-advisory-board#meetings for 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 can provide virtual or in-person meeting donations of books and media are being accepted (limit to ONE bag/box per visit).

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City Meetings:

*<u>City Council</u>- 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

*<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 *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

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 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

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates



Ah, spring is in the air! Of course, a few gray, rainy days still swirl around, but now's the time to get the garden ready. A 🛾 good place to start is the seed catalog in the library's Reading Room. Next, pop over to Twice Sold Tales and browse our great selection of gently used books, and maybe find one on

gardening. Price list is attached next to the shelves.

Also, keep checking here for upcoming events in the following months.

Fred Meyer Rewards program and Amazon Smile, help build our library. Just sign up, then link onto the Gladstone Public Library Foundation website listed below.

For Fred Meyer's, go to: https://www.fredmeyer.com/i/community/community/ rewards. For Amazon, link onto AmazonSmile, fill out the form and you're all set.

Donations may be made to: Gladstone Public Library Foundation, 135 E. Dartmouth, Gladstone, OR 97027, or to 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.

A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life – Henry Ward Beecher Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.