

Proposed Police Levy Renewal – Explained

In July, Gladstone City Council voted unanimously to send two tax levy renewals to voters that, if approved, would continue emergency services at current levels.

The first measure forwarded to the November 7 ballot – Measure 3-600 – asks voters to consider renewal of the tax levy that supports police services. If passed, the levy would maintain today’s police services—continuous and consistent police protection around the clock. Police staffing levels would remain unchanged.



The School Resource Officer contributes a police presence in classrooms across the city.

Sgt. Eric Graves has served as School Resource Officer for seven years. Over the years, Sgt. Graves has watched students grow and mature, and gotten to know a number of their families. His greatest distinction was being granted a diploma as an “Honorary Senior” by one graduating class.

The levy also supports the popular K9 officer program. Nanuk is a 7-year old German Shepherd born in Slovakia, the independent nation that’s east of Austria and north of Hungary. At an early age the dog was trained in Germany for obedience, tracking and protection. Nanuk’s training was then adapted for police work.

At home in Gladstone since January 2019, Nanuk’s duties as patrol dog include tracking and apprehending suspects, tracking missing persons when needed, locating weapons, protecting police officers, and searching buildings – among others.

Nanuk’s partner/handler, Officer Dustin Olson, describes Nanuk’s personality as “super personable”. “He’s a very friendly dog, comfortable around adults and children,” says Officer Olson.

The dog’s treats are limited due to food allergies. For rest and relaxation, he enjoys chewing on an indestructible hard rubber toy.

If approved, the police levy would cost \$0.68 per \$1,000 or around \$165 per year on a typical home with a taxable value of \$242,000 (not market value).

“Over the past 25 years, the tax rate for this levy has never changed—and this measure guarantees it won’t increase for the next five years. The current rate is locked in,” says Mayor Michael Milch.

The proposed levy is a renewal request – not a new tax. The police levy was first passed by Gladstone voters in 1998, then reauthorized in 2002, 2008, 2012, and 2018.

“I like that Gladstone voters get to decide again on the operating levy every five years,” Councilor Veronica Reichle says.

Election Day is November 7. Ballots will be mailed starting October 18—no stamp required.

To learn more, go to www.ci.gladstone.or.us.

One program that is supported by the levy is the Gladstone Police Department’s School Resource Officer. The Department assigns a uniformed officer to Gladstone School District along with a high-visibility vehicle that captures students’ attention. The School Resource Officer works in all four Gladstone schools, from kindergarten through high school. As a liaison, this officer makes connections with the School District, teachers and students, building familiarity and trust. At times, the School Resource Officer teaches classes, conducts safety demonstrations, participates in recess games and serves breakfast to the elementary school children.



Nanuk joined Gladstone’s police force in 2019.

Upcoming City Meetings

- Park & Recreation Advisory Board- Monday, October 9th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council- Tuesday, October 10th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Community Center Advisory Board- Tuesday, October 17th at 3:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Planning Commission- Tuesday, October 17th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council Work Session- Tuesday, October 24th at 5:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.

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

Vacancies on Boards Commission and Committees

Are you looking for a new opportunity to serve in your community? Consider applying to serve on one of the 6 active City board, commissions or committees. Recruitment is underway for 18 open positions to be filled January 2024.

At the December 12, 2023 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments and re-appointments to the following boards, commissions and committees:

- Two (2) terms on the Planning Commission;
- Four (4) terms on the Budget Committee;
- Four (4) terms on the Traffic Safety Advisory Board;
- Three (3) terms on the Park & Recreation Advisory Board;
- Two (2) terms on the Community Center Advisory Board;
- Three (3) terms on the Audit Committee.

Applications can be found on the city’s website: www.ci.gladstone.or.us/bc or by visiting Gladstone Civic Center, 18505 Portland Ave.

Applications must be submitted to bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us or dropped off at the Gladstone Civic Center by 5:00 p.m. on December 5, 2023.

Public Works Under Construction

Gladstone Public Works will remain open during the construction of the Public Works Facility Project. The office is now located at the back of the existing lot, which can be accessed via Watts Ave.

You may contact the Public Works office Monday-Friday, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm at 503.656.7957 or via email at PWOoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us

Election Ballot Drop Box



The Special Election ballots will be mailed on October 18th - please note this is not a county-wide election and will only effect residents residing in the cities of Gladstone, Molalla, or West Linn; the Aurora, Hoodland, or Riverdale fire districts, or the North Clackamas, Silver Falls, or West Linn-Wilsonville school districts. The County and City have installed a permanent outdoor drop box located in the parking lot of the Civic Center, 18505 Portland Avenue (enter on Duniway Avenue). This will allow 24 hour accessibility. Voters can drive through to drop off ballots.

Recruiting Committee Members!

The Gladstone Community Center Advisory Board is looking to create an “Ad Hoc Committee” specifically to help plan the Community Center’s Winter Market. Members will interface with the staff of the center, and other center volunteers and general public.

The Winter Marketplace will be held on Saturday, Dec 9th from 10 am-5 pm at 1050 Portland Ave in Gladstone. Committee members will complete a City Ad Hoc application to volunteer, be selected by the Advisory Board/center staff based on interest, availability, and skill level. Youth—Adults encouraged to apply.

This specific task role (Ad Hoc member) may be able to do some of the work remotely, if needed. The time commitment for Ad Hoc members is between October 20th and Dec 9, 2023, at which time the Ad Hoc

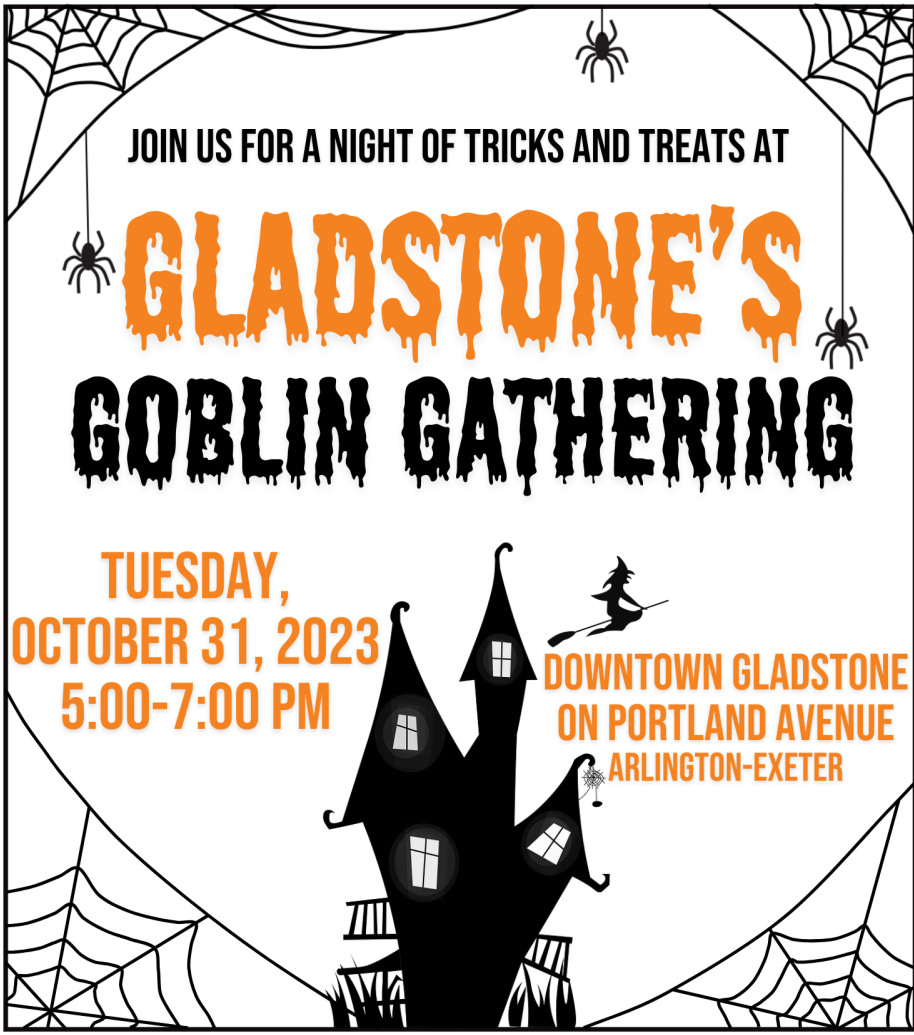


Committee would conclude. Members will have specific roles/positions to assist in putting together the Winter Holiday Market for the Gladstone Community Center.

Examples of Community Center Winter Market Committee positions are Community Event Evaluator, Media Coordinator, Event + Entertainment Coordinator, as well as other positions.

These are temporary positions for this specific purpose - Ad Hoc Committee for the Community Center Winter Market.

Please email Community Service Manager, Tiffany Kirkpatrick at kirkpatrick@ci.gladstone.or.us or call: 503-655-7701



If your business or organization would like to reserve a spot to place a tent to hand out candy or other goodies, please email Hayley Kratz at kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us
Setup will begin at 4:00pm, breakdown complete by 7:30 pm



Political Signs



Local elections take place on November 7th. Before posting political signs, here are some helpful reminders: *no application or fees are required to post a sign on your own private property; *Residential properties may have two temporary signs with a total maximum size of 16 square feet for both signs; *No sign shall extend into the public right-of-way; temporary signs must observe half of the zoning district setback – which typically means the signs must be back 10 feet from the street property line, not the curb line; *No sign shall be attached to a tree or utility pole. For sign details, see Chapter 17.52 of the Municipal Code at <https://www.codepublishing.com/OR/Gladstone/#/Gladstone17/Gladstone1752.html#17.52>

Sign-up to Receive Flash Alerts



Want to sign up to receive Emergency Alerts for the City of Gladstone? Learn how to sign up for Flash Alerts by visiting www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/how-subscribe-flash-alerts.

Is Your Contact Information Up to Date?

It is important that the City have your most up-to-date contact information. When we reach out to you, we are sharing important information about your water/sewer account as well as informing you of a water emergency on your property. We want to make sure you are aware of any unexpected problems that may arise.



Please fill out the form below with your current contact information and submit it with your utility payment, drop it off at City Hall or complete the account update form by visiting our website at: www.ci.gladstone.or.us/finance/webform/utility-account-form.

If you have any questions, please contact our Utility Billing Department at (503) 557-2771. Thank you for your assistance.



Utility Account Number:

Gladstone Address:

Phone Number 1:

Phone Number 2:

Email address:

Meldrum Bar Parking Kiosk

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

	FY 22/23	FY 23/24
Revenues:		
July	15,747.00	14,120.00
August	14,525.00	8,932.00
September	8,383.00	
October	4,963.00	
November	1,525.00	
December	1,718.00	
January	4,921.00	
February	4,006.00	
March	6,687.00	
April	4,370.00	
May	13,571.00	
June	12,064.00	
	92,480.00	23,052.00
Expenditures:		
Contractual Services	1,312.70	1,312.70
Credit card fees	4,142.57	474.03
Operations & Maintenance	2,888.18	312.07
Year to date	8,343.45	2,371.80
Net Profit (Loss)	84,136.55	20,680.20
Cumulative Balance (beginning 06/2021)		\$ 125,712.57

Cooking Safety From Clackamas Fire District

October is Fire Prevention Month and this year's theme, "Cooking safety starts with YOU. Pay attention to fire prevention" encourages everyone to be mindful of safety in the kitchen when cooking.

Here are a few tips:

- Keep anything that can catch fire — oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels, and curtains — away from your stovetop.
- If you have a small (grease) cooking fire on the stovetop, smother the flames by sliding a lid over the pan and turning off the burner. Leave the pan covered until it is completely cooled.
- If there is a small fire in the oven, turn off the heat and keep the oven door closed.
- If you have any doubt about extinguishing a small cooking fire, just get out! When you leave, close the door, and call 9-1-1 from outside the home.

10 Tips for Source Water Protection

Many activities can pollute local waterways. Not only does this harm the environment, but it affects our drinking water supply and can make us, our children, and our pets sick. Do your part to help keep our waterways healthy with these 10 tips:

1. Dispose of household chemicals, fats, oil, and grease, paint, and prescription medications the right way. Check for local recycling programs, drug take-back events, and freeze your grease instead of pouring it in your sink.
2. Keep your car maintained to prevent brake fluid, oil, grease, coolant, and antifreeze leaks. Use a drip pan until repairs can be made.
3. Use natural methods to control weeds and insects in your landscape. Toxic chemicals can wash into local waterways, unintentionally harming plants and animals.
4. Use slow-release, OMRI labeled fertilizer or compost on your lawn once a year in fall. Overfertilizing causes harmful algal blooms (HABs) that impact our water supply and our ability to fish, swim, and boat in local streams and lakes.
5. Drain and backflush pools and hot tubs onto your lawn or a sewer cleanout pipe, not street drains. Pool and spa chemicals are harmful to fish and other animals that depend on clean streams and rivers.
6. Clean up after your pet by bagging pet waste and putting it into a trash can. When it is washed into local waterways, pet waste can make algae grow which is unhealthy for plants and animals that live there.
7. Take your car to a commercial car wash that recycles and filters its wastewater. If you prefer washing your car by hand, use phosphate-free soap and a shut-off nozzle for your hose. Make sure the soapy water doesn't run into storm drains – instead divert it into your lawn with some old towels.
8. Choose environmentally-friendly cleaning supplies. Use the EPA list of Safer Choice Standard certified products to find supplies for your home or business.
9. Sweep paved areas rather than hosing them down. This will prevent dirt, chemicals, and debris (like leaves) from washing into storm drains and clogging pipes.
10. Wipes clog pipes! “Flushable” wipes aren't actually flushable and can clog pipes and cause expensive repairs to homeowners and sewer backups at wastewater treatment plants. Put moist wipes, disinfecting wipes, baby wipes, facial tissues, and paper towels in the garbage can.

Curbside Leaf Pick-up Program

Gladstone Public Works is happy to provide the annual leaf pick up schedule for 2023. The Public Works Department asks that residents follow the simple guidelines below, together we can make our Curbside Leaf Pick-up Program a success!

First Round of Leaf Pick-Up

Area 1 & 2	Oct. 16 th – Oct. 20 th
Area 3, 4, 5	Oct. 23 rd – Oct. 27 th
Area 6 & 7	Oct. 30 th – Nov. 3 rd
Area 8	Nov. 6 th – Nov. 10 th

Final Round of Leaf Pick-Up

Area 1 & 2	Nov. 13 th – Nov. 17 th
Area 3 & 4	Nov. 27 th – Dec. 1 st
Area 5 & 6	Dec. 4 th – Dec. 8 th
Area 7 & 8	Dec. 11 th – Dec. 15 th

Please have your leaf pile ready for pick-up by the first day of your area's designated pick-up schedule. While it is important to have your leaves ready for pick-up by the first day on your schedule, please remember that leaves placed in the street too far in advance of leaf pick-up will cause the leaves to wash into our storm drains, increasing the risk of flooding in your neighborhood. Best practice is to put your leaves out for pick-up the day before your area's first scheduled day.

Please have your leaves placed in one large pile in the street, at least one foot from the curb. This extra space between the curb and the leaf pile allows water to drain into the city's storm basins. With the rainy season coming, any help you can provide to keep your neighborhood's stormwater catch basins clear of leaves and debris will benefit both you and your neighbors. A rake is all it takes!

Do not block: Bike lanes, sidewalks, pathways, mailboxes, driveways, or intersections with leaf piles. Keep leaf piles separate from garbage cans and yard debris bins.

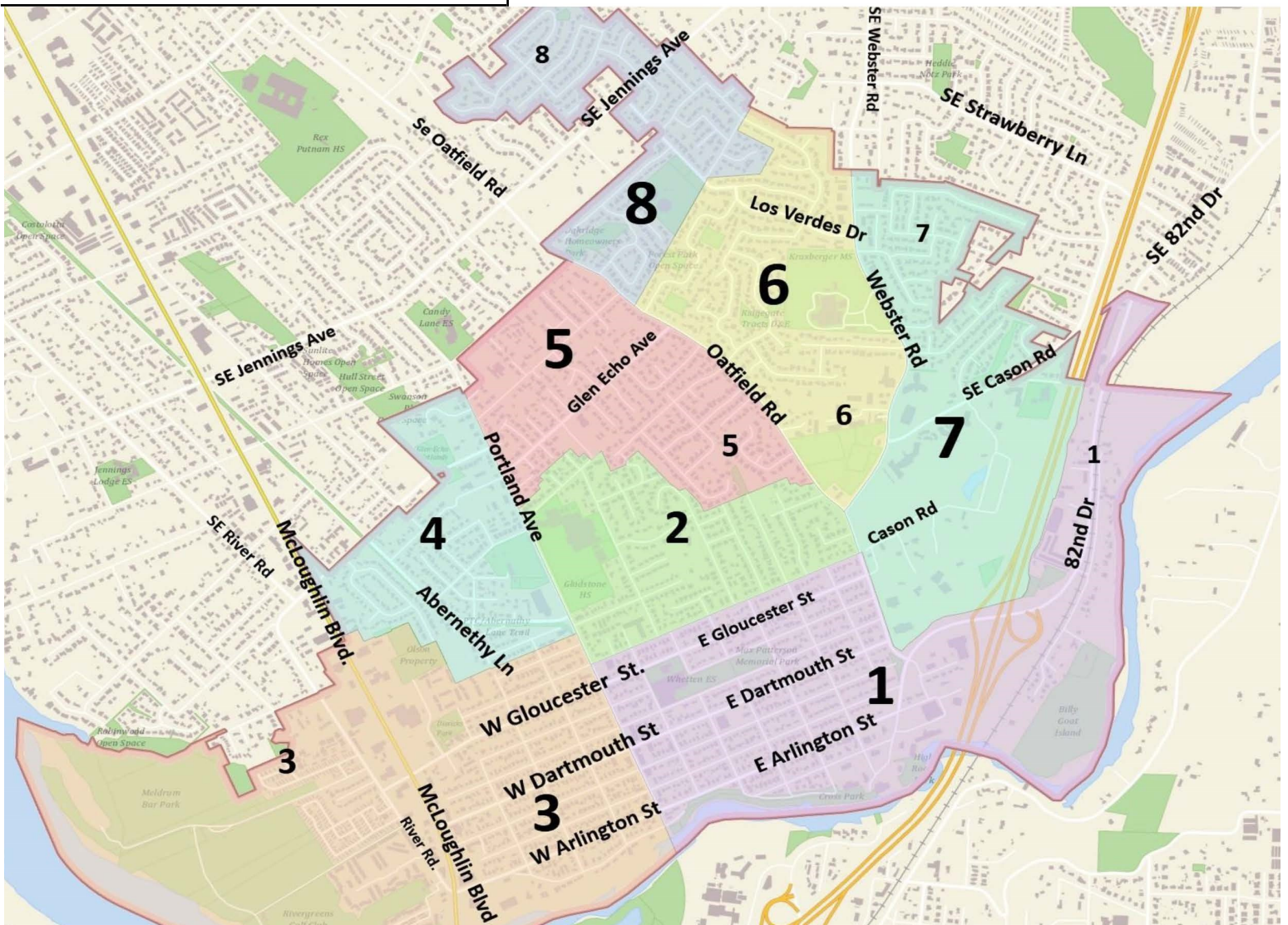
Remove any obstructions: Including basketball hoops and parked cars, to allow for the leaf pick-up equipment.

Crews will not pick up: Yard debris, tree branches, grass clippings, construction materials, or garbage during leaf pick-up operations. Please do **NOT** place these items in your leaf piles!

Please place small piles of leaves in your yard debris bin! Let's keep small piles out of the street!

Missed Leaf Pick-up? From January 2nd to January 12th, residents may contact the Public Works Department to schedule leaf drop off at the Public Works Yard. Please note that due to construction, an appointment is required. This is for Gladstone resident ONLY. Address verification is required.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 503 656-7957 or e-mail our office at PWOffice@ci.gladstone.or.us. Office hours are weekdays, from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Our staff and crew look forward to serving you!



October 2023



City of Gladstone—Gladstone Community Center

—the spirit of generations—

1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027



**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

SAVE THE DATE:

Party is Sponsored by:

Gladstone Seniors Foundation

Sat. Oct. 28th 4pm-5:30pm

50th Anniversary Party!

Dinner is served + Slideshow

Join us for a celebration of catered Italian cuisine, music, and photography captures (by Jal/Bonnie Duncan), to honor couples of 50th years together and beyond.

We welcome you to **sign up 503-655-7701 or at the center.**

Have some photos you'd like us to share for the slideshow?

Please bring **before Oct 20th.**



**Adventure Trips
planned weekly**

Sign up starting

Monday, Oct. 2nd:

Oct 6th: Sauvie Island Pumpkin Patch & lunch at Ichabods. 9 to 2:30. \$15.

Oct 13th: Breakfast at Columbia Gorge Hotel's Simon's Cliff House. Afterwards we will attend the Hood River Harvest Festival for fruit, veggies and crafts. Ice Cream at Cascade Locks on the way home. 8:30-5:00. \$40.

Oct 20th: A walk on the grounds of Elk Rock Garden followed by lunch at Backyard Burger. 10:00-2:30. \$21.

Oct 27th: We will go to Lan Su Chinese Garden followed by lunch at The Golden Horse Restaurant. Cultural Pass available from the library. 9:30-2:30. With Pass \$29. Without Pass \$43.

PHONE 503-655-7701 to Sign-up



Holiday Market Vendor Applications OPEN

You are Invited to a

Winter Holiday Market

Enjoy the excitement of Gladstone Community Center's 2nd Annual Winter Market event, 40+ handmade/craft makers and vendors for your holiday shopping, food and drinks to purchase, LIVE MUSIC + Photos w/ Santa.

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December
2023

1050
Portland
Ave

Gladstone Community Center

Start at

10:00a
—
5pm

FREE ENTRY

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

For More Information:
503-655-7701



Vendor applications OPEN Oct.

**1st—Nov. 1st Pick up at center or
email: prusso@ci.gladstone.or.us**

FREE Fire Prevention Training

Presented by:

Clackamas County Fire will be
here at **5pm-6pm**

Oct 25th


Free Women's Clothing Swap

The Gladstone Community Center will be facilitating its first clothing swap. Please arrive between 1:45 and 2pm to lay out your clean undamaged women's clothing shoes jewelry bags hats scarves to pass on. Please bring your reusable shopping bag to shop for your new items. A Mirror and Changing divider will be provided. All items left over will be donated to Desert Industries Thrift Store.

Oct 16



MOVIE DAY—Wednesday at 1pm
Community Room
Featuring: The King + I
Free Popcorn and Root Beer Floats
ALL AGES **Oct 18th**



MONDAY 10/2	TUESDAY SALISBURY STEAK 10/3	WEDNESDAY CHICKEN CHILI 10/4	THURSDAY PASTA 10/5	FRIDAY 10/6
Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 Rummikub, Scrabble + Cribbage Clubs 12:45	Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 GROCERY SHOPPING—Must RSVP	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub, Canasta, Cribbage Clubs 12:45p till close Lunch N Learn: Library, What's an "EBOOK"?	Crochet Club 10-11 OPEN BOARD GAMES come in to play Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 ADVENTURE TRIP: Sauvie's Island Pumpkin Patch, Lunch @ Ichabod's
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10/16	SPAGHETTI 10/17	CHICKEN BAKE 10/18	BEEF SUKIYAKI 10/19	10/20
Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 2-4 FREE WOMEN'S CLOTHING SWAP 	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Bingo 1 to 3 Rummikub, Scrabble + Cribbage Clubs 12:45p ***LIVE MUSIC **MEDICARE / SHIBA OPEN Enrollment ** 1pm—4pm Representatives will be on-site here at the community center to answer all questions and help you enroll or change.	Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 AM GROCERY SHOPPING—RSVP 1pm- MOVIE DAY Featuring the King & I & enjoy Root Beer Floats	Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 Rummikub, Canasta, Cribbage Clubs 12:45p till close Medicare presentation 10-11 **LIVE MUSIC	Crochet Club 10-11 OPEN BOARD GAMES come in to play Pinochle 12:45 to 3:45 ADVENTURE TRIP: Walk at Elk Rock Garden's, Lunch at Backyard Burger in West Lynn All AGES / ROTARY Community Bingo
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50th Anniversary Party
 Let's Celebrate—
 dinner tomorrow: Saturday,
 Oct.28th,
 4pm-5:30pm



Gladstone Back Then

From Gladstone Historical Society Historian, Kim Argraves Huey

This month, we offer a little of this and that.

First: Thank-you to everyone who tried to help us discover the location of the second Wells' store. Despite some terrific "ideas", we didn't solve the mystery. The result was that votes were evenly divided between the stores being two different buildings and the second building being a major overhaul of the first. We're still looking for an answer. Photos available for viewing at: GladstoneHistoricalSociety.org.

Second: Do you live in an older house? Are you wondering about its history? At our October Historical Society meeting, Oak Lodge History Detective Mike Schmeer will share all the tips and tricks of how to research the history of your house. Please join us! Bring your questions! Free presentation. Thursday, Oct. 19, at 6:30 in the Civic Center Community Room,

Next: We get lots of questions. Here are two that might be of interest to others. "Do I remember a store on Clackamas Blvd near the bridge that we used to drive across?"

Your memory is great! In 1898, W.J. Rauch built a dry goods store at the intersection of 82nd. Dr. and Clackamas Blvd. The store sold groceries and animal feed. Later, Mr. Rauch erected a large covered shed for the convenience of travelers. About 1912, the store became a popular stop off between Portland and points east. By 1926, the Rauch Store was called the "Three-Way Inn" and featured groceries, a lunch counter, ice cream, and a gas station. For many years, the Three Way was a favorite place for Clackamas River summertime swimmers to buy "treats". The building, which burned in 1973, was located where the Gladstone DMV now sits.



The Three-Way Inn in 1926

Also, "Are there any good, old-time, Gladstone Halloween stories?" It depends on the meaning of "good". In 1893, the favorite prank of kids who were feeling "tricky" on Halloween was to abscond with barber poles and hide them in nearby barns, followed by stealing road signs and wagon wheels, which also went in nearby barns. In 1897, kids were now stealing front gates, lengths of fences, and posting signs on stores announcing "bogus" sales. In 1912, a group of boys stole a farm wagon and set it adrift in the river. They were caught and arrested. In 1913, a group of girls tried their luck at the same trick. When they got caught, all they received was a scolding. Both wagons were rescued. The Halloween madness came to an unexpected halt when a group of boys decided to dismantle Hiram Straight's outhouse and hide the pieces in many barns. This time, Judge Cross caught the culprits and had them arrested. Their punishment was a scolding and to have their names printed in the newspaper along with their crime. The next year, to avoid more "public humiliations" from kids running wild, it was decided to encourage churches to hold Halloween parties.

Don't miss our latest Historical Slide Show at the Gladstone Civic Center: "Gladstone's Military History". For the latest happenings visit our website: www.GladstoneHistoricalSociety.org.

Preparing Your Yard for Fall and Help Eradicate Mosquitos

Now that summer has come to an end, it is time to think about fall yard cleanup. Clackamas County Vector Control District (CCVCD) has provided things residents can do to help with mosquitoes:

- Eliminate standing water. The first 3 stages of a mosquitoes' life require water. Eliminate the water and they can't reproduce in your yard. The tough part is that only a bottle cap full of water is enough water for mosquitoes to breed in. Make sure your normal yard items like sandboxes, wagons, plastics toys, plant saucers, dog bowls, gutters, and the areas under your downspouts aren't providing the mosquitoes with a breeding ground.
- Getting rid of unneeded vegetation such as tall grass around shrubs and bushes will eliminate the plant nectar found under leaves and on vegetation that mosquitoes like to hide in. You can get rid of their hiding spots by keeping your yard mowed and tidy.
- Remove grass debris clippings, piles of leaves, stacked branches, and other types of unneeded debris that attract mosquitoes and their breeding habits. Keep firewood stacked off the ground so there is good air flow between the wood to prevent mosquitoes.

Here at CCVCD, we are committed to controlling flying vectors (mosquitoes and flies) in Clackamas County and have developed a program to tackle this issue. We offer free property inspections, mosquito fish for ponds and pools, and educational presentations to help you protect yourself from mosquitoes.

To learn more visit fightthebites.com where you can request services, watch educational videos, and stay alert with their news and updates. Or simply call (503) 655-8394 between the hours of 6:30 AM and 5 PM, Monday-Thursday. Feel free to stop by our office where you can pick a copy of our 2024 calendar. Don't forget to like us on Facebook too!



Before There's an Emergency: Get Ready. Get Water

Start your emergency prep with water. People can survive for weeks without food, but only a few days without water. This makes water the key ingredient in your preparedness efforts. You need enough water to last 14 days - that's how long it could take for help to arrive in the Portland area after a major earthquake. Experts predict that a big earthquake will take water services and other vital systems offline. Your goal is to have one gallon of water per person per day.

You will use your emergency water for cooking, hygiene, and drinking. Include more water to your kit if your household includes people with special needs or pets.



Storing an emergency water supply is simple

Your emergency water supply can consist of bottled water that you buy from the store, or you can fill your own containers. If you buy bottled water, be sure to keep it in its original container and do not open it until you need to use it.

If you use your own container, make sure that it has a tight seal, is made of food-grade plastic or steel designed to hold water, and is properly sanitized before you fill it with tap water.

Sanitizing Your Container

Use dish soap and clean water to wash your container and its cap thoroughly.

Rinse your container well with clean water.

Mix one teaspoon of unscented liquid household chlorine bleach with four cups of water.

Pour the bleach water mixture into your container, replace the cap, and tighten.

Vigorously shake your container for 30 seconds, making sure all of the surfaces are covered.

Pour out the bleach water and let your empty container air dry.

Filling Your Sanitized Container

Fill your container to the very top — be careful not to touch the opening with your hands or the faucet as this might contaminate your water or container.

This step varies slightly depending on where your water comes from:

From a well or other untreated source: you will need to add 1/8 teaspoon of bleach per gallon

From a water provider, like a city: you do not need to add bleach to your water because it is already treated

Place the cap back on. Be careful not to touch the bottom or inside of the cap as you place it on the container, and make sure it is on snugly.

Label and date your container so that you know when you filled it.

Water Storage Do's and Don'ts

DO buy bottled water from a store or use your own container to store water

DO use food grade containers like those found at most camping or outdoor stores or two-liter soda bottles

DON'T use containers that are made of glass, jugs that previously held milk or juice, or containers that were used for chemicals or bleach

DO change out your water about every 6 months (it won't go bad, so if you need it in an emergency and it's older than six months go ahead and use it)

DO store as much water as you can (if needed, start small and build up your supply)

DO store your water in a cool, dark location (if possible)

For more information on how to start your emergency kit as well as other great information to know in case of an emergency, please visit Regional Water Providers Consortium's website at www.regionalh2o.org/emergency-preparedness

Gladstone Nature Park Friends Introduce Event for Dogs



The Friends of Gladstone Nature Park (FOGNAP) are hosting their first annual Nature Park Dog Fest.

Dogs and dog owners are invited to the Gladstone Nature Park on Saturday, October 14, from noon to 3pm to celebrate our four-legged friends.

The Nature Park Dog Fest will feature games and prizes, including a dog Halloween Costume contest. A number of

vendors will offer services and supplies for pets. Participants can also get a holiday photo snapped at the photo booth. A demonstration of dog CPR, hosted by Dr. Jeremy Riddle, from Bound to Happen herbal supply, will help owners know what to do in a pet emergency. Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary Club will sell hot dogs and cider in the Beer Garden. Gladstone canine police officer, K9 Nanuk, will be on hand for photos and autographs.

Admission is free and open to the public. Parking is available at the Nature Park or in the LDS church parking lot on Cason Road. All dogs must be under the owner's control (6 ft leash) at all times.

Dog Fest is sponsored by the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park, the Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary Club and the City of Gladstone.

For more information email: friendsofgladstonenature@gmail.com

Halloween Safety Tips

Everyone loves a good scare on Halloween, but not when it comes to the safety of those little trick-or-treaters. Fortunately, there are lots of easy things parents and kids can do to stay safe on the spookiest of holidays.

Top Tips for Halloween Safety

1. Carry glow sticks or flashlights, use reflective tape or stickers on costumes and bags, and wear light colors to help kids see and be seen by drivers.
2. Join kids under age 12 for trick-or-treating.
3. Slow down and be alert! Kids are excited on Halloween and may dart into the street. Turn on headlights early in the day to spot kids from further away.
4. Remind kids to cross the street at corners or crosswalks.
5. When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls. Choose face paint over masks when possible. Masks can limit children's vision.

50 Cent Book Sale October 21

The Clackamas Bookshelf will have HUGE book sales from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 21 and Sunday, November



The Clackamas Bookshelf

19. All titles are 50 cents or less [cash only, please]. Find us at Kraxberger Middle School campus, 17777 Webster Road.

Proceeds help us provide books to kids across Clackamas County, including Gladstone! For more info, visit www.theclackamasbookshelf.org/ Book donation drop off is welcome at the events, or you can donate books at the drop box inside Les Schwab on Highway 212.

Free Clothes for Babies, Kids, and Teens



The Gladstone Kids Clothes Closet is open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. It is on Gladstone High's campus off Nelson Lane. The facility provides free, gently-used clothing, shoes, and jackets, plus new socks and underwear.

Clothing donations [only kid sizes and styles, please] are welcome during shopping hours.

GHS Grad Party Fundraiser



The fundraising committee for The Class of 2024 is holding a can & bottle drive to raise money for the drug and alcohol free grad party. Please bring your empty cans and bottles to the Gladstone High School parking lot on Saturday, October 14th, from 10am-1pm. The class of 2024 appreciates your support.

Report a Streetlight Problem

Know of a streetlight that's out, flickering or on all day? PGE manages all streetlights in the City of Gladstone. To report a streetlight that is having any issue make note of nearest address and information located on the pole tag (the 3-inch round or oval metal tag located at eye level on the pole). Then visit <https://portlandgeneral.com/outages-safety/report-a-streetlight-problem> to report the problem.



Get Social

Connect with the City of Gladstone, Gladstone Police Department or Gladstone Senior Center on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter! Follow us to help stay up-to-date with all the latest news and events happening around you.



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
Clackamas Fire District #1	503-742-2600
Library	503-655-8540
Community Center (formerly 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 Center for Children & Families	503-496-3939
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
Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm	503-557-2797
Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-655-8211
	(option 1 for police or fire calls)

Gladstone High School			
FALL Home Game Schedule - October 2023			
DATE	TEAM	GAMES	
2-Oct	Volleyball *	JV vs. Molalla - 4:30pm (Main Gym)	Varsity vs. Molalla - 6:00pm (Main Gym)
3-Oct	Girls Soccer	JV vs. Estacada - 4:00pm	Varsity vs. Estacada - 6:00pm
5-Oct	Varsity Football	vs. Parkrose - 7:00pm	
7-Oct	Cross Country	Paul Mariman Invitational - 12:00pm	Philomath High School
10-Oct	Boys Soccer	JV vs. Molalla - 4:00pm	Varsity vs. Molalla - 6:00pm
11-Oct	Cross Country	Estacada Invitational - 3:30pm	McIver State Park
12-Oct	Volleyball *	JV vs. The Dalles - 4:30pm (Main Gym)	Varsity vs. The Dalles - 6:00pm (Main Gym)
	Girls Soccer	JV vs. Madras - 4:00pm	Varsity vs. Madras - 6:00pm
16-Oct	Volleyball *	JV vs. Estacada - 4:30pm (Main Gym)	Varsity vs. Estacada - 6:00pm (Main Gym)
	SENIOR NIGHT	JV Football vs. Estacada - 4:30 pm	
17-Oct	Girls Soccer	JV vs. Crook County - 4:00pm	Varsity vs. Crook County - 6:00pm
19-Oct	Varsity Football	HOME COMING! vs. The Dalles - 7:00 pm	
	SENIOR NIGHT for Football, Cheer, Dance, Cross Country, Band & Choir		
20-Oct	Boys Soccer	JV vs. The Dalles - 4:00pm	Varsity vs. The Dalles - 6:00pm
24-Oct	Boys Soccer	JV vs Estacada - 4:00pm	Varsity vs Estacada - 6:00pm
25-Oct	Cross Country	Districts	McIver State Park

Schedule may change without notice, sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

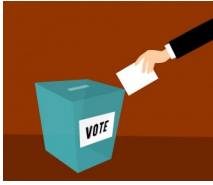
* This game will charge admission: \$6 Adults, \$4 Students (Free for Seniors 62+, GHS ASB Cards, Tri-Valley & OACA Gold Cards, District ID and GHS Athletic Passes).

** This game is an Endowment Game. Admission is \$6 Adults, \$4 Students; NO passes accepted.

Yes; we have a few THURSDAY night Varsity Football Games.

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.

Sign up to Track Your Ballot!



Trust that your vote counts with simple, secure, mail ballot tracking! Know where your ballot is in the voting process — from mailed to accepted.

As a Clackamas County voter, you can sign up to receive alerts via text, phone, or email. Know when your ballot is mailed to you. After you vote and return your ballot, be alerted when it has been accepted for counting. Your vote remains anonymous and confidential.

Sign up online for *Track Your Ballot* by visiting <https://ballottrax.clackamas.us/voter/>. This service is free for the voter. If you have any questions, please call Clackamas County Elections at 503-655-8510 or email us at elections@clackamas.us.

City Hall—18505 Portland Ave
 Police Department—18505 Portland Ave
 Fire Department—555 Portland Ave
 Public Works Dept.—18595 Portland Ave
 Senior Center—1050 Portland Ave
 Library—135 E. Dartmouth St.

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 — Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom
 - ***Community Center Advisory**- held monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 3:30 pm — Gladstone Civic Center and Zoom
- Copies of all City meeting packets and agendas can be found on the City's website at: www.ci.gladstone.or.us

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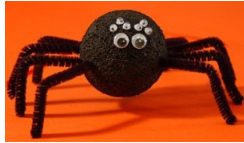
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Open Hours:

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**- Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:15 am – 10:45 am. Enjoy your favorite storytime books, songs, and games with Teacher Heather on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:15 am at the library! All ages welcome!
- **Kid Craft: Take & Make Craft Kits** – Spooky spider! Sunday, October 8th (and while supplies last!) Take-home craft kits for kids appear on the 2nd Sunday of each month and are available at the Gladstone Public Library while supplies last. Most supplies and instructions are included.



This month's Spooky spider kit will creep in on October 8th – ask for yours at the desk!

- **Hora de Cuentos en Español** – Spanish Story & Play Time- Saturday, October 14th from 10:30am. ¡Acompáñenos el segundo sábado de cada mes a una hora de cuentos y juegos en ESPAÑOL con Portland Early Learning. ¡Gratis y divertido para todas las edades! Join us on second Saturdays for Spanish Story & Play Time with Portland Early Learning. Free and fun for all ages!
- **Rock Readers Mystery Book Club**- Tuesday, October 17th at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a discussion of *The Stranger Diaries* by Elly Griffiths. Ask for a copy of the book at

the Gladstone Public Library's front desk, then call or email the library at 503-655-8540 or gladstone@lincc.org for meeting information.



- **Music: Josh English** – Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30 pm. Known for his ability to paint pictures with his lyrics and break your heart with melodious vocals and intuitive rhythms. Josh English's all-original music is not to be missed! All ages welcome!

- **Adult Craft: Felted Pumpkins (18+ Years)** – Saturday, October 28th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Create a felted pumpkin with LeBrie's help; supplies provided. Register in person at the library or by phone at 503-655-8540. Ages 18+ only please.



OTHER LIBRARY UPDATES AND INFORMATION

- **Gladstone's Goblin Gathering!** Calling all goblins on Tuesday, October 31 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Stop by the Gladstone Public Library for a trick or treat surprise!
- **StoryWalk® at the Gladstone Nature Park** features the English/Spanish "Spectacular Spots" by Susan Stockdale. 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.
- **Our Seeds for Sharing** seed library is stocked and open. Visit clackamas.us/lib/seeds-for-sharing to review the seed catalog, then stop by the library to check out your seeds (up to twelve varieties per day)!

Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates



Fall is here and so is our Halloween Books and treats give-away. This annual favorite, for kids of all ages, will be held in the library parking lot on Tuesday, Oct. 31st, from 5-7 pm.

Visit our website at: <https://gpl-foundation.org> and view pictures of the old library. Photos of the new library will be posted as building progresses. It may be slow going, but if you get a chance, drive by the new location at 525 Portland Avenue from time-to-time and see the changes for yourself.

Donations of 2 bags/ boxes per visit of newer, gently used books and media are now being accepted at the library.

PLEASE NOTE: we can no longer take magazines, text books, reference books, VHS tapes, old book series such as, Time/Life, or torn books.

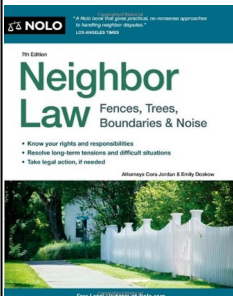
Interested in serving as a Foundation Director? For information, email us at: GPLF.contactus@gmail.com. Donations to the foundation can be sent to: Gladstone Public Library Foundation, 135 E. Dartmouth, Gladstone, OR 97027, or online at: <https://gpl-foundation.org>.

Every penny earned and/or donated, goes to support our library. Thanks once again for your continued support.

In the nonstop tsunami of global information, librarians provide us with floaties and teach us to swim. – Linton Weeks, NPR correspondent

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read.

Neighbor Law



The City receives requests from residents about issues between neighbors that the City doesn't regulate.

These issues include: to place trash and recycling cans out of public view, not to feed stray cats that may attract unwanted pets to a neighbor's yard or place of business, 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.