

CITY HALL BRIEFS

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Celebrating the Passage of Time

By: Mayor Michael Milch



Recently a close friend of ours found a creative way to celebrate her 70th birthday. As a child, she was allowed to have as many birthday party guests as her age that year. But she knew that to follow that guideline now would be a financial and logistical challenge.

So instead, she sent a letter to seventy of her women friends describing in detail the ideal setting and menu and activities for an imaginary in-person party. She asked her friends to visualize and enjoy the images of such a gathering “over the miles and many intersections of life” from which they had come to know each other.

She also shared a quotation from Swiss philosopher Henri Frederic Amiel: “Life is short, and we have never too much time for gladdening the hearts of those who are traveling with us. Oh, be swift to love, make haste to be kind.”

We often note that local government moves at a glacial pace, so reminders that “life is short” and to “be swift” and “make haste” might seem out of place. But the progress being made at two sites on Portland Avenue is a daily reminder that very soon we will gather to celebrate the openings of a new Public Works Facility and a new Public Library, two events sure to gladden the hearts of those who have traveled the path toward their completion.

As we begin a new year, the daylight hours slowly begin to lengthen and give us new opportunities to reconnect with neighbors and friends. As noted elsewhere, 2024 marks the 50th volume of the City of Gladstone newsletter, first published in 1975.

Returning to the subject of birthday celebrations, 1975 was also the year that plans got underway for local observance of the national Bicentennial. Many of our longtime and former Gladstone residents will recall the monument that briefly stood (and caused numerous car collisions and skinned knees) on Dartmouth Street near the old City Hall. I hope a new generation of Gladstonians will discover a creative way to unite our community with festivities on July 4, 2026 to commemorate the Semiquincentennial. It’s never too early to begin making plans.

50th Year for Gladstone’s Newsletter!

This year marks the 50th volume for the City of Gladstone newsletter! In honor of the past 50 years, we will be taking a walk down memory lane to see the changes the header of the once called “City Hall Briefs” has made over the years. We will start with the very first newsletter that was sent out to Gladstone residents on October 20, 1975. This hand drawn image of the water treatment facility was printed in black on a legal (8”x14”) sized piece of white paper. It was used until May 19, 1976.

Upcoming City Meetings

- Park and Recreation Advisory Board- Monday, January 8th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council- Tuesday, January 9th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Community Center Advisory Board- Tuesday, January 16th at 3:30 am, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Planning Commission- Tuesday, January 16th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Traffic Safety Advisory Board- Monday, January 22nd at 6:00 pm, Gladstone Civic Center
- City Council Work Session- Tuesday, January 23rd 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

City Closures

All Gladstone City offices will be closed on January 1st as well as January 15th.

Payments may be placed in the silver drop box located in the center of the Civic Center parking lot, next to the ballot drop box. Other payment options can be found on the City’s website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/online-payments

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 \$0.8207 per unit is included in the block rates, passed along to residents from the water treatment plant.

From 1-6 units	\$ 1.83 per unit
From 7-10 units	\$ 2.89 per unit
Units greater than 10	\$ 3.94 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.

18505 Portland Avenue
Gladstone, OR 97027
web: www.ci.gladstone.or.us
phone: 503.656.5225

Account Number: 01-00054-00
Bill Date: 01/31/2024
Due Date: 02/10/2024
Service Dates: 12/31/23 To 01/31/24
Customer Name: CHARLES AMES
Service Address: 123 HAPPY ROCK AVE

Message Center

Description	Meter	Read Date	Previous Reading	Current Reading	Volume (CCF)	Charge
Water Charges						
Water - Base Rate	7812	1/8/23	756	762	6	\$32.46
Water - Consumption						\$10.98
Water Subtotal						\$43.44
Sewer Charges						
Sewer Treatment						\$29.30
Sewer Collection						\$36.29
Sewer Subtotal						\$65.59
Storm Water Charges						
Storm Water						\$14.85
Storm Water Subtotal						\$14.85
Total New Charges						\$123.88
Previous Balance						\$120.24
Adjustments						\$0.00
Less Payments Received						(\$120.24)
Total Amount Due						\$123.88

Message Center

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.

If full payment is not received within 5 calendar days after current bill due date, a \$7.00 late fee will be added to the account. Statement due date applies to current charges only. Any previous unpaid balance is due and payable immediately to avoid shut off.

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

CITY OF GLADSTONE
18505 PORTLAND AVENUE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027

Customer Name: CHARLES AMES
Service Address: 123 HAPPY ROCK AVE
Account Number: 01-00054-00
Due Date: 02/10/2024
Amount Due: \$123.88

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

1301 1 AV 0.498 3/296 001313 0001:0001
CHARLES AMES
123 HAPPY ROCK AVE
GLADSTONE, OR 97027

Amount Enclosed \$

Important Notice Regarding the False Alarm Reduction Program for the City of Gladstone

In order to reduce the number of false alarms and increase time for police officers to respond to emergencies and other legitimate calls for service, the City of Gladstone has a standing Alarm Ordinance (Municipal Code, Chapter 5.60).

As of November 27, 2023, the City of Gladstone has partnered with Alarm Program Systems, LLC/CitySupport to administer the Gladstone Alarm Program. The new mailing address, website address, phone number, and email address are provided below:

For existing accounts: To manage your account visit gladstoneor.citysupport.org/

For new accounts: To register for an alarm permit visit gladstoneor.citysupport.org/licenses

Per Ordinance, every residence or business operating an alarm system in Gladstone must obtain a permit and renew it on an annual basis.

	New Permit Fee	Renewal Permit Fee
Residential & Commercial (1yr Term)	\$25	\$25

It is the responsibility of the property owner to ensure that the alarm system is in proper working order at all times. False alarms can be a drain on police services and are subject to fines according to the following schedule (counted during the course of a permit year):

Contact Details for Alarm Program Systems/CitySupport

Website: <https://gladstoneor.citysupport.org>

Phone: (888) 865-9770

Monday-Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM PT

Email: gladstoneor@citysupport.org

Mailing Address: Gladstone Alarm Program, PO Box 6112, Concord, CA 94524

False Alarm Occurrence	Fee
1	\$0
2	\$50
3	\$100
4+	\$150 (each)

Tis the Season for Frozen Water Pipes

Cold weather means your water pipes are at risk of freezing. When water freezes in a pipe, it expands causing enough pressure to be exerted that it can potentially rupture. Repairing a pipe burst is conceivably one of the most costly home maladies a homeowner can face.

Ways to Prevent your Pipes from Freezing:

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 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.

Call a licensed plumber.

If a pipe has broken at your property and you need assistance with temporarily shutting off your water at the meter, the Public Works Department encourages you to contact them at (503) 656-7957.

Investing in Gladstone's Infrastructure

Gladstone invested little or nothing in maintaining, updating, or replacing infrastructure for many years. Small or no increases in some years meant Gladstone's rates didn't keep up with inflation. That led to severe deficiencies in the integrity of the utility systems. To address these problems, the Gladstone City Council committed to catching up on infrastructure needs to maintain the health and long-term vibrancy of the City. These rate increases give us a program and funds for ongoing replacement.

After extensive public outreach, the significant rate increases began in 2018 and have stabilized to where the City only needs to increase rates by 4% for inflationary purposes.

The rate increases will allow the City of Gladstone to:

- Continue to operate and maintain its infrastructure
- Comply with state/federal regulations and avoid costly violations; and
- Replace water/sewer stormwater infrastructure on a 100-year cycle beginning with:
 - ➔ \$2.2 million on addressing inflow and infiltration deficiencies in the City's stormwater and sewer system (by end of 2024).
 - ➔ \$750,000 for the rehabilitation of the 82nd Drive Pump Station that was built in the 1970s (complete by end of 2025)
 - ➔ \$3 million for the Sherwood Forest asbestos pipe replacement (begin construction in 2025)
 - ➔ \$750,000 towards capital improvements for water and sewer systems in the overlap area with Oak Lodge Water Services (complete between 2024-27).
 - ➔ \$400,000 for the Evergreen Ln. Storm line replacement (complete by the end of 2024)

We understand that utility rate increases can be difficult for families in the community to budget for. The City has an assistance program that offers discounts for low income households. Information can be found at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/finance/page/low-income-utility-assistance-program

Meldrum Bar Parking Kiosk Revenues

FY 23/24

Revenues:	
July	\$ 14,120.00
August	\$ 8,932.00
September	\$ 6,324.00
October	\$ 3,295.00
November	\$ 2,206.00
December	
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	

Year to Date Revenues

\$ 32,671.00

Volunteers – Gladstone Needs You!

Are you looking for a new opportunity to serve in your community? If so, consider applying to serve on a City board, commission or committee. Recruitment is underway for 3 open positions to be filled in 2024.

One (1) terms on the Audit Committee;

One (1) terms on the Traffic Safety Advisory Board;

Let your voice be heard by sharing your experience, expertise and time. You can provide valuable insight from the citizen's point of view to the operations of the City and the City Council's decision-making process.

To obtain an application and information about serving on a committee, board or commission, visit the city's website at <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/bc>, email

bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us, call 503-

557-2769 or stop by City Hall at

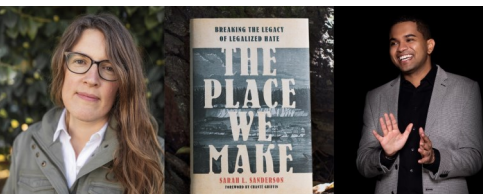
18505 Portland Avenue.

Applications must be returned by

5:00 p.m. on February 6, 2024.



Community Conversation: Local Author Faces Family History of Racial Injustice



Join Gladstone author, Sarah L. Sanderson, and the founder of the Oregon Remembrance Project, Taylor Stewart, for a discussion about "Holding Difficult Truths: Transforming Our Broken Past into a Hopeful Future." Sanderson will share how she has grappled with the discovery that her ancestors worked to uphold Oregon's anti-Black exclusion laws. Together, Sanderson and Stewart will talk about what we gain from uncovering difficult truths—including right here in Gladstone—and how to transform those challenges into opportunities for a new future.

Taylor Stewart is the founder and Executive Director of the Oregon Remembrance Project (ORP). He started the ORP in 2018 to help communities unearth stories of injustice and engage in the necessary truth telling and repair required to reconcile instances of historical harm.

Sarah L. Sanderson is the author of *The Place We Make: Breaking the Legacy of Legalized Hate*. She lives in Gladstone with her husband and four children, who all attend or recently graduated from Gladstone Public Schools.

Their conversation will take place at the Gladstone Community Center, 1050 Portland Ave., on January 10 at 6:00 pm.

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 (MgCl₂) 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.



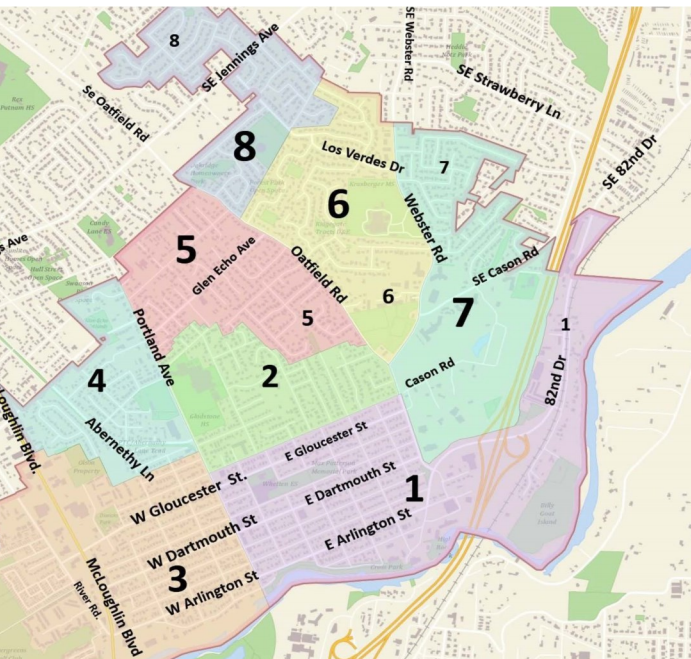
Gladstone Street Sweeping Schedule

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

Street Sweeping Schedule

- Mon./Day 1: Area 2
- Tues./Day 2: Area 6
- Wed./ Day 3: Area 5
- Thurs./Day 4: Area 1
- Fri./Day 5: Area 3
- Mon./Day 6: Area 4
- Tues./ Day 7: Area 7
- Wed./Day 8: Area 8



A New Playground has been Installed at Meldrum Bar Park!

The new equipment is colorful and inviting for a wide range of children thanks to its two separate ADA Compliant play areas.

While it is not quite ready for the public, stay tuned as there will be an announcement for an upcoming ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate its opening.

The city is excited to share this new feature with the community very soon!



Leaves Welcome at Public Works

Gladstone Public Works has completed curbside leaf pickup for the season. Residents can still bring any remaining unbagged leaves from their yard down to the Public Works yard, free of charge! This service is welcomed through January 12th.

Please keep in mind that this is for loose leaves only, not yard debris.

It is also an offer for residents only, not contractors or landscapers.

Due to construction, please call ahead. (503) 656-7957. The yard is temporarily accessible from Watts Ave.

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 PWOffice@ci.gladstone.or.us



City of Gladstone - Gladstone Community Center

1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone 97027

503-655-7701



January 2024



- January 1st CLOSED
- January 10th Sarah Sanderson Book Talk. 6 pm
- January 15th Closed
- January 23rd Lunch N Learn

NEED HELP WITH YOUR PHONE OR COMPUTER ???

We are here to help. Come to the Gladstone Community Center on the 1st and 4th Wednesday of every month from 2 pm to 4 pm. We have volunteers on hand to help you with all your technology needs! Bring Your Device. Free!

LUNCH is served every Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday @ 11:30 am.

We have the BEST salad bar in Gladstone! We often have live music or "Lunch N Learns". Suggested donation is \$4. See you here!



New Activities Starting in 2024



- BUNCO, Mondays @ 1 pm
- Walking Group, Monday, Wednesday and Friday @ 10 am
- Bridge Group, Fridays @ 1 pm

January LUNCH N LEARN'S @ 11:30 am

January 9th SMART- Pair children with volunteers for weekly reading sessions and give children books to keep. Learn how!

January 23rd Presented by Providence Elder Place - PACE is a program of all inclusive care for the elderly, serving primarily Medicaid eligible seniors 55 and older. With both a private pay and Medicaid option, Elder Place PACE is unique as both an insurance and provider. One of only 135 PACE programs in the nation, it is a participant driven approach to aging that focuses on keeping seniors living independently for as long as possible. Bring your questions!

**Come Support The Gladstone Historical Society!
Gladstone Oak Lodge ROTARY Presents
Community BINGO Night January 19th @ 5 pm**

Call to sign up for February 10th AARP SMART

DRIVER™ COURSE Claim your safe driver discount! When you take the AARP Smart Driver course, you could be eligible for a multi-year discount on your auto insurance. Plus safer driving can save you more than just money. The course teaches proven driving techniques to help keep you and your loved ones safe on the road. Plus, AARP members save over 20% on the classroom course!



Movie Day & Root Beer Floats January 19th



We have a movie every 3rd Wednesday of the month in The Community Center Library. This month we are enjoying the classic "Singin' In The Rain". The movie will begin at 1:00 pm just after lunch. Free!

DID YOU KNOW...





WE HAVE EVENT SPACE FOR RENT?



The Gladstone Community Center offers 3 beautiful rental spaces, a commercial kitchen and a lush garden space! We have great rental rates. Please stop by or go online today to reserve your next meeting or event. <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc>



January 2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 New Year's Day 	2 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Teriyaki Meatballs Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	3 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 LUNCH 11:30 Fish Sandwich Pinochle 12:45-3:45	4 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Lima Bean/Turkey LIVE MUSIC Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00 ADVENTURE TRIP	5 Crochet Club 10-11 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bridge 1-4
8 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bunco 1-4	9 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Meatloaf Potatoes Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00 LUNCH N LEARN "SMART" Reading	10 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 LUNCH 11:30 Meat Spaghetti LIVE MUSIC Pinochle 12:45-3:45	11 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Sweet & Sour Chicken with Rice LIVE MUSIC Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	12 Crochet Club 10-11 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bridge 1-4 ADVENTURE TRIP
15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 	16 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Biscuits & Gravy Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	17 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 LUNCH 11:30 Thai Chicken & Rice Pinochle 12:45-3:45 MOVIE DAY 1-3 Library	18 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Beef Fried Steak LIVE MUSIC Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	19 Crochet Club 10-11 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bridge 1-4 Community BINGO  ADVENTURE TRIP
22 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bunco 1-4	23 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Roasted Turkey Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00 LUNCH N LEARN	24 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 LUNCH 11:30 Parmesan Chicken LIVE MUSIC Pinochle 12:45-3:45	25 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Spanish Rice Bake LIVE MUSIC Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	26 Crochet Club 10-11 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bridge 1-4 ADVENTURE TRIP
29 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bunco 1-4	30 Chair Exercise 10:30-11:30 LUNCH 11:30 Mac & Cheese LIVE MUSIC Bingo 1-3 Rummikub, Scrabble, Cribbage & Board Games 12:45-4:00	31 Tai Chi Advanced 9-10 Tai Chi Intermediate 10-11 Tai Chi Beginner 11-12 LUNCH 11:30 Breaded Fish Pinochle 12:45-3:45	WALKING GROUP EVERY Monday Wednesday Friday @ 10 am 	Community School Programs Include Yoga, Zumba, Painting and more. Please contact Jennifer Ingram at 503-650-2570 for more information.

Thursday Jan 4th: Lakewood Theatre for "A Tomb With A View." Leave the SC at 6:30 & return around 10. Cost \$22.

Jan 12th: Lunch out at the Red Lobster in Gresham. Leave the SC at 11:00 & return by 2:30. Cost \$18.

Jan 19th: We will explore the Evergreen Aviation Museum which is home to the world famous Spruce Goose. Lunch will be at the museum café which serves sandwiches and wraps. Leave the SC at 9:00 & return by 3:30. Cost is \$47 without pass or \$25 with the cultural pass from the library.

Jan 26th: Let's find a treasure at Value Village in Tigard. Afterwards we will go to Banning's Restaurant and Pie House. Leave the SC 9:30 and return by 1:30. Cost \$20.

Feb 2nd: We will dine out at Kumi Buffet in Happy Valley. Leave the SC at 11:00 and return by 1:00. Cost \$15.

Gladstone Back Then

From Gladstone Historical Society Historian, Kim Argraves Huey

Save the date: January 3, 2024, is the release of a new slideshow at the Gladstone Civic Center, a presentation about the first people of Gladstone, the Clackamas Tribe. Also on display, a model of a Clackamas indigenous village created by Amy Otto's 7th-grade history classes at Kraxberger Middle School.

This past November, the Gladstone Historical Society was thrilled to spend the day with teacher Amy Otto and her 7th-graders as they learned about Gladstone history, along with an emphasis on the heritage of the Clackamas people. Here are reflections from the students about their enriching experience:

-Sammy Dean: "I thought it was interesting how the Clackamas Tribe became a part of the Grand Ronde. When they did, their individual tribe identities blended with the other tribes."

-Ella Cason: "I learned that the Clackamas Chinook went to the Willamette Falls to get eels and fish to eat."

-Becca Beaty: "The Clackamas Tribe used the Pow Wow Tree for ceremonies. Gladstone has the last remaining Pow Wow Tree in the United States."

-Annabelle Oswald: "Something I learned was the Clackamas Tribe had meetings under a Pow Wow Tree, which is located in Gladstone. I also learned that they loved blue beads and they never traded them to other people."

-Ashtyn King: "One thing interesting I learned from Kim Huey is that the Clackamas Chinook Tribe chose to be hunter-gatherers instead of farmers."

Mrs. Otto's "Gladstone History Day" also included a class project of creating a replica village of the Clackamas people, which the students want to share with the residents of Gladstone. Be sure to stop by the Civic Center and view their historic and artistic talent.



Paul Kane (1810–1871) was an Irish-born Canadian artist known for his significant contributions to documenting the Indigenous peoples and landscapes of North America in the 19th century. His journeys were sponsored by the Hudson's Bay Company, and his goal was to create a comprehensive visual record of the Indigenous peoples and their ways of life.

Kane's artistic work primarily consisted of detailed sketches and paintings depicting Indigenous individuals, their customs, ceremonies, and landscapes. He aimed to capture the diversity of Indigenous cultures and present a more nuanced and accurate portrayal than the prevailing stereotypes of the time. The Diary of Paul Kane offers a peek into history as he details a game he witnessed being played between some members of the Clackamas Tribe, near where the Clackamas River and the Willamette River converge:

"Two were seated together on skins, and immediately opposite to them sat two others, several trinkets and ornaments being placed between them, for which they played. The game consists in one of them having his hands covered with a small round mat resting on the ground. He has four small sticks in his hands, which he disposes under the mat in certain positions, requiring the opposite party to guess how he has placed them. If he guesses right, the mat is handed round to the next, and a stick is stuck up as a counter in his favor. If wrong, a stick is stuck up on the opposite side as a mark against him."

For all our latest happenings, meetings, and a calendar of guest speakers, visit our website: www.GladstoneHistoricalSociety.org.



Stormwater Friendly De-icing Practices

Winter brings many fun activities like sledding, snowball fights, and wintery site seeing. But, winter also means snow to shovel and layers of ice to remove from our sidewalks and driveways. We often make the job easier by applying de-icers like salt. Besides sodium chloride, many de-icers also contain chemicals such as cyanide. When ice melts, the de-icing salts and chemicals dissolve and flow into storm drains that travel to our waterways, endangering water quality and aquatic life. Here are a few tips to help reduce the use of de-icers and prevent pollution to our waterways.

Help Prevent Stormwater Pollution this Winter!

1. TRY AN ALTERNATIVE. Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) was developed as a de-icing alternative because it has fewer adverse environmental impacts compared to salt and does not cause corrosion. CMA is especially recommended for environmentally sensitive areas.

2. REDUCE YOUR SALT/DE-ICER USE. By limiting the amount of salt/de-icer we use on our sidewalks and driveways, we can reduce the amount of polluted stormwater draining to our waterways.

3. USE DE-ICING PRODUCTS BASED ON WINTER CONDITIONS. Before applying a de-icer to your sidewalk or driveway, think about the air temperature, potential for sun exposure, and how much product you will need. Remember to follow the directions on the label carefully and use products sparingly. It is easy to over apply de-icers, but applying more than needed won't melt the ice any faster.

-For dry, powdery snow: Shovel or sweep snow immediately to avoid using de-icer.

-For wet, heavy snow: Apply de-icer product as soon as snow begins to fall in order to prevent it from bonding to surfaces.

-For sleet and freezing rain: Apply de-icer product early in the event to prevent ice from building up.

-For significant snowfall: When more than 2 inches of snow falls, plow or shovel first and then use a de-icing product to melt any underlying layers of ice that may have accumulated under packed down snow.

The most important step is to physically remove as much ice as possible before applying salt. Use a shovel to break up the ice before adding an additional layer of salt to the sidewalk or driveway. Adding more salt without removing what has begun to melt can lead to over application, which leads to more salt and chemicals polluting our waterways.

You can also reduce the use of salt and de-icers by limiting access to your home or business to one entrance only. For every door entrance that is not used, there will be less salt and de-icers draining into storm drains and polluting our waterways.

John Wetten Students Participate in Shop with a Cop Program

Gladstone Police Department officers and students from John Wetten Elementary had a great time on Dec.

2 at the Shop with a Cop event put on by the Clackamas County Peace Officers' Benevolent Foundation. Donations from our community and proceeds from the foundation's Officer Mulligan Golf Tournament fund the program.



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 by February 1, 2024.

Gladstone City Newsletter

The City of Gladstone newsletter is a great way to share upcoming community events with the residents of Gladstone. Articles regarding community events can be submitted to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us on or before the 18th of each month to appear in the following month's newsletter. Article guidelines can be found at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/city-newsletter

2024 Business License Renewals

Business Owners and Operators: Business license applications have been mailed!

You will notice the biggest change to this year's business license renewals is the ability to pay online for all business license fees. Visit www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/online-payments to make a payment online. Please note: Business Licenses will not be considered received until the business license payment AND application have been received.

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. Business license applications may be downloaded from the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us. Questions can be emailed to bl@ci.gladstone.or.us

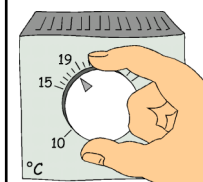
Get Social

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.



Energy Assistance

Clackamas County Social Services facilitates the Energy Assistance Program, which may be able to assist low-income households with a payment toward heating bills. There is assistance available for a variety of energy needs, including electric, natural gas, oil, propane, wood and pellets. Eligibility is based on the total gross household income received by all adults age 18 and older living in the home at the time of application. For information, visit www.clackamas.us/socialservices/energy or call the Social Services office 503-650-5640.



Chimney Safety Reminder



Always dispose of fireplace ashes in a metal bucket and place it outside away from any combustibles. Never use a paper bag for your ashes and do NOT place the ashes inside your garage. Have your chimney cleaned or checked regularly. Prevention is a lot cheaper than a fire from a dirty or clogged chimney. Please recycle Christmas gift wrap. There are an increasing number of chimney fires each year from placing wrapping paper in the fireplace or woodstove.

Don't forget to check your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors and replace them if needed. Remember the effective life of today's alarms are about 10 years. Maybe provide a new flashlight for a winter power outage or a fire extinguisher for the home or car. For those of you that must drive in winter weather, consider a new can of de-ice for your car windows. Driving with frozen windows can cause accidents. Don't forget to keep an emergency travel kit in the car with a blanket, water, high energy food and a flashlight and/or road flares.

Gladstone School District Celebrates Successful Adopt-a-Family Effort

The City of Gladstone made a difference by donating toys or nonperishable food as part of the Gladstone School District's Adopt-a-Family program.

City Administrator Jacque Betz and Police Chief John Schmerber hosted a food/toy barrel at the Gladstone Civic Center and drove twice to Wilsonville and back to deliver food boxes for holiday meals for 40 families. The school district was able to serve a total of 51 families when former City Councilor Pat McMahon donated additional Sunshine Division food boxes through Portland Fire & Rescue.

We have many other partners in the effort to thank. They include GHS student leaders in the National Honor Society and the Student Senate, GSD school counselors, Clackamas Fire, Gladstone Library/LINCC, Clackamas Bookshelf, Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary, Kiwanis Club, Happyrock Coffee, Webster Ridge Apartments, Oregon Conference of Seventh-day Adventists and Clackamas County Toy & Joy/Compassion in Action.



Donate to the Gladstone Education Foundation

If your New Year's Resolution is to help others, consider a donation to the Gladstone Education Foundation [GEF]. Donate online at <https://bit.ly/HelpGladstoneKids>

Thanks to your donations, this fall GEF gave nearly \$25,000 to support 10 projects that benefit Gladstone kids.

This fall the GEF used your donations for:

- Audiobooks for GHS students with special needs
- Revival of the GHS school newspaper, the Roamin Scroll
- LED color changing lights for the GHS performing arts
- Flight simulators & Lego robotics for Kraxberger STEAM students
- A commercial espresso machine for the GHS school store
- Headphones for the GHS e-sports team
- 10 picture books for each GCCF preschool student
- Cameras for GHS multimedia students
- A pitching machine & batting cage protection for GHS
- A STEM Coding Night for John Wetten students



Gladstone High School Launches Environmental Restoration Project

Gladstone High School teacher Michaela Freeby was thrilled that about a dozen Journalism Club students volunteered for an environmental science project on Nov. 30.

Students met behind the school to plant native trees and shrubs after school, helping with habitat restoration efforts happening throughout Gladstone.

Rian Crocker, a member of Gladstone School District's maintenance team, prepared the site by clearing the area of weeds and delivering about a yard of fresh soil.

Friends of Gladstone Nature Park President Nancy Eichsteadt donated five oaks for the GHS project. One Green World and the Cistus Design Nursery also donated plants.

Several students in Freeby's environmental science class each emailed different nurseries asking for donations, and they were surprised by the overwhelmingly positive response.

Gladstone Historical Society to Benefit From BINGO Night



Community Bingo Night, hosted by Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary, is returning to the Gladstone Community Center on Friday, Jan. 19. Sales start at 4:30 and bingo starts at 5:30 p.m. Come join us for a burger or bratwurst, beer or wine, and a chance to win up to a \$100 cash prize. As always, the Rotary Club partners with a local nonprofit organization, and December's group will be the Gladstone Historical Society. Mark your calendars and come join us for your favorite evening entertainment in Gladstone!

Community Bingo Night is held at the Gladstone Community Center the third Friday of each month from 5:30-8 p.m.

More information can be found at gladstoneoaklodgerotary.org.

50 Cent Book Sale January 21



The Clackamas Bookshelf

The Clackamas Bookshelf plans HUGE book sales from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 21 and Saturday, February 17 at

Kraxberger Middle School. All titles 50 cents or less, cash only.

Proceeds help us provide books to low income kids in Gladstone and across Clackamas County. Book donation drop-offs are welcome at our sales, or the drop box inside Les Schwab Tires on Highway 212. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram, or visit our website at www.theclackamasbookshelf.org/

Local Telephone Numbers

- City Hall General Business Line503-656-5225
- Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info503-557-2771
- Municipal Court/Traffic Citations503-557-2772
- Public Works503-656-7957
- Clackamas Fire District #1503-742-2600
- Library503-655-8540
- Community Center (formerly Senior Center)503-655-7701
- Recreation/Business License503-557-2766
- Planning503-946-9365 x206
- Electrical/Plumbing Permits503-742-4240
- Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance503-557-2763
- Clackamas County Dog Services.....503-655-8628
- Gladstone School District503-655-2777
- Gladstone High School503-655-2544
- Kraxberger Middle School503-655-3636
- John Wetten Elementary School503-656-6564
- Gladstone Center for Children & Families503-496-3939
- Gladstone Disposal Company503-656-9426
- Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV)503-299-9999
- Portland General Electric503-228-6322
- Northwest Natural Gas503-226-4211
- Comcast Cable1-800-934-6489
- Century Link.....1-866-642-0444
- Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm503-557-2797
- Non-Emergency Dispatch503-655-8211

(option 1 for police or fire calls)

Gladstone High School WINTER Home Game Schedule—January 2024			
DATE	TEAM	GAMES	
5-Jan	Boys Basketball*	vs Stayton	
6-Jan	Swimming	@ Lewis & Clark - Riverdale Invitational	
10-Jan	Swimming	@ Molalla Aquatic Center @ 4:00pm	
12-Jan	Girls Basketball*	vs Cascade	JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
13-Jan	Cheerleading	@ Sweet Home & West Linn Cheer Competitions	@ Sweet Home & West Linn Cheer Competitions
14-Jan	Cheerleading	Gladiator Cheer Challenge Cheerleading Competition	Doors open @ 8:00am Admission \$10; Veterans \$7; Kids Under 5 are Free
16-Jan	Girls Basketball*	vs Molalla *Youth Night*	JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
17-Jan	Wrestling	vs The Dalles & Astoria	Wrestling Starts @ 5:00pm
19-Jan	Boys Basketball*	vs Madras *Youth Night*	JV2 @ 4:00pm, JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
20-Jan	Swimming	@ Molalla Aquatic Center @ 7:00am	@ Molalla Aquatic Center @ 7:00am
20-Jan	Cheerleading	@ Newberg & David Douglas Cheer Competitions	@ Newberg & David Douglas Cheer Competitions
23-Jan	Boys Basketball*	vs Crook County	JV2 @ 5:30pm, JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
24-Jan	Swimming	@ Molalla Aquatic Center @ 4:00pm	@ Molalla Aquatic Center @ 4:00pm
26-Jan	Girls Basketball*	vs The Dalles	JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
27-Jan	Wrestling	@ Rex Putnam - Joe Stewart Invitational @ 9:00am	@ Rex Putnam - Joe Stewart Invitational @ 9:00am
30-Jan	Girls Basketball*	vs Estacada	JV @ 5:30pm V @ 7:00pm
31-Jan	Wrestling	vs The Dalles & Estacada	Wrestling Starts @ 5:00pm

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.

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 for regular games - NO Passes for Tournaments).

Need help? Contact us by phone or email, or visit us online at clackamas.us/lib:

Open Hours: Monday, Friday, Saturday & 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 10:30 am – 11:00 am. Enjoy your favorite storytime books, songs, and games with Teacher Susannah on Mondays and Teacher Heather on Wednesdays at 10:30 am at the library! All ages welcome! **No storytime on Monday, January 1st and Monday, January 15th**

Wednesday Snacks and STEAM- Every Wednesday from 1:30-3:30 pm. Drop in after school for snacks and a fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, or Math) activity on Early Release Wednesdays from 1:30-3:30PM! No registration required. For Grades K-8. Caregivers, please plan to accompany children under age 10.

STEAM Storytime- Saturday, January 6th from 10:30-11:30 am. Join us for a fun storytime that focuses on STEAM concepts! We'll build Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) skills through stories, songs and activities. Ideal for ages 3+, but all ages are welcome to attend.

Hora de Cuentos en Español – Spanish Story & Play Time- Saturday, January 13th at 10:30 am. *Acompáñenos el segundo sábado de cada mes a una hora de cuentos y juegos en ESPAÑOL con Portland Early Learning. ¡Gratis y divertido para todas las edades!* Join us on second Saturdays for Spanish Story & Play Time with Portland Early Learning. Free and fun for all ages!

Kid Craft: Take & Make Craft Kits – Fairy House Night Light! Sunday, January 14th (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 *Fairy House Night Light* kit will beam in on January 14th – ask for yours at the desk!

Music and Movement Storytime- Saturday, January 20th from 10:30-11:30 am. Join us for a highly interactive storytime that will keep you on your toes! We'll sing, dance, explore musical instruments and move our bodies along to the beat of fun books. Ideal for ages 3+, but all ages are welcome to attend.

Adult Craft: Meditation Beads (18+ Years)- Saturday, January 20th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Olga will help you create spiritual strands for prayer, meditation, or adornment. Supplies provided, but feel free to bring small, meaningful objects to include in your own unique piece. Register in person at the library or by phone at 503-655-8540. Ages 18+ only please.

Rock Readers Mystery Book Club- Tuesday, January 16th at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a discussion of *Terror in Topaz* by A.M. Stuart. 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, January 23rd 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!

Sensory Play Storytime- Saturday, January 27th from 10:30-11:30 am. Join us for a special storytime that ends with play stations incorporating sensory exploration! Ideal for ages 3+, but all ages are welcome to attend.

OTHER LIBRARY UPDATES AND INFORMATION

Library Closures: The Gladstone Public Library will be closed on Monday, January 1st for New Year's Day, and Monday, January 15th for MLK Day. The book drop will remain open, and no fines will accrue.

New Programs: The Gladstone Public Library is providing new special storytimes every Saturday at 10:30 am, and a drop in Snacks and STEAM program every Wednesday from 1:30-3:30 pm! No registration is required. Call or email the library at 503-655-8540 or gladstone@lincc.org if you have any questions!

Family Library Engagement Survey: We want to hear from you! The new Gladstone and Oak Lodge libraries are under construction! Please help us as we plan to expand our programs and services for youth and families in 2024-2025. Form is available online at: <http://bit.ly/3RpVuKI>

Volunteers Wanted: Help us sort and shelve our donated items so that we can sell them at our Twice Sold Tales bookstore! Prior experience working with books or in retail is helpful, but not required. Training will be provided. Ability to lift boxes of books a plus! Must be 18 years of age or older. Please contact Katie Lewis at GPLF.contactus@gmail.com for details.

Teen Art Contest: Each year libraries in Clackamas County look to local teens to design the Teen Summer Reading artwork. Young artists in grades 6-12 can submit their original artwork for this year's theme: Read, Renew, Repeat! Check out www.lincc.org/teenart for official rules and to submit your work!

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)!

City Hall—18505 Portland Ave
Police Department—18505 Portland Ave
Fire Department—555 Portland Ave
Public Works Dept.—18595 Portland Ave
Community 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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Gladstone Public Library Foundation (GPLF) Updates



And, what a new year it will be! Our new library should be done and ready this summer and our Foundation will have its very own bookstore. We'll be able to stock more books, CDs and other materials to offer at the same prices as before. We will be looking for volunteers to help set up, check in, approve donated items, stack the shelves and sell. You don't have to be a member of the Foundation. The invitation is open to all. If you are interested, please email us at: GPLF.contactus@gmail.com for more information and instructions.

Have you been by the construction for the new library? Here's a website to a live camera showing the day-to-day progress: [share.earthcam.net/tj90CoLmq7TzrY396Yd88fTbBdPycXQ3vYltU3l0o/gladstone library/gladstone public library jobsite camera/view 1](http://share.earthcam.net/tj90CoLmq7TzrY396Yd88fTbBdPycXQ3vYltU3l0o/gladstone%20library/gladstone%20public%20library%20jobsite%20camera/view%201)

If you'd like to donate, go to our website at: <https://gpl-foundation.org>. (PayPal is also available) or mailed to GPL Foundation, 135 E. Dartmouth, Gladstone, OR 97027.

All proceeds earned and donated go to support our library and community.

A great library is one nobody notices because it is always there, and always has what people need. – Vicki Myron
Stay safe, stay healthy, and read!

Free Clothes for Babies, Kids, and Teens



The Gladstone Kids Clothes Closet provides free clothing for youths Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Find us on the north side of Gladstone High School off Nelson Lane.

The only donations accepted at this time are NEW underwear and socks for boys & girls in all sizes for birth to age 18. To make a cash donation, visit <https://bit.ly/KidsNeedClothes>

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, January 6th, from 10 am -1 pm. The class of 2024 appreciates your support.