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CITY OF GLADSTONE

Easter

EGG HUNT

MARCH 30, 2024 | GLADSTONE HIGH SCHOOL | 11AM SHARP!
18800 PORTLAND AVE.

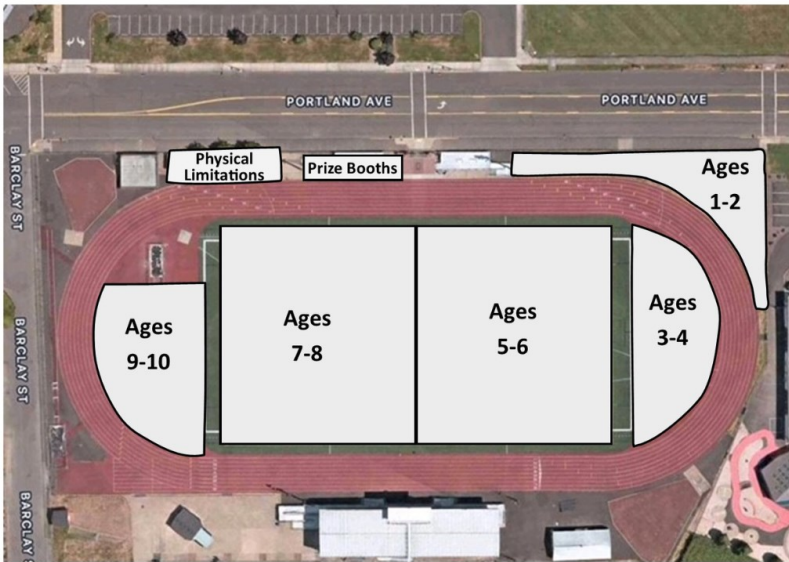
**For Children ages 1-10
Don't Forget To Bring Your Basket!**

CANDY AND PRIZE-FILLED EGGS BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

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| Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum | Portland Rose Festival Foundation |
| Oregon City Swimming Pool | North Clackamas Aquatic Park |
| Portland Pickles Baseball | Watts Heating and Cooling |
| Oaks Amusement Park | Old Spaghetti Factory |
| Toyota of Gladstone | Enchanted Forest |
| Sisul Engineering | Oregon State |
| Stanford's | Bullwinkle's |



AND MORE!!!

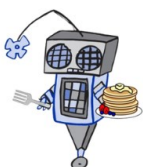


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MAX PATTERSON COMMEMORATIVE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, March 30, 2024
8:30 - 11:30

GLADSTONE HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
18800 Portland Ave.
Gladstone, OR 97027



At the door
Adults: \$8
Child/Senior: \$6
Family (4): \$20



Proceeds benefit the STEAM programs in Gladstone schools.

History of the Gladstone Newsletter

Continuing the History of the Gladstone Newsletter from the previous month's edition...

For years the newsletter was only printed in black until December 17, 1979 when December was printed in red to give the newsletter a more festive look. This tradition continued with December 1980 also being in red, and December 1981 being printed in green.

Past newsletters can be found on the City's website at <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/generalnews/page/city-newsletter>

Upcoming City Meetings

- Park and Recreation Advisory Board- Monday, March 11th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council- Tuesday, March 12th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Community Center Advisory Board- Tuesday, March 19th at 3:30 om, Gladstone Civic Center.
- Planning Commission- Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 pm, Gladstone Civic Center.
- City Council Work Session- Tuesday, March 26th 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

Cheer Team Wins National Competition for Third Year Running

Our Gladstone High School cheer team members returned from Las Vegas on Jan. 28 with a national championship trophy for the third year in a row. Go Glads!

Our award-winning cheer team traveled to Vegas to defend our national title and to hopefully pick up a title in a second category. And we dominated! In addition to earning our third consecutive national title in the sideline category, we won a national title in the traditional category for the first time in Gladstone cheer history. Judges scored both routines with zero deductions!



Reporting Potholes

Have you been noticing potholes around our area? Gladstone relies heavily on citizen involvement to keep streets safe and potholes can be easily reported!

Contact our Public Works Department at (503) 656-7957 or pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us to report a pothole and include the following information:

- Street location, address, or the nearest cross street or block address.
- Your name, phone number, and email address. Your phone number helps us should we need to contact you for additional information.



Celebrating Women's History Month: Trailblazing Women in Oregon's Rich History

As March ushers in the transition from winter to spring; we honor the extraordinary contributions of women throughout history. Women's History Month serves as a powerful reminder of the achievements, resilience, and impact women have had on society. In the vibrant tapestry of Oregon's history, there are exceptional women whose stories continue to inspire future generations.

Women's History Month allows us to celebrate the accomplishments of women who have broken barriers, challenged norms, and contributed significantly to their communities. In Oregon, we are fortunate to have many trailblazers who have embodied the spirit of empowerment and progress.

Trailblazing Women in Oregon's History:



Abigail Scott Duniway (1834-1915)

One of Oregon's most prominent figures in women's history, Abigail Scott Duniway, was a tireless advocate for women's suffrage. Born in Illinois, Duniway moved to Oregon in 1852. She dedicated her life to the cause of women's rights, establishing herself as a persuasive speaker and writer. In 1912, Oregon became one of the early states to grant women the right to vote, owing much to Duniway's unrelenting efforts.

Dr. Bethenia Owens-Adair (1840-1926)

A pioneering physician and advocate for women's health, Dr. Bethenia Owens-Adair made significant contributions to the medical field in Oregon. Overcoming societal expectations and challenges faced by women in the late 19th century, she became one of the first female physicians in the Pacific Northwest. Dr. Owens-Adair played a crucial role in improving healthcare for women and children and remains an inspiration for aspiring women in the medical profession.



Beatrice Morrow Cannady (1889-1974)

Beatrice Morrow Cannady was a trailblazing African American civil rights advocate who dedicated her life to fighting for racial equality and justice. Born in Texas, she moved to Oregon in 1912 and became a prominent figure in the Portland community. Cannady was the editor of *The Advocate*, Oregon's largest African American newspaper, where she fearlessly addressed issues of racial discrimination and inequality. Her activism laid the groundwork for future generations of civil rights leaders in the state.



Celebrating Women's History Month Locally: As we celebrate Women's History Month, it's crucial to also recognize the achievements of contemporary women who continue to contribute to the vibrancy and progress of our community. Local organizations, businesses, and community groups can actively participate in acknowledging and uplifting the voices of women through events, workshops, and collaborative initiatives.

The Gladstone Community Center will be showcasing an interactive display: Women's History Month: Local Women Who Made History. Stop by to check it out and be inspired.

Low Income Utility Assistance Program

The City of Gladstone provides residential customers a Low Income Utility Assistance Program which permits a reduced monthly charge for Water, Sewer and Storm Water services. As shown in the City's Master Fees & Charges Schedule, the reduced rates are 50% of the base rate only, for each type of utility.

Qualifications:

- A residential customer of Gladstone with one or more utility services provided by the City.
- The property is the principal residence and occupied by the applicant.
- No delinquent payments owed to the City, including utilities, court fines, and any other assessed fees or charges.
- Written application must be submitted on the City form and include all requested documentation for proof of income from all sources listed, from all income earners.
- Approval expires every year on June 30th and re-qualification must be submitted with current information annually.

The Finance Department will notify all applicants of approval or denial in writing. If denied the applicant will have the ability to appeal within ten days from the date of the denial letter.

Income Limits:

- Based upon Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Income Limits/Very Low Income Limits (50% of Median Family Income) for the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro, OR-WA MSA as published at HUD.gov and updated annually. Limits in effect as of July 1 will apply for the fiscal year period.
- Income limit areas are based on the current fiscal year Fair Market Rent (FMR) areas.
- Income levels are incrementally based on households of one to eight persons.

Persons in Household

Very Low (50%)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Annually	\$39,500	\$45,150	\$50,800	\$56,400	\$60,950	\$65,450	\$69,950	\$74,450
Monthly	\$3,292	\$3,763	\$4,234	\$4,700	\$5,079	\$5,454	\$5,829	\$6,204

For more information or to complete the application, please visit www.ci.gladstone.or.us/finance/page/low-income-utility-assistance-program.

Questions can be answered by contacting our Utility billing Department at 503-557-2771 or by email at UB@ci.gladstone.or.us

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	\$ 2,123.00
January	\$ 2,127.00
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
Year to Date Revenues	\$ 39,087.00

Update on the Gladstone Public Works Facility

Great progress has been made on the Public Works facility. Things continue to move along very quickly even with the snow and ice event we had in January.



A few of many milestones that have been completed include:

- Installation of all of the electrical, plumbing and HVAC.
- All of the walls have been framed and sheet rocked.
- Installation of all of the cabinetry.
- The right of way work is done.
- The curbing and sidewalks are done.
- Installation of the window and door frames and some of the glass.

Current construction involves:

- Installation of the drop ceilings.
- Painting on all of the interior walls.
- Installation of the lighting fixtures.

Coming next:

- Flooring to be installed.
- Paving of the parking lot.

There is still a lot to be done before the doors open to the public but construction is currently on time and within budget!

A Message from Code Compliance

Did you know if you rent a POD, you are required to obtain a permit? Gladstone Municipal Code 5.22.040(1) A permit must be obtained from the City prior to using a portable storage container within city limits.



The permit application can be found on the City website at: https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/police/page/5521/pod_application_2020.pdf.

The penalty for not obtaining a POD permit is a Class "D" Infraction, which is \$90 (per day).

Community Litter Pickup Program

Spring will be here soon! Help us keep our parks free of trash. Gladstone Public Works is happy to offer volunteers with cleanup kits for those who want to help beautify our community.

Kits will include 1 trash picker, gloves and trash bags. Contact Public Works for your kit today:

Email: pwoffice@ci.gladstone.or.us

Address: 18595 Portland Ave.

Phone: (503) 656-7957

Please be sure to return the kits when you're done!



Gladstone Back Then

From Gladstone Historical Society Historian, Kim Argraves Huey



Capt. John Dominis of the Brig Owyhee. Photo: pre-1846

1830 was an eventful year. Dr. John McLoughlin, Chief Factor for the Hudson Bay Company, was busy canoeing up and down the Willamette River between his newly relocated Ft. Vancouver and the Willamette Falls in Oregon City. The fur trade in British Columbia and the present-day states of Oregon and Washington flourished. European trading ships were coming, going, and sometimes wrecking on the unpredictable tides and sand bars at the mouth of the Columbia River. That summer, the rig, Owyhee, decided to take a sail down the Willamette River.

The Owyhee is memorable for several unique reasons. It was the first American trading vessel to visit Ft. Vancouver and join the competitive fur trade. Also, when the Owyhee arrived, it brought the first peach trees from the Spanish South Seas to Ft. Vancouver. Several decades before the

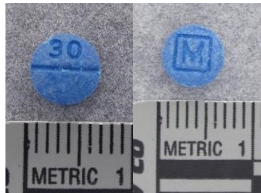
Hudson Bay employees of Ft. Vancouver and Oregon City munched on apples, pears, or oranges, sticky peach juice dripped down their chins. Finally, the Owyhee was the first ocean-going vessel to drop anchor in the Willamette River opposite present-day Gladstone. Captain Dominis had planned to sail to Willamette Falls, but the Clackamas Rapids proved a little too daunting. Instead, he parked the Owyhee near Clackamas Point, before he and the crew took off in small boats for an overnight trip to see the mighty falls.

So, what happened when the captain and crew were away? The Owyhee hosted a party of Clackamas Indians. A mostly mischievous and somewhat angry group of the Clackamas People decided to turn the ship loose. During the previous three decades, the lower Columbia River Basin and Willamette Valley had fallen victim to several severe smallpox epidemics. The Clackamas knew that the white explorers and traders had brought the sickness, so they reasoned that if the white men's ship disappeared, the white men would leave, too.

During the night, the Clackamas Indians cut the anchor rope on the Owyhee and then crept back to their beds in their longhouses. The next day, when Captain Dominis and crew returned to the Clackamas Rapids, they discovered their boat was gone. It was full of furs and other trading supplies destined for the Orient! Fearing the Owyhee was well on its way to Ft. Vancouver, the ocean, or run aground on a sandbar and wrecked, a frantic Captain and crew rowed down the Willamette River hoping they weren't too late to save their ship. So, what happened to the missing Owyhee? The question will be answered next month. In the meantime, don't forget to view the Clackamas Tribe slideshow and longhouse display at Gladstone's Civic Center (City Hall). The indigenous dwellings were crafted by Kraxberger teacher Amy Otto's seventh-grade history students and the attention to detail is amazing! Be sure to remove the roofs and look inside the houses but be very quiet when you do. Some of the people are sleeping, especially the papooses. Also, check out the ferry and canoes. For all the latest happenings at the Gladstone Historical Society, go to www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org

Fentanyl Facts

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



these pills are made to look identical to prescription opioids and are falsely marketed as legitimate. The majority of counterfeit pills resemble oxycodone 30mg pills (M30s), but can also mimic hydrocodone, alprazolam (Xanax), Adderall, and other medications. These are photos of counterfeit pills collected from a drug seizure in Oregon.

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

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

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

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

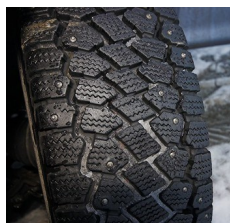
For more information and additional resources, please visit Oregon Health Authority website at <http://tinyurl.com/423jv29m>

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

Powdered fentanyl looks just like many other drugs that come in powder form. In Oregon, we have seen white and colored powdered fentanyl. It is commonly mixed with drugs like heroin, cocaine, and methamphetamine and made into pills that are made to resemble other prescription opioids such as oxycodone. Fentanyl-laced drugs are extremely dangerous, and many people may be unaware that their drugs are laced with fentanyl. It is nearly impossible to tell if drugs have been laced with fentanyl without the use of fentanyl test strips because fentanyl cannot be seen, smelled, or tasted. Oregon is experiencing an influx of counterfeit pills that contain fentanyl. Many of

Studded Tire Season

Studded tire season runs through April 1, 2024. ODOT encourages drivers to consider other types of traction tires or chains. If you must travel when weather conditions are difficult, use other types of traction tires or chains, or postpone your travel until conditions change for the better.



Alternatives to studded tires: *Chains—link chains, cable chains or other devices that attach to the wheel, vehicle or outside of the tire that are specifically designed to increase traction on snow and ice. Drivers should note that link chains may not be recommended for use on some types of vehicles. *Other traction tires—these traction tires meet Rubber Manufacturers Association standards for use in severe snow conditions and carry a special symbol on the tire sidewall showing a three-peaked mountain and snowflake. They work about as well as studded tires on ice, but work better than studded tires or regular tires in most other winter conditions. And they cause no more damage to road surfaces than regular tires.

How to Recognize a Phone Scam

Phone scams are becoming more and more common as scammers have figured out countless ways to cheat you out of your money. The scammer may act friendly and helpful or be threatening and try to scare you. People have lost a lot of money, sometimes even their live savings. The Gladstone Police Department would like to help arm you with tips on how to recognize a phone scam so you do not become the scammers next victim.

Phone scams come in many forms, but they tend to make similar promises and threats, or ask you to pay certain ways. Here's how to recognize a phone scam.

- **There is no prize-** The caller might say you were "selected" for an offer or that you've won a lottery. But if you have to pay to get the prize, it's not a prize.
- **You won't be arrested-** Scammers might pretend to be law enforcement or a federal agency. They might say you'll be arrested, fined, or deported if you don't pay taxes or some other debt right away. The goal is to scare you into paying. But real law enforcement and federal agencies won't call and threaten you.
- **You don't need to decide now-** Most legitimate businesses will give you time to think their offer over and get written information about it before asking you to commit. Take your time. Don't get pressured into making a decision on the spot.
- **There's never a good reason to send cash or pay with a gift card-** Scammers will often ask you to pay in a way that makes it hard for you to get your money back — by wiring money, putting money on a gift card, prepaid card or cash reload card, or using a money transfer app. Anyone who asks you to pay that way is a scammer.
- **Government agencies won't call to confirm your sensitive information-** It's never a good idea to give out sensitive information like your Social Security number to someone who calls you unexpectedly, even if they say they're with the Social Security Administration or IRS.
- **You shouldn't be getting all those calls-** If a company is selling something, it needs your written permission to call you with a robocall. And if you're on the National Do Not Call Registry, you shouldn't get live sales calls from companies you haven't done business with before. Those calls are illegal. If someone is already breaking the law calling you, there's a good chance it's a scam. At the very least, it's a company you don't want to do business with.

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

City of Gladstone - Gladstone Community Center

1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone 97027

503-655-7701

MARCH 2024



NEED RENTAL SPACE?

The Gladstone Community Center is a premier event venue that offers three stunning rental spaces, each with its unique charm and character. Our spaces are perfect for hosting a range of events, from corporate meetings to birthday parties and everything in between. In addition, we have a fully equipped commercial kitchen that is perfect for catering your events, and a lush garden area that provides a beautiful outdoor space for your guests. Our rental rates are very competitive, and we offer convenient online information. Come visit us today to experience our exceptional event space or book your next event.

Find our rental application and rates by visiting <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc>.

March LUNCH N LEARN'S @ 11:30 am

March 12th Gladstone Community School

Come down and learn what the Community School offers by providing educational opportunities to all community members, both youth and adults!

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

We offer the BEST salad bar in Gladstone and often host live music and "Lunch N Learns". The suggested donation is \$4 for those age 60 or over and a charge of \$5 for those under 60.

We hope to see you soon!



Starting on March 19th, we will be hosting a 4th or 5th grade class from John Wetten Elementary School.

The kids will join us for lunch, and we will follow it up with some fun activities or a project. We would be delighted if you could join us from 11:30-12:30 every Tuesday starting March 19th until the end of May. Special thanks to the John and Merilee Wetten gift endowment.

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 2pm to 4pm. We have volunteers on hand to help you with all your technology needs! Bring Your Device. Free!

Movie Day & Root Beer Floats March 20th!



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



Come Support Kraxberger Middle School's 8th grade graduation party! Gladstone Oak Lodge ROTARY Community BINGO Night March 15th @ 5pm

CAN YOU HELP? Clackamas County Social Services creates a work plan called the "Area Plan" to direct its programming for older adults. This process is mandatory to receive funding from the Older Americans Act, which is used to finance senior center operations. To start this process, they gather feedback from the community by conducting a survey.

Please Stop by The Gladstone Community Center to fill out a survey today! The survey is printed in English, Spanish, Russian and online.

Gladstone Community Center SPRING MARKET

BROWSE AND SHOP FOR UNIQUE CRAFTS, DECOR, AND GIFTS FROM LOCAL VENDORS. FIND PLANTS, GARDEN SUPPLIES, BOOKS, FRESH PRODUCE, AND MORE FROM LOCAL ARTISANS. DISCOVER HIDDEN TREASURES YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU NEEDED!

Saturday, May 18, 2024

JOIN US

FREE ADMISSION AND PARKING



Vendor registration opens March 25th, 2024

Vendor cost \$50 for a 10X10 Space

Please call or stop by The Center for an application. 503-655-7701

ALSO VISIT

The Gladstone Civic Center

10 AM TO 2 PM AT 18905 PORTLAND AVE

- Prescription drugs takeback
• Shred It
• Electronic recycling. Support the Kraxberger Gearheads!

March is Women's History Month!

Visit the interactive National Women's History display at Gladstone Community Center and share your life experience as a woman.

Don't Forget MARCH 10th Daylight Saving Set Your Clock 1 Hour Ahead!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

ROSE ELDER LAW

4/10 ESTATE PLANNING 1-3

6/12 LONG TERM CARE 1-3

AARP SAFE DRIVING CLASS

4/13 SAFE DRIVING CLASS

5/11 SAFE DRIVING CLASS



MARCH 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Community School Programs Include Yoga, Zumba, Painting and more. Please contact Jennifer Ingram at 503-650-2570. For more information, visit www.gladstone.k12.or.us/page/community-schools-program	STOP BY EVERY TUESDAY AND HAVE LUNCH WITH A 4th or 5th GRADER FROM JOHN WETTEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, FOLLOWED BY A FUN PROJECT. ALL AGES!	<u>Walking Group</u> Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10am— Meet us at The Gladstone Community Center for a fun group walk around Gladstone!		1 Crochet Club 10-11 Pinochle 12:45-3:45 Bridge 1-4 ADVENTURE TRIP
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Mar 1st: We will start our trip with brunch at the Black Bear diner known for their hearty breakfast meals. Afterward, we will go to the Jewish Holocaust Museum to explore the Holocaust from the perspective of Oregonians who survived it. Leave the Community Center at 10:45 and return by 3:00. Cost of **\$24** includes your museum entry but not the cost of your meal.

Mar 8th: We will attend CCC's matinee showing of "The Spelling Bee." It is a Tony award-winning musical that follows a group of wonderfully unique and impassioned adolescents as they compete for the bee championship. Afterward, we will go to lunch at Bugatti's. Leave Community Center at 9:15 & return by 2:45. Cost of \$20 does not include the cost of your meal.

Mar 15th: We will explore the Evergreen Aviation Museum which is home to the world-famous Spruce Goose. Lunch will be on your own at the museum café which serves sandwiches and wraps. Leave the Community Center at 9:00 & return by 3:30. Cost is \$47 without a pass or \$25 with the cultural pass from the library.

Mar 22nd: Celebrate your Irish at Dullahan's Irish Pub. Leave Community Center at 11:00 & return by 2:30. Cost of \$12 does not include your lunch costs.

Mar 29th: We will explore the Willamette Mission Heritage Center in Salem. It is a Victorian-era, water-powered mill turned wool-making museum. There are several buildings to explore with exhibits and shops. Lunch not included in costs. 9 to 3.

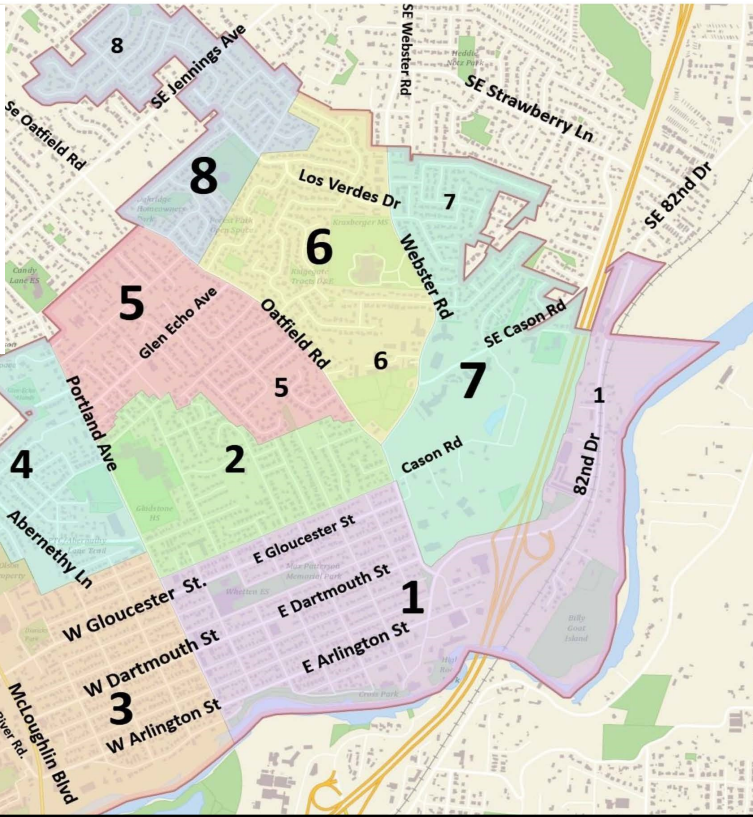
NEED TRIP COST ASSISTANCE? CALL 503-655-7701

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

- Monday/Day 1: Area 2
- Tuesday/Day 2: Area 6
- Wednesday/Day 3: Area 5
- Thursday/Day 4: Area 1
- Friday/Day 5: Area 3
- Monday/Day 6: Area 4
- Tuesday/Day 7: Area 7
- Wednesday/Day 8: Area 8



March 18 – 24 is Fix a Leak Week!

Finding and fixing leaks at home is a quick and easy way to save water and money. Household leaks waste more than one trillion gallons of water nationwide each year, from visible faucet drips to silent toilet leaks. Get in the habit of checking your whole house for leaks at least twice a year. If you already check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors twice annually, add this to your list! In 20 minutes you can do your part to help save water at home. If we all do our part to use water wisely at home throughout the region, together we can make a real difference.



Let's find and fix leaks at home.



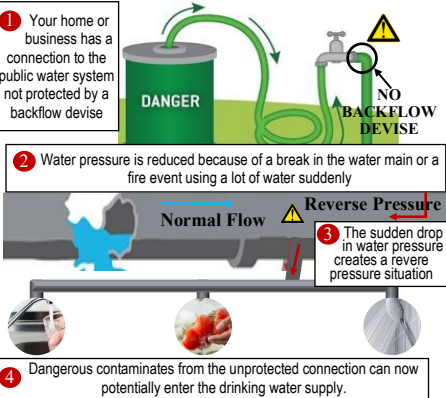
Get started by learning where to find leaks at home and then head to the bathroom!

Toilet leaks are common, but may be silent and easy to miss. Take 20 minutes to celebrate Fix a Leak Week by checking your toilet for leaks with these 5 easy steps:

1. Remove the toilet tank lid.
2. Drop one dye tablet, strip, or 10 drops of food coloring into the tank.
3. Put the lid back on. Do not flush.
4. Wait 20 minutes.
5. Check your toilet bowl. If you see colored water, you have a leak. If not, you don't.

Head to <https://www.epa.gov/watersense/fix-leak-week> for more information about Fix a Leak Week. Check out the Regional Water Providers Consortium for easy ways to save water at home. <https://bit.ly/10-h2o-tips>

Backflow FAQ's & Why is Backflow Testing Required?



What is Backflow? When pressure in a water system isn't maintained, the risk for water to flow backward into the water system and become contaminated is greatly increased. Backflow testing monitors the health and safety mechanisms designed to protect water purity. Backflow testing helps prevent water contamination or pollution.

What is this "test due" notice I keep receiving? Why do I have to do this? It is a reminder for you to get your backflow assembly tested. It is an important annual test that helps make sure the public drinking water remains clean and safe.

I did this last year. Why am I getting this notice again? Because Backflow Assemblies are mechanical units they must be regularly checked to ensure they are in working condition.

What is a backflow assembly? A backflow assembly is used to protect potable water supplies from contamination or pollution due to backflow. These are often found connected to sprinkler systems and fire systems.

Do I need a backflow preventer on my sprinkler system? YES, sprinkler system backflow prevention devices are safety mechanisms to prevent contaminants from entering water supplies. Irrigation backflow devices are designed for installation on potable water lines to protect against both back-siphonage and backpressure of contaminated water into the potable water supply.

What is a cross-connection? A cross-connection is a 'link' between drinking water and a system or fixture that carries or contains something other than drinking water. An example would be a garden hose lying in a hot tub.

Have questions on Backflow testing or requirements, contact Justin with the City of Gladstone Public Works Dept. at 503.656.7957 or email us at PWOffice@ci.gladstone.or.us

Scoop the Poop!

Gladstone Public Works Needs Your Help to Keep Our Water System Clean!

The current weather forecast typically involves rain. In Gladstone this water washes off the land and into the storm water system. Our storm systems drain water away from the City and into our local rivers. Along the way, it picks up pollutants, some of which you may not realize is considered a pollutant.

Bacteria is a natural component of lakes, rivers, and streams. Most of these bacterial agents are harmless, but some have the potential to cause sickness and disease in humans, pets, and other animals. Research conducted by Clean Water Services of Washington County found that, on average, 63% of E. coli bacteria contamination in streams originated from waterfowl and canine sources, i.e: Ducks and Dogs!

Gladstone Public Works encourages everyone to please pick up after your dog. It is essentially raw sewage and should not be left anywhere on the ground. In addition to E. coli, dog waste can contain harmful organisms such as Leptospira and roundworms. These organisms can be very serious to both humans and pets, and can be carried into your home after walking through yards or parks where animal waste has been present. This same bacteria can wash into streams and rivers causing pollution.

Gladstone Public Works provides doggy-doo bags in all our parks to make cleaning up after your pets convenient for you. We appreciate everyone doing their part to help keep our city clean and green.



Spills and Leaks

Spills and leaks from contaminants, can be dangerous if left unattended. In addition, spilled chemicals can also pollute our streams and underground drinking water supplies, as well as harm pets, plants and wildlife.

Prevention is Key!

- Keep unused containers closed tightly.
- Store materials inside or under cover.
- Never use storm drains or gutters, ditches, or swales for waste disposal.
- Keep waste container lids closed.

Possible Contaminants Include:

- Oil
- Gas
- Antifreeze
- Paint
- Pesticides

Spills Happen!

Your safety is of utmost importance in addressing spills and leaks. Stop work and move upwind immediately if you feel any symptoms (nausea, coughing, stinging eyes, nose or throat, dizziness). Call for help.

Call 911 if the spill is hazardous or an emergency.

If you are aware of the origin of the spill and it is not an emergency:

- Try to stop the leak if you can safely. Keep people and vehicles away to prevent contact with the spilled substance. Use a drip pan if you spot a leak or drip; repair the leak promptly.
- Turn off any nearby equipment that could ignite a flame or explosion.
- Never hose down a spill — this can send hazardous pollutants to our waters.
- Protect waterways: Place absorbents such as kitty litter and barriers between the spill and any nearby storm drain, ditch or swale. Clean up the spill immediately.

For more information, visit the Clackamas County Water Environment Services website at: <https://www.clackamas.us/wes/spills-and-leaks>

Remember... only rain in the storm drain!



ONLY RAIN DOWN THE DRAIN!

At the Nature Park

FOGNAP is gearing up for 2024, with restoration & re-planting all over the park. Right now, the park is awakening with new growth and bits of greenery showing promise from the cold winter. See how the Nature Park has transformed with the arrival of the rains and the changing of the leaves and lower temperatures. Join us at the park Saturday March 30th 9am-noon for our monthly work party. We do provide gloves, donuts, coffee and smiling faces.

Winter Pond Restoration: For 2024, Friends of Gladstone Nature Park (FOGNAP) is restoring the seasonal wetland area of the park known as Winter Pond. Already, volunteers have begun removing invasive Armenian blackberry and English ivy. In the fall, they plan to plant Great Camas and other natives in the sunny portion of the wetland.



Great Camas once put on a spectacular display of purple flowers in the late spring in the wet meadows of Gladstone until development in the 1970s covered it. Although the Winter Pond area is small, FOGNAP hopes to return this beautiful native flower to the area.

Gladstone Municipal Code Changes 17.78 Home Occupation

At the March 12, 2024 Gladstone City Council Meeting, the City Council will be holding a Public Hearing regarding proposed amendments to the Gladstone Municipal Code, Chapter 17.78 Home Occupations.

This meeting will be accessible in person as well as over Zoom. Meeting information as well as proposed changes will be available on the City's website by March 12, 2024. To stay up to date on these changes, visit www.ci.gladstone.or.us.

Support Kraxberger Graduation, Arts Guild, GHS Choir at BINGO Nights



Community Bingo Night, hosted by Gladstone Oak Lodge Rotary, is returning to the Gladstone Community Center on Fridays, March 15, April 19 and May 17. Sales start at 4:30 and bingo starts at 5:30 p.m. Come join us for a burger or bratwurst, a variety of beverages and a chance to win up to a \$100 cash prize.

As always, the Rotary Club partners with a local nonprofit organization.

- March will benefit Kraxberger's eighth grade graduation celebration.
- April's beneficiary is the North Clackamas Arts Guild.
- May's group will be Gladstone High School's choir, which is seeking to raise money for new risers.

Community Bingo Night is held at the Gladstone Community Center the third Friday of each month from 5:30-8 p.m. Mark your calendars and come join us for your favorite evening entertainment in Gladstone!

More information can be found at gladstoneoaklodgerotary.org.

Gladstone Center for Children and Families (GCCF) Hosts Literacy-themed Family Explore Event

The Gladstone Center for Children and Families on Feb. 7 hosted a "Fall in Love with Literacy" Family Explore event.

The event highlighted the GCCF kindergarten community and our love for literacy with reading games, Valentine's Day crafts and of course lots of books.



Gladstone High School 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, March 9th, from 10am-1pm. The class of 2024 appreciates your support.

Oregon Symphonic Band (OSB) Concert

The Oregon Symphonic Band will be performing at Gladstone High School Saturday, March 2nd, at 7:30 p.m. a concert titled *America the Beautiful* featuring music by American composers including George Gershwin, Charles Ives, and Aaron Copland among others.



OSB is Oregon's premier symphonic band, founded in 1986 to allow local professional and expert amateur musicians to play challenging wind ensemble music. The award-winning band, under the direction of Dr. Michael Burch-Pesses, is comprised of 65 brass, woodwind and percussion musicians, many of them music teachers and band directors.

Ticket prices are Adults: \$20, Seniors/Veterans: \$15.00, Students: Free. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit oregonsymphonicband.com.

Save the Date

Drug Take Back, E-Recycling and Shred Day Coming Soon!

Mark your calendars for the City of Gladstone's annual Drug Take Back, E-Recycling and Shred Day! The event will be held on May 18, 2024 from 10 AM - 2 PM at the Gladstone Civic Center, 18505 Portland Ave. More Information will be coming soon!

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.



Children's clothing donations can be dropped off Saturdays from 10-noon.

To make a cash donation, visit <https://bit.ly/KidsNeedClothes>

50 Cent Book Sale March 17

The Clackamas Bookshelf plans HUGE book sales from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 17 and Saturday April 20 at Kraxberger Middle School. All titles are 50 cents or less, cash only. Kids books just 10 cents each!

Proceeds help us provide books to low income kids 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/



Please Keep Dogs on Leash

Residents are reminded when walking dogs in Gladstone or visiting Gladstone parks dogs are required to be on a leash or under the immediate control of its keeper, per Chapter 6.04 of the Gladstone Municipal Code. Be a good neighbor and keep your dog on a leash and be mindful to pick up pet waste and dispose of properly.



Drop Off Unwanted Prescriptions at the Gladstone Civic Center

Flushing drugs down the toilet or putting them into the garbage may have damaging effects on our environment and



can contaminate our surface and groundwater supplies. Both drinking and wastewater treatment plants are not designed to treat for these kinds of chemicals. Drop off your old, expired or unwanted prescriptions at the Gladstone Civic Center, located at 18505 Portland Ave., in the blue drug return receptacle, located near the Portland Ave entrance, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm*. No paperwork or fee required! *Excluding holidays. Items that are not accepted include: herbal remedies, vitamins, supplements, cosmetics, other personal care products, medical devices, batteries, mercury-containing thermometers, sharps, illicit drugs, pet pesticide products, animal medicines, and biologics.

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)

Need help? Contact us by phone, 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!

• **Snacks and STEAM-** Wednesdays 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 1:30-3:30 PM! No registration required. For Grades K-8. Caregivers, please plan to accompany children under age 10.

• **STEAM Storytime-** Saturday, March 2nd, 2024 from 10:30-11:30 am. Build Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) skills through stories, songs

and activities! Ideal for ages 3+, but kids of all ages are welcome to attend.

• **Hora de Cuentos en Español** Spanish Story & Play Time- Saturday, March 9th, 2024 at 10:30 am. *iAcompáñenos 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!

• **Take & Make Craft Kits for Kids: Plastic Egg Snail!** - Sunday, March 10th, 2024 (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 *Plastic Egg Snail* kit will crawl in on March 10th- ask for yours at the desk!



• **Gardening: Adaptive Landrace Community Gardening-** Thursday, March 14th, from 6:30-7:30 pm. Calling all gardeners! Learn about community landrace gardening with this free class from local expert Kay Everts. Be sure to visit our Seeds for Sharing seed library, too!

• **Music and Movement Storytime-** Saturday, March 16th, 2024 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.

• **Rock Readers Mystery Book Club-** Tuesday, March 19th, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Engage with other readers in a discussion of *Harlem Shuffle* by Colson Whitehead. 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.

• **Clackamas County Library Advisory Board-** Thursday, March 21st, 2024 at 6:00 pm. Your Clackamas County Library Advisory Board meet at 6:00 pm on the third Thursday of each month. Meetings are open to the public; visit clackamas.us/lib/clackamas-county-library-advisory-board#meetings for more information.

• **Sensory Play Storytime-** Saturday, March 23rd, 2024 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.

• **Adult Craft Class: Beginning with Watercolors (18+ Years)-** Saturday, March 23rd, 2024 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Join us on Saturday, March 16th from 2:00-4:00 PM to paint with watercolors. This is a beginner level workshop for adults only (18+). There is no cost and all supplies will be provided. Registration is required. Call 503-655-8540 to save your spot!



• **Music: Arthur "Fresh Air" Moore-** Tuesday, March 26th, 2024 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Local legend Arthur "Fresh Air" Moore will bring a cool breeze to the stacks for our musical programming at the Oak Lodge Library! His musical friends are sure to stop by - so should you! All ages will enjoy!



• **5th Saturday Storytime: Music and Movement-** Saturday, March 30th, 2024 from 10:30-11:30 am. Join us for an extra Music & Movement storytime on the fifth Saturday this month! Sing, dance, explore musical instruments and move your body to the beat of fun books. This highly interactive storytime is ideal for ages 3+, but kids of all ages are welcome to attend.

OTHER LIBRARY UPDATES AND INFORMATION

• **New Programs:** The Gladstone Public Library is providing new 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 required. Call or email the library at 503-655-8540 or gladstone@lincc.org if you have any questions!

• **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

Hooray for spring! Our city is bursting with activity from the new City Works building on one end to the new Library at the other. If you want to catch the Library's day-to-day progress on camera, go to: <https://shorturl.at/cnsBE>

Volunteers are needed to help sort and shelve books and CDs in our Twice Sold Tales area located in the Library's reading room. You don't have to be a Foundation member, anyone can volunteer. If you're interested, please email us at: GPLF.contactus@gmail.com for more information and instructions.

The Library accepts donations of 2 bags/ boxes per visit of newer, gently used books, especially adult fiction (2013 to present) and media.

PLEASE NOTE: we do not take magazines, text books, reference books, VHS tapes, old book series such as, Time/Life, or torn books.

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

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

What a school thinks about its library is a measure of what it feels about education. - Harold Howe

Stay safe, stay healthy, and read!



Gladstone Arbor Day Plant Sale

Join the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park (FOGNAP) for their sixth annual Gladstone Arbor Day Plant Sale in the Gladstone Nature Park, Saturday, April 27, 2024 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Gladstone Nature Park for their annual Arbor Day plant sale!

There's something for everyone at this year's sale. We have perennials that add color to your yard, along with Oregon native plants that attract pollinators.

The Gladstone Nature Park is located at 18111 Webster Road in Gladstone.

Parking is available at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Cash, Visa, and Master Card are accepted.

For more information, visit our website at GladstoneNaturePark.org or email us at FriendsOfGladstoneNature@gmail.com.

The sale benefits the continued restoration of the Gladstone Nature Park.

