

GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Take Time to Volunteer in Gladstone by City Administrator Jacque M. Betz

Volunteering in your community can provide surprising benefits: help you connect with others, is good for your mind and body, and can bring a sense of fun and fulfillment in your life. Each year the City Council makes appointments to advisory

commissions, boards and committees where we need volunteers to help. Gladstone has made amazing progress the past few years and it is a wonderful time to be involved in our community.

Below is a list of positions that are vacant or will expire December 31, 2018:

- PLANNING COMMISSION 1 position
- BUDGET COMMITTEE 3 positions
- LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD 1 position
- TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD 1 position
- PARK & RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD 1 position
- SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD—2 positions
- AUDIT COMMITTEE—1 position

If you wish to be considered for appointment to one of these committees, please complete an application which can be downloaded from the city's website at https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/community-application-forms and return to Tami Bannick, 525 Portland Ave, Gladstone, OR 97027 or bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us on or before 5:00 pm on Monday, December 3, 2018.

The City Council will make appointments to the new committees at their December 11th meeting. If you are selected, the City

will conduct an orientation for all of its volunteers so you can be an effective member of our team.

The City sincerely appreciates your time and commitment for volunteering on these important committees.



Upcoming Council Regular/Work Session

The November 27, 2018 regular & work session City Council meeting beginning at 6:30 pm will include: Sewer Rate Study & Mutual Agreement & Order, Certified Results of the November 6, 2018 election; Design Builders GMP to the City on Civic Center Project and Civic Center Project Manager Phase Three Contract. The December 11, 2018 regular City Council meeting agenda will include: House Bill 4006 - Rent Burden Community Public Meeting; Appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions; Creating a Community Grant Program for the July 2019-21 biennium; Amending the Master Fee Schedule and Amending Gladstone Municipal Code 2.12.030 (City Administrator Duties). Council packets can be viewed online at: https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings.

Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting

At the November 20, 2018 Planning Commission Meeting, the Planning Commission will be discussing an application to renovate apartment buildings and construct a new 448 sq. ft. office at River Glen Apartments, 1055 Risley Ave. For more information regarding the meeting, please visit https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/bc-pc/page/planning-commission-meeting-55.



City Office Closures

Gladstone City offices will be closed on November 22 & 23, 2018 and December 25, 2018.

Gladstone Municipal Code

Do you have a question about fence height, setbacks, zoning, traffic or park regulations? If so, the Gladstone Municipal Code is online at http://www.codepublishing.com/OR/Gladstone/.

Ballot Measure Election Results

November 6, 2018, ballot measure results: *Measure #3-535-Shall Gladstone renew the operating levy of \$0.68 per \$1,000 for police services for five years beginning 2019-2020? PASSED. *Measure #3-536-Shall Gladstone renew the operating levy of \$0.31 per \$1,000 for fire and medical services for five years beginning 2019-20? PASSED. For more info on these measures, please visit, https://www.clackamas.us/elections/results.html.

Coffee With A Councilor

Coffee with a Council member assists the Council to better communicate with the residents and businesses of our community. Bring ideas, concerns and solutions to make Gladstone a better community! Coffee with a Councilor meets once a month at the Senior Center. Meetings will be held the third Wednesday of the month alternating between 9:30am and 6:30pm. The next meeting will be held on November 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Pedestrian Safety

With the recent Daylight Savings time change, residents are reminded while jogging, walking or biking to wear reflective and/or

light colored clothing during the hours of darkness. Bicycles should have ample reflectors and a light on when it is dark.

Charter Review Advisory

At its January 8, 2019 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments of eight positions to the Charter Review Advisory. To obtain an application and information, visit the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us, email bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us, call 503-557-2769 or stop by City Hall. Applications must be returned by 5pm on January 1, 2019.

Street Parking Regulations



We are approaching the time of year when owners of boats, trailers, and RVs are preparing them for winter storage. Gladstone Code

Enforcement would like to remind its residents that there are city ordinances regulating on-street parking, and these ordinances are very specific as to the type of vehicles that can be parked on city streets. Chapter 10.04.230 of the Gladstone Municipal Code (available online on the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us) describes parking issues. Please be mindful of neighbors and use alternative parking, such as RV pads or local RV storage facilities, etc. By following these guidelines we can all enhance city services, improve public safety and help make our neighborhoods more "neighbor friendly" for Gladstone residents.

Monthly Utility Bills

Monthly utility bills may be paid online at https://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/gladstoneor or by calling 866-721-1072. Residents may also sign up for auto pay by completing the form located on the city's website at: https://www.ci. gladstone.or.us/finance/page/utility-billing.

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LET'S TALK WATER RATES!



Did you know that Gladstone has the lowest water rates in our local area? Included in your monthly meter fee of \$19.92 per month, you get six units of water at no additional charge. A unit is 100 cubic feet of water, or 748 gallons. So, for your \$19.92 water bill, you receive 4,488 gallons of clean, potable water delivered directly to your household faucets.

Let's compare apples to apples (or in this case, water to water) with our neighbors:

Oak Lodge Water charges \$25.50 per month for the meter. <u>No</u> water is included at that price. Oak Lodge Water charges water usage at \$1.12 per unit. If you were to use the average of six units, your monthly water bill with Oak Lodge Water would be \$32.22

The City of Milwaukie charges \$8.69 per month for the meter. No water is included at that price The City of Milwaukie charges \$3.94 per unit of water. If you were to use the average of six units of water, your monthly bill with the City of Milwaukie would be \$32.33.

West Linn charges \$21.47 per month for the meter. West Linn includes 700 units at no additional charge.

Oregon City charges \$16.06 per month for the meter. No water is included at that price. Oregon City charges \$1.77 per unit of water. If you were to use the average of six units of water, your monthly water bill in Oregon City would be \$26.68.

We are sure you can agree, that the water cost in Gladstone is a refreshingly good value!

Get Ready for the Winter Months

Here are a few things you can do now to get your indoor and outdoor water systems ready for winter preventing costly repairs and wasted water.

*Before shutting the irrigation system down for the winter, run each zone of the system separately checking for leaks, broken/misaligned spray heads, and other maintenance issues. When it is time to shut the system down for the winter completely drain all of the water out of the system to prevent freezing.

*Shut off all outside water, disconnect hoses, open the hose bibs, and wrap or cover the hose bibs to prevent freezing. Store hoses, spray nozzles, and sprinklers inside, this will prevent freezing and breaking during the winter.

Insolate all exposed and venerable water pipes and cover the foundation vents to keep out the cold winter air.

*Make sure everyone in the home knows where the main water shut off valve is and how to use it. If a pipe breaks during the winter the water will be shut off much quicker and could prevent costly damage. And last but not least, make sure the emergency phone numbers to your local water provider and a plumbing specialist are posted where everyone can see it. In an emergency this will save time and possibly prevent damage to your home.

*For more water conservation tips visit the Clackamas River Water Providers conservation page on our website at www.clackamasproviders.org/water-conservation/.

Winterizing Your Water Pipes Inside & Out

Fall is the time of year to start thinking about winterizing your water pipes inside & out. Here are some precautionary measures you can take now to help avoid the expense and inconvenience of frozen water pipes later. *Disconnect and drain all outdoor hoses, and protect outside pipes and faucets. *In some homes,



the outside faucet has a separate "shut-off" in the basement or crawl space. If you do have a separate valve for outside faucets, shut it off. Then go outside, disconnect the garden hose and turn on the faucets to drain water from the line. Even if you do not have a separate "shut off valve" for outside faucets, wrap and/or cover ALL outside faucets and hose bibs. Disconnect garden hoses, otherwise, a single hard freeze can burst the faucet or the pipe it connects to. *If you have water pipes in unheated areas such as the garage or crawl space, wrap the water pipes with pipe insulation or wrapping materials. *Turn off the water to the irrigation system at the main shut-off valve. *Open all drain valves and drain water from system. *Wrap insulating material around ground valves and backflow prevention devices. For complete details call Clackamas River Water Providers at 503-723-3511 or email Christine@clackamasproviders.org.

Gladstone Oak Grove Rotary

The Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary Club is looking for a few energetic, upbeat and competent community members to join with us to help our community be as



vibrant and happy as we can possibly be. Our club already does some amazing things, such as our wildly popular and extremely successful Gladstone Community Festival the first weekend of every August; last week we donated dictionaries to every 5th grader at Wetten Elementary; a couple of weeks before we presented a check to the Gladstone Center for Children and Families to help fund their activities; we have placed and dedicated "Peace Poles" throughout the community; the list goes on and on! Fundamentally our goal is to raise funds so that we can give them away to deserving folks and sponsor fun activities. Step up and join with us! You'll be glad you did.

Our club meets Thursdays at noon at the Senior Center. Come check us out and enjoy a delicious complimentary lunch, or email <u>baldwinrotary@comcast.net</u> to see how you can do good to do well.

Street Light Out



Contact Portland General Electric (PGE) at 1-800-544-1795 (press "3") or email information, including address of streetlight outage, nearest

cross street, pole and map number (on pole), if available, to lightout@pgn.com.

Baseball Open Board Meeting



Gladstone Junior Baseball will be holding an open board meeting at 7:00pm on November 25th in the meeting room at Somerset Assisted Living located at:

8360 Cason Rd, Gladstone OR 97027. Please join us to discuss youth baseball in Gladstone. If you are interested in coaching for the 2019 season, serving on our board or a parent who wants to be more involved we encourage you to attend.

Recycling Bulky Items

Let's Talk Trash! Recycling Bulky Items:

- Donate—call 503-234-3000 or go online to search Metro's Find a Recycler at www.metro.gov/findrecycler;
- Curbside Pick-up—Request a special pick up from Gladstone Disposal. Call 503-656-9426 or visit their website at www.gladstonedisposal.com.
- Take to Garbage Facility—Dispose of items at Metro South Transfer Station (503-234-3000) in Oregon City.

Not sure where to take something? Call

Metro's Recycling Hotline at 503-234-3000 or look up an item on the "Find a Recycler" website: www.oregonmetro.gov/findrecycler.



Upcoming Events at Gladstone High School (GHS)

Winter sports are just about to begin at Gladstone High School. Come support our GHS students in one of their upcoming home events:



Varsity Boys Basketball: November 30th at 5:30 pm vs: Valley Catholic; December 14th at 7pm vs Banks. Varsity Girls Basketball: November 30th at 7:00 pm vs: Valley Catholic; December 7th at 7pm vs: Marist Varsity Wrestling: December 4th at 5pm vs: Molalla & Estacada

Winter Choir Concert: December 5th from 7:00-9:00 pm Holiday Band Concert: December 13th from 7:00-9:00 pm







Gladstone Public Works Department schedules our 2018 leaf pick-up service with cost effectiveness and efficiency in mind. The schedule below best utilizes public funds reflected in both manpower and equipment hour costs.

We will be picking up your leaf piles within the following date ranges. Please identify the number of your neighborhood area on the map.

Areas 8 and 1: November 13 - 21

Areas 2, 3 and 4: November 26 - November 30

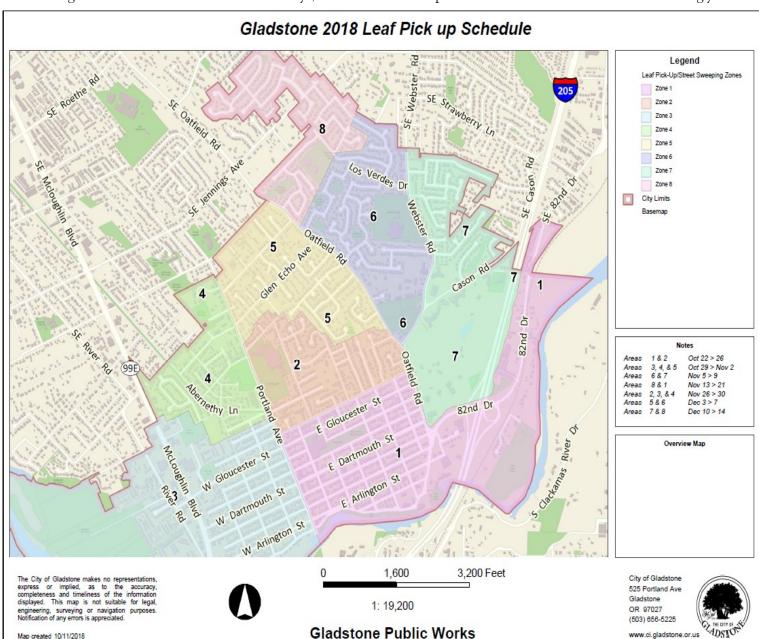
Areas 5 and 6: December 3 - 7 Areas 7 and 8: December 10 - 14

Please have your leaves placed in one large pile in the street, at least one foot from the curb. This extra space between the curb and the leaf pile is to allow water to drain into the city's storm basins.

Please have your leaf pile ready for pick-up by the first day of your area's designated pick-up schedule. While it is important to have your leaves ready for pick-up by the first day on your schedule, please remember that leaves placed in the street too far in advance of leaf pick-up will cause the leaves to wash into our storm drains, increasing the risk of flooding in your neighborhood. The best practice is to put your leaves out for pick-up the day before your area's first scheduled day. The city currently does not have a chipper or a way to dispose of tree limbs, twigs or other green waste, so we ask that you please not mix anything in with your leaves. Public Works always appreciates our citizen cooperation in helping to keep our city streets clean and our storm drains clear of leaves, allowing rain water to drain away from homes and businesses.

Once the public works crew has visited your area, we will not return until the next scheduled pick-up date for your area. This year's leaf pick-up schedule ends on Friday, December 14th. However, for citizens with hardships that prevented them from putting their leaves out during the scheduled city-wide leaf pick-up service, the Public Works crew will pick-up large leaf piles, by request only, between Monday, December 17th through Friday, January 11th. To be considered as a large leaf pile, leaves must be a volume of at least two heaping wheelbarrow loads. Smaller amounts of leaves may be disposed in your yard debris cans. Public Works appreciates everyone's consideration of the cost involved in providing the leaf pick-up service to the community. Working together, we can make this effort as efficient and cost effective as possible.

As always, if you have any questions, please call your Public Works Department at 503 656-7957, or by e-mail to PWOf-fice@ci.gladstone.or.us. Office hours are weekdays, from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Our staff and crew look forward to serving you!





Gladstone Tree Lighting Ceremony

Help us CELEBRATE GLADSTONE! Friday, November 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the Gladstone Senior Center parking lot, 1050 Portland Avenue. The Celebrate Gladstone group will host a Holiday Tree Lighting Party! Starting at 6:00 p.m. there will be cocoa, cookies and coffee, caroling and Santa!!! They will be collecting new and unwrapped toys and food for the Gladstone Fire Department's Annual Toy and Food Drive, as well

as money for the Gladstone Police Department's "Shop with a Cop" campaign—both will benefit local families. If you have any questions, or would like to help, please send an email to tstempel@ci.gladstone.or.us. Thank you and hope to see you there!

Gladstone Groups Team Up for Holidays

Gladstone's Adopt-A-Family effort will again work to help struggling families this holiday season, providing food & toys to 100 families. Partners in this effort include the Gladstone Fire Dept (GFD), Gladstone School District, Gladstone Kiwanis & Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary. Canned food and new unwrapped toy donation barrels are located at the GFD, Gladstone Library, and vari-



ous Gladstone businesses. Most needed food items include: peanut butter, jam, tuna, pasta, rice, chili, corn bread mix, soups, cereal, oatmeal, canned beans, fruits, vegetables & mac & cheese. Donations must be received by Dec. 22, 2018. Families in need of assistance should sign up by December 7th with their social service agency, visit Clackamas County's "Compassion in Action" website at www.ciacc.org. or call 503-632-0562.

Gladstone Police Department (GPD) Santa Squad



The holiday season is rapidly approaching and we are hoping for a festive, fun, and safe time for all. The Gladstone Police Department is pleased to announce our 2nd annual "Santa Squad" service. This service will be available to Gladstone residents (only) November 15 through December 25.

If you are concerned with holiday gifts, packages, or deliveries being stolen from your front porch, this service may be for you. You can have your small packages sent directly to the GPD and pick

them up from us, ensuring that the "Grinch" won't ruin the season. If you are a Gladstone resident, here is what you need to do to take advan-

tage of this free service: Order your package and have it sent to:

> C/O Gladstone Police Department (Santa Squad) at 535 Portland Ave., Gladstone, OR 97027

Call Cathy (Santa's Helper) at 503-557-2760 and provide:

Your name

Phone number to reach you when the package arrives

Where the package is coming from

After your package arrives, we will call you and you can pick it up Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

It's that simple! The GPD wishes you a Happy Holiday Season, thank you for your support.

Craft Sale & Food Drive

Clackamas Community College's Associated Student Govt' Craft Sale, 10am to 2pm, Nov. 28th & 29th at the Community Center, 19600 Molalla Ave, Oregon City. Handmade crafts. Bring donations for CCC's food panty.

Shop with a Cop!

Police Officers from the Gladstone Police Department will be attending the 12th Annual Shop with a Cop scheduled Saturday, December 8, 2018 at WalMart, 1000 SE 82nd Ave in Happy Valley. This event is organized by the Clackamas County Peace Officers' Benevolent Foundation, a



charitable non-profit. The foundation raised over \$15,000 in donations, most come from the public and businesses, that will allow 150 kids to Shop with a Cop. Each child will be paired with a police officer from agencies within Clackamas County and given a \$100 gift card. If you would like to contribute, you can donate via the Clackamas County Peace Officer's Benevolent Foundation at www.ccpobf.org or drop off a donation at the Gladstone Police Dept. All donors will receive a tax receipt by mail. 100% of your donation will be used for Shop with a Cop! Thank you for your support!

Stay Safe This Holiday Season

Whether you shop at the mall or online, here are a few tips to survive this holiday season: When exiting your car, do not hit your key chain locking device—use the lock button inside your car as thieves are cloning security codes through airwaves; If shopping online: beware of unbelievable deals; shop on trustworthy sites; defend computers by installing a secure firewall, anti-virus and anti-spyware software; be wary of phishing-scammers who send emails claiming problems with orders/accounts to lure buyers into revealing financial info; protect your personal information; read the site's privacy policy to understand what personal information is being requested and how it is used. Confirm security: before paying online, look for an "s" in "https://" in the address box; pay by credit card as shoppers can dispute charges if ordered items are not delivered or if unauthorized charges occur; keep documentation of online orders; and, check credit card statements for suspicious activity.

Address Numbers on Your Home



The Gladstone Fire Dept. requests residents please check address numbers placed on the front of their homes. Address numbers need to be 4 inches or larger, have a light for

night time hours and stand out in a contrasting color to the home. Their quick response when responding to emergencies is dependent upon them finding your home. Please do your part and place large, lighted, numbers on your home!

Follow the Star

17th Annual Follow the Star event, Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2 & 7, 8,9, 2018 at Gladstone Park Conference Center, 19500 Oatfield Rd. Visit www.FollowtheStar.us for info.

Gladstone Fire Department Updates-

Greetings and HAPPY HOLIDAYS from Gladstone Fire Department. As Thanksgiving approaches, be sure to prepare for the colder weather as you gather with family and friends. Prepare your plan for power outages. Plan the safe use of candles (if necessary) and use battery operated flashlights whenever possible. Do not use BBQ or propane cooking devices inside your home during power outages for temporary heating or cooking.

Don't forget to give a little attention to your vehicle as well. Have you prepared your car for winter yet this year? Pack a blanket, sturdy shoes, water, a flashlight and even some emergency food. Carry traction devices and consider jumper cables. Remember, sometimes people get stuck in winter conditions in areas without cell phone reception. Be prepared so this isn't you.

Still trying to find the perfect gift for someone? Consider a gift of a new smoke alarm or Carbon Monoxide detector. Remember the effective life of today's alarm is about 10 years. Maybe provide a new flashlight for a winter power outage or a fire extinguisher for the home or

Do you have the ability to help your neighbors in addition to your own family this year? Gladstone citizens have a long history of giving and helping others during this time of year. Gladstone firefighters are doing our part to collect food and toys that are needed to help others in the city. For the last several years we have been blessed with great partners including Gladstone schools, our local Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, Gladstone City Library, and many local businesses. We also have quite a few private parties, individual families and charitable groups like the Portland Sunshine Division and Clackamas County Compassion in Action that give so much to our citizens. Watch for signs and the big blue barrels around town in local businesses where you can drop off food donations and new unwrapped toys for others in our town. If you have any trouble finding these drop off locations, just bring it by the fire station and your firefighters will get it where it needs to go. DON'T WAIT - some of the best Christmas deals come early in the season and we have crews that will start sorting food and toys in November to get ahead of the Christmas rush.

Stay warm and be safe, call 911 for emergencies. For non-emergency concerns you can reach the fire department at 503-557-2774 or the local Fire Marshal at 503-557-2775.



November 2018

A monthly publication of the Senior Center

1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027 (503) 655-7701

Important Dates

NOV. 22 &23 – Senior Center closed in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. **DEC. 8**– AARP Safe Driving Course. RSVP today. **DEC. 13**– Annual Holiday Luncheon. Please RSVP. \$3.00 per person.

The staff at the Senior Center are dedicated to serving the Gladstone community. Through our programs and services, we work to enhance the lives of seniors living in and near the City. Though our focus is primarily on seniors, we work with everyone regardless of age. For those whom might not know, the Senior Center also functions as an information and referral center. If you or someone you know is in need of help, services, or simply just need to speak with someone, we are here for that. Take a moment to see what we are all about, you might just be surprised to see what you are missing here. Hope to see you soon! For more information about the Senior Center, please visit us online at: https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc

Medicare Open Enrollment Oct. 15 - Dec. 7

Use the Plan Finder at MEDICARE.GOV

Did you miss the open enrollment meeting at the Senior Center? Do you still need assistance with making the best decision for your Medicare Plan? Have no worries, SHIBA is here to help. Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance or SHIBA, is a state of Oregon program designed to assist you with making the best decision during the Medicare Open Enrollment period, which ends on Friday, December 7, 2018. Certified counselors are available to meet with you during this period. You have the option of meeting at the Senior Center if needed. For more information on this program or to set up an appointment

with a counselor, please call 1-800-722-4134. You may also download the 2019 Oregon Guide to Medicare Insurance Plans by visiting: https://healthcare.oregon.gov/shiba/Documents/2019-medicare-guide-web.pdf



As part of a new ongoing series, Did you know? We will highlight groups and individuals that make our Senior Center great. Did you know about the Gladstone Seniors Foundation? Part 2.

Last month we introduced the Gladstone Seniors Foundation to you and talked a bit about what they do for the Senior Center. As we mentioned last month,

they provide funding for capital improvements on the building. However, since it's founding in 2004, the Foundation has also provided countless support to seniors living in Gladstone. One of the most successful programs of the Foundation has been its scholarship program. The scholarship program provides funding to seniors who are not able to pay for excursions to local area attractions, an important part of fighting loneliness and isolation in the senior population. The Foundations' largest continuing contribution has been to the special events we host. These events range from your annual Valentines Luncheon to the Holiday Season Luncheon to the most important event of the year, the 50th Wedding Anniversary Luncheon. This luncheon honors those couples that have been married for 50 years or more; a rare milestone these days. 100% of the cost is covered by the Foundation and nothing is expected in return. The Foundation matters, they are a crucial part of what makes the Senior Center successful. This year, please consider the Foundation for your yearend contributions. For more information, please contact the Senior Center Manager at (503) 655-7701 or by email at black@ci.gladstone.or.us. Have a great November everyone!

Nov. 19, 2018. Still Life by Louise Penny



Gamache series. are called in to the scene of a suspicious death in a rural village south of Montreal.

Please join the Gladstone/ Oak Grove Rotary Thursday's at First book in the Chief Inspector Armand noon for lunch, speakers, and community relations. All are welcome to attend. Guests eat for free. If you are a Gladstone/ mache of Quebec and Oak Grove professional looking for a organization to join and his team of investigators make a difference in your community, than Rotary is the place for you! For more information on our club, please visit: www.gladstoneoakgroverotary.org/ We hope to see you!







Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Lunch is provided TuesThurs. starting at 11:45am. For everyone over age 60, it's a suggested donation of \$2.50 per person, everyone else is \$4.00. Menu is subject to change without notice. Lunch does include a hot meal, salad bar, and soup option. No reservations are needed. Do you live in Gladstone and need a ride here? Give us a call, we'll come and get you and take you home. We hope to see you!				1– Beef Patty & Gravy A= Pinochle A= Board Games	2- A= Bridge @ 12pm	3-	
4-	5- Gold Star Potluck @ 12 pm	6– Braised Beef Tips A= Bingo S= Fred Meyer	7– Veggie Chili A= Bunco S= Safeway	8– 1/2 Meatloaf Sandwich A= Pinochle A= Board Games	9- A= Bridge @ 12 pm	10-	
11-	12- Veterans Day Center Closed	13- Garlic Chicken & Pota- toes A= Bingo	14– Hot Dog & Sauerkraut A= Bunco S= Safeway	15– Thanksgiv- ing Luncheon A= Pinochle A= Board Games	16- A= Bridge @ 12 pm	17-	
18	19- Book Club @ 10:30 am	20– Chicken Penne Pasta A= Bingo S= Walmart	21– Roasted Tur- key A= Bunco S= Safeway	22-Thanksgiving Day Center Closed	23- Center Closed	24-	
25-	26-	27– Baked Ham A= Bingo	28– Chicken Tetrazzini A= Bunco S= Safeway	29– Baked Beef Rigatoni A= Pinochle A= Board Games	30- A= Bridge @ 12 pm		

NOV 16-NORTHWEST SENIOR THEATRE-TWAS THE DAZE BEFORE CHRISTMAS-A stop at Al's garden cen-

ter, lunch at Red Lobster and then the show! Lv: 8:30AM Ret:r5:30PM Fare: \$15

NOV 30-THRIFT SHOPS 82ND **AVENUE -**Deserte Industries, the Salvation Army, the Goodwill, and lunch at Sunny's diner. Lv: 9am Ret: 3pm Fare: \$7

DEC 6 (THURSDAY) OLD SPAGHETTI FACTORY AND CHRISTMAS SHIPS -

The ships will be sailing past, all lit up for the holidays! Lv: 4:30 Ret: 7:30 Fare: \$7 **DEC 10 (MONDAY)-WINTER WONDERLAND AT PIR-** We'll take a drive on the racetrack and enjoy lots of lights for this annual event. A stop for dessert at Shari's will complete our evening. Lv: 5:30 Ret: 8:30 Fare: \$10

DEC. 13(THURDAY) ASPEN MEADOWS CELEBRATION OF LIGHT-This year, our theme is "*The Greatest is Love*". We ask that you come and share in our celebration. Bask in the cool air and warm glow of the lights, listen to the music of the season, hear the giggles of children young and old, and feel the peace that surrounds you in this beautiful place. Lv: 4:30pm Ret: 7pm Fare: \$7

Dec 28-JUST LUNCH-GUSTAV'S-Just lunch today at this German restau-

rant. Weather permitting, we'll take a drive afterwards. Lv: 10:30am Ret: 2pm Fare: \$5



All Senior Center Tram Trips are non-refundable. Any cancellations or unused funds will be credited towards a future Tram trip. For more on our policy, please visit ci.gladstone.or.us/Sc



 Nancy D.
 11/1
 Pat K.
 11/20

 Patsy O.
 11/5
 Sharleen C.
 11/23

 Norm C.
 11/13
 Mary Ann P.
 11/30

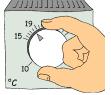
 Bill S.
 11/14
 Donna T.
 11/30

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!!!

Are you a senior living in Gladstone and need a ride somewhere? The Senior Center provides rides for personal, medical, and shopping trips. For a suggested donation of \$1.00 each way and a round trip radius of 15 miles, we can get you there. Some restrictions apply. This service offered Tuesday-Thursday every week. For more information or to sign up, please call (503) 655-7701. Thank you.

Energy Assistance

Clackamas County Social Services facilitates the Energy Assistance Program, which may be able to assist lowincome 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 https://www.clackamas.us/socialservices/energy.html or call the Social Services office 503-650-5640.

Ready for Snowy, Icy Winter Weather?



When wintery weather blows will you be ready? It's time to take action now before the bad weather sets in. Find your snow shovel and place it close to where you will need it & make sure you have a good supply of de-icing compound. Check the antifreeze level in your car, replace older batteries, check your tires for proper inflation and keep the gas tank near full to avoid freezing water in the

fuel line. Things that could come in handy if you get stuck on the road: bags of sand or non-clumping cat litter, an ice scraper, jumper cables, tire chains, flares or reflective triangles, blanket, flashlight & batteries, a gallon jug of drinking water, jacket, hat, gloves, socks & sturdy shoes/boots, first aid kit and always travel with your cell phone fully charged so you can call for help if needed.

Our Community Cat Rescue

"Greetings neighbors. We are having a fundraiser selling Tshirts with our logo on the front. Mens, women's and child size. We receive \$5-\$10 on each T-shirt we sell and we will use the \$ for rescues in the spring. We are selling them for \$25 each or 2/\$45. You can message us at claudiapropper@gmail.com or reach us on Facebook. You can reach us via the nextdoor app - via Janice Saban, to place an order. https:/



m.facebook.com/Our-Community-Cat-Rescue-374494242897749/. Thanks.

Get Ready for the Winter Months

Here are a few things you can do now to get your indoor and outdoor water systems ready for winter preventing costly repairs and wasted water.

*Before shutting the irrigation system down for the winter, run each zone of the system separately checking for leaks, broken/misaligned spray heads, and other maintenance issues. When it is time to shut the system down for the winter completely drain all of the water out of the system to prevent freezing.

*Shut off all outside water, disconnect hoses, open the hose bibs, and wrap or cover the hose bibs to prevent freezing. Store hoses, spray nozzles, and sprinklers inside, this will prevent freezing and breaking during the winter.

*Insolate all exposed and venerable water pipes and cover the foundation vents to keep out the cold winter air.

*Make sure everyone in the home knows where the main water shut off valve is and how to use it. If a pipe breaks during the winter the water will be shut off much quicker and could prevent costly damage. And last but not least, make sure the emergency phone numbers to your local water provider and a plumbing specialist are posted where everyone can see it. In an emergency this will save time and possibly prevent damage to your home.

For more water conservation tips visit the Clackamas River Water Providers conservation page on our website at www.clackamasproviders.org/water-conservation/.

Help 1st & 2nd Graders at John Wetten Develop Their Reading Skills!

Volunteer at John Wetten Elementary one hour a week to read with children in our community and:

- Inspire a love of reading and books
- Read one-on-one with PreK third-graders
- Training and support provided!
- SMART students receive books for their home collection

Programs run during school hours-October 2018 - May 2019. Time commitment varies—minimum one hour a week

Apply online at: www. getsmartoregon.org/volunteer Applications accepted year-round. Apply today!

Gladstone Food Pantry has Re-Opened!

The Gladstone Food Pantry re-opened in August with volunteer leaders Ruthann Aurentz and Alex Van Pelt taking the lead until funds can be raised to hire a part-time manager. Any family that needs food is welcome to visit the shopping-style pantry once a week to get fresh produce, meat, milk, canned goods, frozen foods, bread, and more. All are The pantry is open each Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon. The pantry is located on the north side of the Gladstone High School campus off Nelson Lane. [Park on the street and look for the green sign] To donate, to volunteer, or to find out more, call 503.496.3947.

Informed Delivery by USPS

Digitally preview your mail and manage your packages scheduled to arrive soon! Informed Delivery allows you to view grayscale images of the exterior, address side of letter-sized mail pieces and track packages in one convenient location. (Images are only provided for letter-sized mail pieces that are processed through USPS' automated equipment). Visit https://informeddelivery.usps.com/box/pages/ intro/start.action for more information

Studded Tire Season

The studded tire season started November 1st and runs through March 31, 2019. ODOT encourages drivers to consider other types of traction tires or chains. If you must travel when weather conditions present difficulties, use other types of traction tires or chains, or postpone your travel



until conditions change for the better. A study completed in 2014 concluded studded tires cause about \$8.5 million in damage each year on state highways. 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.

Local Telephone Numbers

*City Hall General Business Line

*Utility Billing/Water/Sewer Acct Info	503-557-2771
*Municipal Court/Traffic Citations	503-557-2772
*Public Works	503-656-7957
*Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm	503-557-2797
*Fire Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm	503-557-2776
*Non-Emergency Dispatch	503-655-8211
*Library	503-656-2411
*Senior Center	503-655-7701
*Recreation/Business License	503-557-2766
*Planning	503-742-4520
*Building/Electrical/Plumbing Permits	503-742-4400
*Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance	503-557-2763
*Gladstone School District	503-655-2777
*Gladstone High School	503-655-2544
*Kraxberger Middle School	503-655-3636
*Wetten Elementary School	503-656-6564
*Gladstone Disposal Company	503-656-9426
*Dept. of Motor Vehicles (DMV)	503-299-9999
*Portland General Electric	503-228-6322
*Northwest Natural Gas	503-226-4211
*Comcast Cable	1-800-934-6489









503-656-5225

Get Social

Connect with the City of Gladstone on Social Media and stay up-to-date with all the latest news.









Gladstone City Newsletter

If you have a community event you would like to see in the upcoming Gladstone City Newsletter, please send it to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us. Articles are due on or before the 5th of each month to appear in the upcoming Newsletter.

Rotary Invite to Hear Speakers

The Gladstone-Oak Lodge Rotary Club invites community members to join the club for lunch and the opportunity to hear featured speakers at upcoming meetings. Lunch is \$15, and all club meetings are Thursdays at noon at the Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Ave. Upcoming speakers include:

- Dec. 1st—Dwight Holton for Lines for Life
- Dec. 13th—Timberliners Christmas Show
- Jan. 4th—Anita Boyde, Patient Advocates.

The Rotary Club supports the Gladstone community in many ways. Projects include: planning for the Community Festival; providing scholarships for GHS & Rex Putnam graduates; supporting the Gladstone Food Pantry; donations to the Gladstone Kids Clothes Closet; planting 7 peace poles across Gladstone; donating dictionaries to all third graders; donating books to the Gladstone Center for Children & Families. New members are always welcome! To find out more, attend any meetings, contact Baldwin at baldinrotary@comcast.net.

Planning & Permits



The City contracts with Clackamas County for administration of the City's land use planning

and building permits, including plumbing, electrical, grading, etc. For more information, visit the county's website www.clackamas.us/building or call 503-742-4519.

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Library News—135 E. Dartmouth

The Library will be closed on Tuesday Decem- lap bounces, cuddles, and play to help with early ber 25th and Tuesday, January 1st.

*Food for Fines!

your overdue fines for every nonperishable food item you donate. Lost item replacement costs cannot be waived. Ramen will not be accepted, and each item will be checked for an expiration date.

*Adult Winter Reading

Begins Dec. 21 and ends March 19, 2019 Gear up for the library's annual Adult Winter Name - Jean Dillon Reading program! Starting Dec. 21, sign up and get a BINGO card at the Information Desk. Read until next March for prizes! We will also give away gift baskets to three grand prize winners in a drawing at the end of March. To enter the drawing, complete one BINGO. Complete a blackout BINGO and get three entries in the drawing! Everyone age 18+ is encouraged to participate.

Dungeons and Dragons

17th at 4:30 PM Monday, December Whether you already love D&D or just want to see what it's all about, join us for an evening of adventure!

*Doctor Who Club

Thursday, December 20th at 6 PMAre you a fan of Doctor Who? Meet fellow fans, watch an episode, and share any show related news. All ages are welcome.

*There will not be a Rock Readers Book Club meeting in December

*Children's Programs

No storytimes the week of Christmas or New Years!

*Toddler Storytime

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM, except for December 25th This storytime is for ages 18 months—3 years, with songs, books, and play for early development. Older siblings are welcome to sing and dance with us.

*Baby Storytime

Wednesdays at 9:30 AM, except for December 26th This storytime is geared towards babies from 0-18 months and their caregivers with books, songs,

development.

503-656-2411

*All Ages Storytime

During the entire month of December, earn \$1 off Thursdays at 9:30 AM, except for December 27th All ages are welcome to join us for books, songs, rhymes and movement activities that build literacy and language skills.

*Teen Programs

No Teen Advisory Meeting in December! **VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT!**

Hometown – Gladstone, Oregon

Why do you enjoy volunteering at Gladstone Library? Just wanted a place to volunteer - something that wouldn't come in the middle of my work schedule. I have worked in libraries for years 4 years in college, was the librarian in one of the schools where I taught.

Where is the best place you've traveled and why? Backpacking in the Saw Tooth Mountains. I was with friends in the great outdoors.

What is the weirdest job you have ever had? None of my jobs have been weird - have all been adventures and great opportunities to learn new

Do you have any pets? How many? What kind? Yes, a cat. His name is "Bear"

What are 3 words that best describe you? Conscientious, helpful and quiet. My mom used to always say "make yourself useful as well as ornamental".

Where would you like to go on a dream vacation? Any place I could just sit and soak in all the beauty the great outdoors.

What is your favorite food? An easier question to answer would be what is your least favorite food. Answer – liver.

What is your favorite activity to do in your free time? At my age, my favorite thing to do is take a nap. I also enjoy visiting with friends.

What is something most people don't know about you? Lived out of the states for more than 15 years teaching in American schools.

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CITY MEETINGS:

*<u>City Council</u>—2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) -6:30 pm—in the City Hall Council Chambers

*<u>Planning Commission</u>—3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm In City Hall Council Chambers *<u>Library Board</u>—Ist Tuesday—6:30 pm—City Hall Council

*<u>Traffic Safety</u>—4th Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm—City Hall Council Chambers *<u>Park & Recreation</u>—2nd Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm

In City Hall Council Chambers *<u>Senior Center Advisory</u>—held bi-monthly —3rd Tuesday— 3:00 pm-Gladstone Senior Center

Copies of City Council and Planning Commission meeting packets are on our website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us

Drop Off Unwanted Prescriptions at Gladstone PD



Flushing drugs down the toilet or putting them into the garbage have damaging effects on our environment and can contaminate our surface & 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 Police Department, MED RETURN receptacle, Monday-Friday, 8am to 5pm. No paperwork or fee required!

Local Meetings—

♦The Gladstone Business Owners & Managers meeting is moving to quarterly meetings. The next meeting will be located at the Gladstone Fire Station on December 12, 2018. Please contact Sheldon Penner at sheldon@AmicusData.com or 503-516-8618 for additional information.

♦The Gladstone Historical always welcome! Old photos of Society is looking for new the community and new ideas members! They meet the 2nd are needed. Thursday of each month at The Gladstone-Oak Grove 6:30pm at Gladstone City Hall Kiwanis meets every Tuesday Conference Room (enter at E at 7:00am temporarily at the Dartmouth door), 525 Portland Bomber Restaurant, 13515 SE Ave. Gladstone, OR 97027. For McLoughlin Blvd. Milwaukie, info, check out their website at, OR 97222. Visitors are welcome www.gladstone-toattend. See you there! historialsociety.org. Guests