

GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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Where your property tax dollar goes*



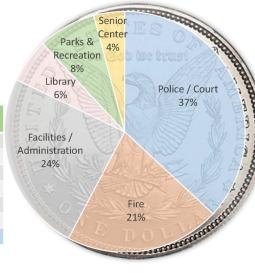
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Gladstone General Fund* (2019-21 Biennium)

	Budget (Millions	Staff) (FTE)	
Police / Court	\$6.2	18.5	
Fire	3.5	5.0	
Facilities / Administration	4.1	7.4	
Library	1.0	5.5	
Parks & Recreation	1.3	2	
Senior Center	0.7	3.5	
Total	\$16.5	43.0	

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82nd Drive Pedestrian Bridge Update



The 82nd Drive Pedestrian Bridge is scheduled to re-open in February 2020 to play a very important role in our region's future. After seismic upgrades are complete, the bridge should be able to withstand a magnitude 9.0 earthquake and provide passage across the river for emergency vehicles should such a catastrophic event occur.

Clackamas County Water Environment Services (WES) owns and maintains the bridge, which is popular with walkers and bicyclists who cross the Clackamas River between Gladstone and Oregon City. The bridge also carries sewer pipes and utility lines across the river.



The City of Gladstone worked with WES on permitting for the project. During the week of October 14, pile driving on the Gladstone side of the bridge was completed ahead of schedule.



The bridge was built in the early 1920s and was converted for use by pedestrians and bicyclists after Interstate 205 was built in the mid-1970s. WES has owned the bridge since 1998. For more information about the 82nd Drive Pedestrian Bridge Project, please visit https://www.clackamas.us/wes/pedbridge.html.

WES also just released their 2019 Annual Report with more information on the 82nd Drive Pedestrian Bridge as well as other news. The report can be found at http://bit.ly/20Rmxpg.



City Office Closures

All Gladstone City offices will be closed on Monday, November 11, 2019 in observance of Veteran's Day. Offices will also be closed November 28th and 29th

Upcoming City Council Meeting

The next City Council Meeting will be held on November 12, 2019 at 6:30pm in the Council Chambers located at City Hall. Upcoming meeting information can be viewed online at: https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings.

Upcoming Planning Commission Meeting

The next Planning Commission Meeting will be held on November 19, 2019. For more information or to view the upcoming meeting agenda, please visit: https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings

City of Gladstone Tree Lighting Ceremony



The 3rd annual Holiday Tree Lighting Party will be Friday, November 29th at 7:00 p.m. at the Gladstone Senior Center parking lot, 1050 Portland

Avenue. Starting at 6:00 p.m. there will be cocoa, cookies, caroling and Santa!!! 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!

Shop with a Cop!

ᇌ The 13th Annual Shop with a Cop! will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2019. In 2018, over 100 kids were able to shop with a cop at the Happy Valley Wal-Mart store. Many uniformed police officers, deputy sheriff's, and other law enforcement were paired with the kids, who each was given a \$100 gift card. Interestingly, almost all the kids shopped for their family members first, then themselves! Officers and kids learned a great deal from each other during this great event. The GPD is working to raise enough money so that 150 kids can Shop with a Cop! The entire event is funded with donations, from the public and businesses. If you'd like to contribute, you can donate by visiting the Clackamas County Peace Officer's Benevolent Foundation at www.ccpobf.org or drop donations off at the Gladstone Police Dept. 100% of donations are used for Shop with a Cop!

Adopt-A Family

Adopt-A-Family efforts work to help struggling families during the holiday season, providing food & toys to local families. Partners in this effort include the Gladstone Fire Dept. (GFD), Gladstone School District, Gladstone Kiwanis, Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary and numerous private donations. Canned food and new unwrapped toy donation barrels are located at the GFD, Gladstone Library, and various Gladstone businesses. Donations must be received by Dec. 20, 2019. Visit the Compassion in Action website at <u>www.ciacc.org</u> or call 503-632-0562 for more information

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Gladstone Police Department (GPD) Chief's Corner By Chief John Schmerber

Greetings, I have been asked a few times, "What is the Gladstone Police Department philosophy on responding to calls for service?" Do the officers make phone calls or actually respond to the citizen in person? This question is a great opportunity for me to share our police departments response protocol to calls for service. When a citizen calls for police service, that citizen will receive a police officer in person. There may be times when a citizen only would like a phone call or the citizen would like to remain anonymous at which point we will accommodate those



requests. What is important is that when you as a citizen calls either the non-emergency dispatch number (503-655-8211) or 911, depending on the situation, please provide your contact information so that officers know who, where and how to contact you. We had a recent situation where the Gladstone Police Department received a call for service early in the morning hours and was unable contact the complainant because there was no information on where and how to contact them. The situation had resolved itself prior to the police arriving but unfortunately officers who had responded to that incident could not follow up until the next morning when we received a follow up call inquiring about the incident and then had the opportunity to contact all involved individuals. The Gladstone Police Department's priority is to respond to all community members and will strive to meet community's expectations. There may be times when all officers are busy with priority calls but rest assured, an officer will respond to assist you at the earliest possible moment.

A Message from Gladstone Fire Marshal Mike Funk



Gladstone Fire Department is pleased to announce that four new people have qualified for and are in training to become on-call Firefighters. By the end of this year, these recruits will have put in more than 128 hours in weekend training sessions to become certified and serve Gladstone residents as firefighters.

Being a firefighter for the City is not a simple process. Each person that applies is tested, screened and fully vetted before being invited to the training academy. Gladstone's fire academy requires training every other weekend from September to March. Once the training is successfully completed, they will be sworn into the Fire Department.

Gladstone relies on the dedication of our on-call firefighters to respond 24/7, to meet the emergency needs of our City. By the end of this year our Gladstone firefighters will have responded to approximately 1600 calls for help.

We currently have 24 on-call firefighters who work 12 or 24 hour shifts in addition to the regular full time jobs they have. In addition to the shifts on-call firefighters are scheduled, they may be called back at any time to supplement a working crew or help at any significant alarm or major emergency.

You can see from the required training hours listed above, this is a very demanding job. You must be extremely committed to helping others to give all the hours the fire service demands from our workforce. Many of our firefighters over the years have started with Gladstone and moved on to full time "career" fire jobs in this area and across the State. While it is tough to lose a good firefighter to another department, I find comfort in the fact that Gladstone firefighters are trained and dedicate so much time helping our community.

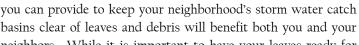


Christmas is just around the corner. Not everyone can serve as a firefighter, but anyone can help by giving and supporting our community with donations of food and toys

this Christmas season. We have developed many partners to assist in Gladstone's Christmas effort in the last few years.

For now, stay safe inside and outside your home with good lighting to avoid trips and falls. Have a flashlight available for power outages. Carry a blanket, some water, and emergency food in your car. Don't forget to check on that elderly neighbor this fall and into this winter. Keep your house numbers clear, on

contrasting background and lighted so our firefighters can find you in the dark when you need us. Test your smoke alarms, and dial 911 for emergencies. Michael Funk, Fire Marshal, 503-557-2775



neighbors. 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 your leaf pick-up date is a violation of city code and 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 PICKUP THE DAY BEFORE YOUR AREA'S FIRST SCHEDULED DAY OF SERVICE. We ask that you please not mix anything in with your leaves such as limbs, etc. 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.

If you have any questions, please call your Public Works Department at 503-656-7957,e-mail PWOffice@ci.gladstone.or.us. or call Code Compliance at 503-557-2763. Our staff and crew look forward to serving you!

City Board Applications

Several terms on City committees, boards and commissions will expire the end of 2019. At the December 10, 2019 meeting, the City Council will consider requests for appointments and reappointments to three (3) positions on the Planning Commission, three (3) positions on the Budget Committee, three (3) terms on the Traffic Safety Advisory Board, three (3) terms on the Park & Recreation Advisory Board, two (2) terms on the Senior Center Advisory Board and two (2) terms on the Audit Committee and two (2) one-year terms on the Library Advisory Board. To obtain an application and information about serving on a committee, board or commission, visit the city's website at www.ci.gladstone.or.us, email <u>bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us</u>, call 503-557-2769 or stop by City Hall. Applications must be returned by 5:00 pm on December 3, 2019.

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/.

Leaf Pickup Program and Code Compliance

by filling your yard debris container first before putting your

leaves in the street. Each resident who puts their leaves in their

yard debris container each week helps reduce the cost of sending

out the street sweeper, a loader, and up to two dump trucks to provide this service to our residents. We do appreciate all our

citizens who contribute in helping to maintain efficiency in our

city. When placing your leaves in the street please put them in

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between the curb and the leaf pile is to allow water to drain into

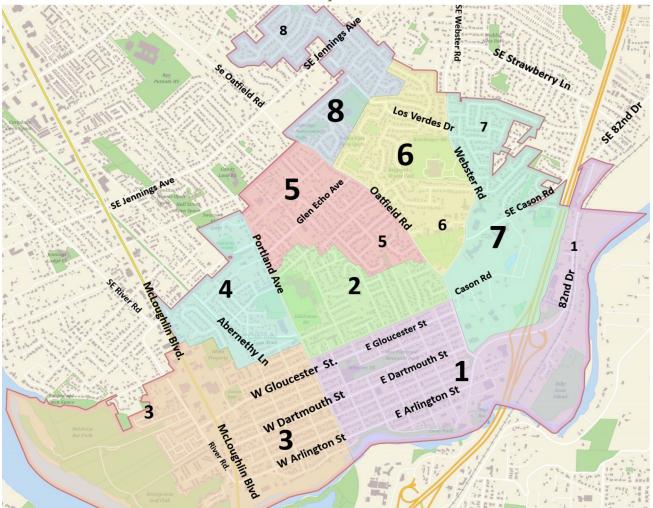
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Leaf Pick Up Schedule



Gladstone Public Works Department schedules our 2019 leaf pick-up service with cost effectiveness and efficiency in mind. Public Works asks for your cooperation by filling your yard debris cans first before putting your leaves in the street. Each resident who puts their leaves in their yard debris can each week helps reduce the cost of sending out the street sweeper, a loader, and up to two dump trucks to provide this service to our residents. We do appreciate all our citizens who contribute in helping to maintain efficiency in our City. 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 3, 4 and 5	1	October 28 - November 4	
Areas 6 and 7	:	November 4 - 8	
Area 8	:	November 12 - 15	
Areas 1 & 2	:	November 18 - 22	
Areas 3 & 4	:	December 2 - 6	
Areas 5 & 6	:	December 9 - 13	
Areas 7 & 8	:	December 16 - 20	

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. With the rainy season coming, any help you can provide to keep your neighborhood's stormwater catch basins clear of leaves and debris will benefit both you and your neighbors. A rake is all it takes!

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 rainwater 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.

- Limit On-Street Parking, during leaf pick up dates, move cars off street
- Move Basketball Hoops for Clearance of Large Equipment
- 1-2 feet Curb Clearance
- Help Keep Catch Basins Clear

As always, if you have any questions, please call your Public Works Department at 503 656-7957, or by e-mail to <u>PWOffice@ci.gladstone.or.us</u>. Our office hours are weekdays, from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.



Glad Tydings

November 2019– A Monthly Publication of the Senior Center

Medicare

Oct. 15th – Dec. 7th

2019-2020 Medicare Open Enrollment Seminar

It is time once again to review your 2019 plan, change your plan, or enroll in a plan if you do not already have one. Each year, in coordination with Clackamas County and the State of Oregon, the Gladstone Senior Center hosts an informational seminar and individual counseling session. This year's event

will be held on <u>Thursday, November 14th, 2019</u>. The Medicare presentation will be from 11:00am to 12:00pm to be followed by individual counseling from 12:30pm to 4:00pm. Individual counseling will be provided by Certified SHIBA (Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance) volunteer counselors from the state SHIBA program. If you are unable to attend this presentation and would like assistance with Medicare, please contact Clackamas County SHIBA, available year around, at (503) 655-8269 option 4.

Giving thanks- The last year has been a challenging one, to state the obvious. In October of 2018, the Senior Center experienced serious damage due to a leak in the roof. This damage spread from the kitchen to the billiards room, seeping into the ceiling of the reception area and lobby, and ended in the restrooms. The damage caused us to cease full operations for more than 3 months, with partial operations starting in February of 2019. We were finally able to resume full operations in May of 2019. This event really shook the staff of the Senior Center to the core. Those we serve in the community and beyond are more than just our clients, they are our friends. When events such as these happen it is hard for staff too. However, we made it and so did our friends. It was not easy and we were not able to accomplish anything without help from others. During this time we received great support from the City Council, City Administrator, Public Works, and other City staff. It is also important to understand that we had the help of our partner senior centers in Clackamas County, particularly the Pioneer Center in Oregon City. The Pioneer Center went above and beyond to assist us in our time of need. Now you may be asking yourself why does this all matter? Well, it's Thanksgiving, a time of reflection and most importantly thanks. It can be easy for us to get caught up in the day to day tasks that we all deal with; kids, work, politics, and more. This is the time of year, traditionally, that we take a moment to reflect on the past year and ready ourselves for the new one just around the corner. I encourage all of you to take a moment to reflect on all of the good stuff we have despite all the negativity we find ourselves facing each day. I for one am excited for all of the projects happening in the City, the new Civic building, even the challenging work that our outstanding Public Works is doing daily to keep our City functioning. So take time today, tomorrow, and next week to reflect on all of the good things in our lives. Happy Thanksgiving everyone! -Colin Black, Manager

Important dates to remember

<u>Nov. 4–</u>Gold Star Potluck. 12pm

<u>Nov. 6–</u> Long Term Care Seminar. 10 am. Free.

<u>Nov. 11–</u>Center closed for Veterans Day.

Nov. 14– Medicare Seminar. 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Free.

Nov. 18-Book Club. 10:30 am.

Nov. 21– Thanksgiving Lunch

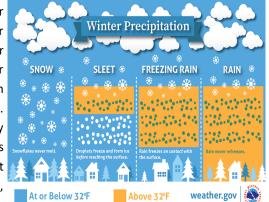
<u>Nov. 28 & 29</u>– Center closed for Thanksgiving.

Did you know? If there are programs or activities that you are interested in at the Senior Center and being able to afford them is a barrier for you, the *Gladstone Seniors Foundation* is there to help you. Our *Gladstone Seniors Foundation* provides scholarships for seniors residing in Gladstone to participate. For more information on this program, please see the Senior Center Manager. Thank you.

Our club meets each Thursday at 12pm, at the Gladstone Senior Center. Stop by, lunch is on us.



Preparing for Winter– Are you ready? Preparing today for winter is essential for all of us. Take some time today to ready yourself and your family for the winter season. Know what our area's risks for winter storms are. Extreme winter weather storms have the potential to leave our community without utilities or other services for long periods of time. Prepare your home to keep out the cold with insulation, caulking, and weather stripping. Learn how to keep pipes from freezing. Install and test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors with battery backups. Clackamas County has programs that will assist you with this if help is needed, call (503) 650-5678 for more information. Create an emergency supply kit for your car. Include jumper cables, sand, a flashlight, warm clothes, blankets, bottled water, and non-perishable snacks. Keep the gas tank full. Finally, gather



supplies in case you need to stay home for several days without power. Keep in mind each person's specific needs, including medication. Do not forget the needs of pets. Have extra batteries for radios and flashlights. As a reminder, the City of Gladstone has 2 warming centers, the Senior Center and the Library operating during regular business hours.

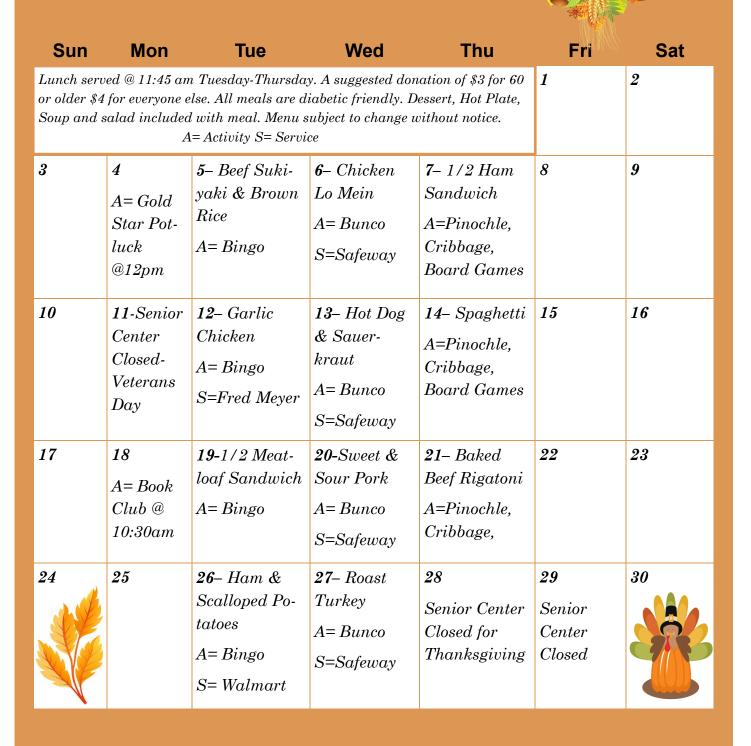
<u>Senior Center Book Club– November 18, 2019</u> The Invention of Wings by Georgia Hunter. This historical fiction tells the story of the wealthy Grimke sisters of Charleston, S.C. On Sarah's 11th birthday she is given ownership of 10 year-old Hetty "Handful" who will be her handmaid. They embark on remarkable journeys f



who will be her handmaid. They embark on remarkable journeys for the next 35 years as they strive to form a life of their own forming a complex relationship.

Senior Center Hours of Operation Monday– Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm 1050 Portland Ave. Gladstone, Or. 97027 (503) 655-7701 <u>ci.gladstone.or.us/sc</u>

November 2019





NOVEMBER 2019 TRAM TRIPS, RESERVE YOUR TRIP STARTING 11/5/2019 @ 8:30 AM

STARTING JANUARY 2020, THE SENIOR CENTER WILL NO LONGER MAIL POSTCARDS FOR TRIPS. TRIP ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE POSTED IN THIS NEWSLETTER AND AT THE SENIOR CENTER.

NOV. 8– OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY– THE BEATLES!- In 1965, the Beatles came to Portland and history was made. This exhibit chronicles that visit, as well as showing memorabilia from this iconic group. There are many other exhibits to visit too! Lunch at Kell's first. LV: 10:30 AM RET: 2 PM FARE: \$20 (Includes museum admission)

SUNDAY-NOV. 17 OCHETTE BRIDGE CLUB-NEW CENTURY PLAYERS— On alternate Friday evenings, 8 sisters meet to play Bridge & gossip. The first act takes place in 1934, the second 10 years later. A charming comedy about American life in a by-gone era. LV: 1 PM RET: 4 PM FARE: \$20

NOV. 22 EXQUISITE CREATURES-OMSI- Exquisite Creatures, an artistic experience that unravels humanity's intimate relationship with the natural world. LV: 11:30 AM RET: 3 PM FARE: \$15

NOV. 29-THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY-NO TRIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1-SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE - We will attend a matinee performance of this wonderful holiday show. Please pay when signing up (you may sign up now) Lv. 12 noon Ret: 3:30pm Fare: \$45 **No credit for cancellation unless someone takes your place*.*

A Minute of Gladstone History – by Kim Argraves Huey, Gladstone Historical Society Historian



Are you ready for some football?

The summer Chautauqua was known for holding exciting baseball games, but did you know that football was equally popular in Gladstone? In 1897, football arrived in Gladstone. Not as a team

--that didn't happen until 1921-- but as a place to play. Most games were played by local teams on the fields at Canemah or Willamette Falls, such as Barclay vs. West Linn, McLaughlin vs. Willamette, Eastham vs. Park Place, the American Legion vs. Chemawa Indians, and the Commercial Club vs. anyone willing to play with them. (That team even called for volunteers from the grandstands to fill in for missing players on either side.) However, all BIG! important football games took place on the athletic field of Gladstone Park. Crowds as large as 2000 attended, and came from as far as Eugene, Camas, the Oregon Coast and Britain.

March 1896, ten Scottish lads and one English boy, all apprentices on four British ships in the harbor at Portland, were recruited to play the Oregon City Juniors at Gladstone Park. For this special game, unique rules were created. "No tripping, hacking, holding, pushing, or jumping at another player. No charging another player from behind unless the player was absolutely facing his own goal line. No carrying, knocking on, or handling the ball. Running, throwing, and kicking were allowed." Final score after three hours of play was Sailors 1, Juniors 0. (Wonder if anyone knew what was going on, including the players.)

Requirements for local teams were few. A man weighing at least 140 pounds could play, and if he gained to 145 pounds, so much the better. After that, any additional pounds might put him off the team. Height was not an issue.

In 1895, a local women's group decided to form a football team and play publicly. However, that notion soon dissolved into tears when the ladies found it impossible to keep spectators interested in their lady-like touchdowns. It seemed that gracefulness and good-manners on the gridiron didn't sell tickets. The ladies tossed away their pigskin and went back to crocheting.

The most anticipated game ever played in Gladstone Park was Thanksgiving Day, 1897. With free admission to the grounds, a horde of people descended on the athletic field to watch the Oregon City Athletic Club vs. Company F of the National Guard. At one intense point in the game, the anxious spectators left their seats, crowded the playing field, and pressed in so heavily on the players, the game had to be stopped. It seemed that folks were having trouble seeing the action. Once the audience was herded out of the field, the players regained their territory, and the Soldiers won 4-1. A photo of this game appears in the new Arcadia Book, "Images of America -Gladstone", available from the Gladstone Historical Society. www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org.

Community Clothes Closet/Gladstone Food Pantry

Located off Nelson Lane, behind the Gladstone High School

Clothes Closet is open: Thursdays from 3-5pm and Saturdays from 10am-12pm Free used clothing for youths from birth to 21 years old. Families are invited to choose: outfits, jackets, shoes, new socks & underwear.

Emergency need? Donations? Volunteers? Call Coordinator Joan Herrick at 971.258.4644

Food Pantry: Families are invited to choose nutritious food to meet their family's needs and preferences. Please bring reusable bags to carry your food.

Questions? Donations? Volunteers? Contact Alex Van Pelt at 503.496.3947 or AlexVanPelt349@gmail.com

The Clothes Closet and Food Pantry is run by local volunteers in partnership with the Gladstone School District. The Food Pantry operates as a School-Based Food Pantry under the Oregon Food Bank.

Follow the Star

Early free ticket reservations are available for Follow the Star 2019 for our neighbors in the Gladstone area only at www.ftsgladstone.com. Act quickly - general reservations open up online Nov. 4 at www.followthestar.us where you can also find more information. The 18th annual Follow the Star live nativity and holiday musical event is Dec. 6,7,8 and 13,14,15, 2019 at the Gladstone Park Conference Center grounds, 19500 Oatfield Rd., Gladstone. For this year more tickets will be placed online but some tickets will still be available each evening at the door on a first-come basis until the evening's capacity is reached. All tickets are free whether reserved online or gotten at the door.

November is Impaired Driving and Occupant **Protection Awareness Month**

If You Feel Different, You Drive Different. Drug-impaired driving is a problem on America's highways. Like drunk driving, drugged driving is impaired driving - which means it is dangerous and illegal. Whether the drug is legally prescribed or illegal, driving while drug-impaired poses a threat to the driver, vehicle passengers, and other road users. We want to spread the word about drug-impaired driving and to remind all drivers: If you are impaired by drugs and thinking about driving, pass your keys on to a sober driver. It doesn't matter what term is used, if a person is high, stoned, wasted, or drunk, he or she is impaired. Driving while impaired by any substance is illegal and can be deadly to the driver and other road users. It's that simple.

Buckle Up, Every Trip, Every Time. Seat belts save lives every day. They can only save lives, however, if they're used, and there are still many people in America who don't buckle up. Wearing a seat belt can reduce the risk of a fatal injury by 45%. This is why our community needs to know that wearing a seat belt can make the difference between life and death

Junior Baseball Association

The Gladstone Junior Baseball Association (GJBA) will be holding its annual open meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 10that Flying Pie Pizza, 16691 SE McLoughlin Blvd. Milwaukie. This is an open meeting to discuss the

plans for the 2020 baseball season. All are welcome to attend. There is an opening on the board for a Rookie Coordinator. If you have a player that is K-2 and have interest in helping to manage the Rookie season come to the meeting and see what GJBA is all about. If you have question, visit www.GladstoneJuniorBaseball.com click "about" and "contact" to email any of our Board Members.

SafeOregon School Safety Tip Line

The goal of the SafeOregon Tip Line is to prevent school safety threats from occurring by providing schools, students and communities with a tool for anonymously reporting potential threats, including bullying, self-harm and other concerns. Tips can be submitted in a variety of ways, including phone calls and texts- 844-472-3367, the web (www.tips.safeoregon.com), email (tip@safeoregon.com), and the mobile app. Tip line technicians go through tips 24/7, 365 days a week where they are analyzed and sent to designated personnel who can provide assistance resolving reported incidents. One tip can save a life! Encouraging reporting at schools or online leads to a culture of safety.

When a potential safety threat is reported, SafeOregon has the chance to prevent violence. Remember: If you SEE something, SAY something.



GHS students "Give Back" to Gladstone Nature Park



Scores of Gladstone High School students braved the elements on Saturday, Oct. 19, to spend a productive morning maintaining trails in the Gladstone Nature Park. Gladstone

Give Back Day, organized by GHS math teacher, Lynnda Prom, is an annual opportunity for GHS students to perform service to the city and community.

Gladstone Give Back Day is one of the largest work parties for the Gladstone Nature Park and is hosted by the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park (FOGNAP). With over a mile of trails, re-chipping is important to maintain walkability throughout the park. Other student crews participating in Give Back Day were distributed throughout Gladstone, including a crew that cleared invasives at Meldrum Bar Park, led by Gladstone Parks and Recreation Board Chair Ben Misley.

In addition to Give Back Day, the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park also host monthly work parties in the Gladstone Nature Park on the last Saturday of each month, except November and December.

FOGNAP is constructing a Butterfly/Pollinator Hill in the Nature Park using funds from a Metro Nature in Neighborhoods Grant. We are grateful to the 30 volunteers who attended the September work party to clear the hill of invasives and build a trail over the top. Many thanks to our awesome volunteers, to Matt and Angie Bemis, and to the LDS members of Just Serve who come from all over the country. Gladstone school students and volunteers will soon be planting native plants that attract butterflies, birds and pollinators. Be sure to visit the Nature Park to watch our progress and visit the Butterfly/Pollinator Hill next spring to welcome our new pollinators and get ideas for your own yard.

For a list of volunteer opportunities or to donate to the Nature Park, visit the website at ProtectTheParks.org or email friendsofgladstonenature@gmail.com.

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



John Wetten Elementary School seeks volunteers to help with 1st & 2nd grade reading. JWE has partnered with SMART to help support our reading program. Each week students in the program get to take 🐱 home a free book, and read one on one with a volunteer. SMART meets every Tues. & Thurs. from 10-12. Volunteers are a big part of what makes this program successful. It's a lot of fun, and very rewarding.

If you would like to learn more, please contact: Theresa Schmidt, Volunteer Coordinator, schmidtt@gladstone.k12.or.us, 503-656-6564 ext. 265

A Message from Our Community Cat Rescue



The Community Car Rescue has received many inquiries regarding 2 cats who are lost or found. The best way to locate a lost cat is by going door-to-door, hanging/handing out posters, and speaking to people. 90% of the time, lost cats can be found either in your house (in, under or behind something), or somewhere on or near your property. Found

cats could be feral, lost, or abandoned. Check out our latest rescues on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/OurCommunityCatRescue/. Donate via Facebook or pay pal at https://www.paypal.me/OCCR. The Amazon wish list is: https:// www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/356VEKNHCH32I?ref_=wl_share. You can also choose us on Amazon Smile and we receive 5% of eligible purchases. The Cat rescue is a 50lc3 non-profit emergency rescue and are seeking volunteers for fostering. If interested please contact us on Facebook for more information Thank you. Our Community Cat Rescue

Sign-up to Receive Flash Alerts



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

Studded Tire Season

The studded tire season started November 1st and runs through March 31, 2020. 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.

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, clackamas.us/building or call 503-742-4510.

Local Telephone Numbers

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*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
*Police Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm 503-557-2797
*Fire Dept. M-F, 8am to 5pm 503-557-2776
*Library 503-656-2411
*Senior Center 503-655-7701
*Recreation/Business License
*Planning
*Electrical/Plumbing Permits
*Nuisance Concerns/Code Compliance 503-557-2763
*Gladstone School District
*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)
*Portland General Electric
*Northwest Natural Gas 503-226-4211
*Comcast Cable1-800-934-6489
*Non-Emergency Dispatch
(option 1 for police or fire calls)



Get Social

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

news. Facebook: The City of Gladstone, Twitter: @CityGladstone, Instagram: @city_of_gladstone and Nextdoor: CERT Gladstone.



Gladstone City Newsletter

If you have a community event you would like to see in the upcoming Gladstone City Newsletter, please send it to kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us. Articles are due on or before the 18th of each month to appear in the upcoming Newsletter.

Getting Your Pipes Ready for Winter

When water freezes, it expands about 9%. If the temperature of the water in your pipes drops below 32 degrees, even for a short period, you're more likely to have a pipe fracture. Here are some tips to help avoid the expense and inconvenience of frozen water pipes.

*When it is time to shut your irrigation 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.

*Open the cupboard doors beneath your sinks to allow warm air to circulate around the pipes and help keep them from freezing.

*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/.

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City Hall—525 Portland Ave Police Department—535 Portland Ave Fire Department—555 Portland Ave Public Works/City Shops—18595 Portland Ave Senior Center—1050 Portland Ave Senior Center—1050 Portland A Library—135 E. Dartmouth St.

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>—1st Tuesday—6:30 pm—City Hall Council

*<u>Traffic Safety</u>—4th Monday every other month (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 <u>www.ci.gladstone.or.us</u>



Energy Assistance

Clackamas County Social Services facilitates the Energy Assistance Program, which may be able to assist low-income households with a payment toward heating bills. There is assistance available for a variety of energy needs, including electric, natural gas, oil, propane, wood and pellets. Eligibility is based on the total

gross household income received by all adults age 18 and older living in the home at the time of application. For information, visit https://www.clackamas.us/socialservices/energy.html or call the Social Services office 503-650-5640.

Local Meetings-

♦Gladstone Business Owners & Managers will be meeting at the Gladstone Fire Station, 555 Portland Ave., on December 11, 2019. Please contact Doug Loose at dougwithTLC@msn.com or 503-595-53796 for additional information.

Friends of Gladstone Nature Park meet the last Saturday of

the month from 9:00am-12:00pm Gladstone, at 18111 Webster Rd, Gladstone. gladstone-historialsociety.org For more info visit protect for more info. Guests always theparks.org or friendsofglastonenature@gmail.c community and new ideas are om

♦The Gladstone Historical Society meets the 2nd Thursday Kiwanis meets every Tuesday at of each month at 6:30pm at Gladstone City Hall Conference Room (enter at E Dartmouth

97027. Visit email welcome! Old photos of the needed.

♦The Gladstone-Oak Grove 7:00am at the Bomber 13515 SE Restaurant, McLoughlin Blvd. Milwaukie, door), 525 Portland Ave. OR 97222. Visitors are welcome!

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