



Gladstone Senior Center

Monthly Report

February 2020

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To: City Administrator, Jacque Betz

From: Senior Center Manager, Colin Black

I am happy to report that we had another great month at the Senior Center in February. Gladstone Community School classes continue to operate smoothly, our attendance is maintaining its' current numbers, and we have seen a small increase in our participation numbers at the after-lunch activities. Additionally, the Pinochle group continues to grow each week even after we added a second day when they play here.

AARP Tax preparation continue to be a success. Each Friday the tax preparers start at 9 am and work until the last client is done, typically around 4 pm. This makes for a busy day for the preparers and we are really grateful for the services they provide. As a reminder, the tax assistance program available through the AARP Foundation Tax Assistance Program has specific guidelines for eligibility and I would like to reassure the City Council that we adhere to those guidelines. This programs season runs until April 10, 2020, the last Friday before the tax filing deadline of April 15.

We would like to update the Council on some items we have previously reported on. The Gladstone Seniors Foundation is a step closer to the purchase of a minivan for the Senior Center. We are waiting for a formal vote from the Board in order to move forward with the purchase. Additionally, I have finalized the commitments from the Gladstone Kiwanis Club and the Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary Club for the purchase of a new oven for the kitchen. Once the funds have been paid to the vendor, the Senior Center will pay its portion (1/4 of the cost) and it will just be a simple manner of the delivery timeframe to work with. We will continue to update the Council as these efforts move forward.

This month, the staff at the Senior Center:

- Provided over 205 rides, 900 meals, and saw over 1,000 people through our doors.
- On 2/5, SCM Black participated in the Gladstone Tourism Brand and Strategy Stakeholder Meeting.
- On 2/12, SCM Black attended a Clackamas County, State of Oregon APD (Adults and People with Disabilities) Coordination meeting to improve on communications between senior centers and APD. There has been a large amount of turnover at the APD offices in Clackamas County.

- On 2/19, SCM Black attended a Reasonable Suspicion Training at City Hall.
- On 2/21, SCM Black met with PWD Whynot, Marna Barnes, and Hayley Kratz to discuss the QRF for City-wide Janitorial Services.

As always, the Senior Center staff is ready to take on whatever is asked of us! Thank you for your hard work!

Respectfully,

Colin Black

Senior Center Manager