



GLADSTONE CITY NEWSLETTER

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City of Gladstone Strategic Plan

2019 - 2021



The Gladstone City Council has created a Strategic Plan to better serve citizens for the next two years (2019–2021). The priority projects will be undertaken within available and forecasted financial resources. The City's vision and core values, two-year goals and priority projects are highlighted below.

City Council's Goals for the Next Two Years

- Communicate with the public
- Invest in infrastructure
- Address affordable housing
- Provide resources for parks
- Identify a brand message for Gladstone
- Explore annexation options

Gladstone City Council



Done!

Gladstone's recent accomplishments:

- ✓ Water-sewer-stormwater-transportation and parks master plans completed
- ✓ System Development Charges (SDCs) in place to ensure new development pays its fair share
- ✓ New library being planned on current City Hall site, in partnership with Clackamas County
- ✓ 24/7 Fire Department to improve our response times and expanded technical training to include rope, dive and swift water rescue
- ✓ Successful K-9 program implemented
- ✓ Completed the Downtown Revitalization Plan

Gladstone Vision and Core Values

Our City will be...

- Safe
- Healthy
- Engaged
- Livable
- Vibrant
- Thriving
- Highly qualified
- Accountable
- Financially stable
- Continually improving

Gladstone Civic Center Groundbreaking Celebration

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Help Celebrate Construction of Our New
Police Station & City Hall
18505 Portland Avenue, Gladstone



You're Invited!

- Check Out Our Plans
- Meet the Project Team
- Refreshments

Upcoming City Council Meeting

On April 9, 2019 at 5:30pm, there will be a Gladstone Civic Center Groundbreaking Ceremony at 18505 Portland Ave Gladstone OR 97027. Regular session will then begin at 6:30 pm at Gladstone City Hall, 525 Portland Ave Gladstone OR 97027. Agenda will include: Metro Food Scrap Policy, Second reading of Ordinance 1496 Amending GMC Chapter 9.60-Camping Prohibited in certain places, Update on Public Contracting Rules. Packets can be viewed online at: <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings>.

Planning Commission Meeting

The next Planning Commission Meeting will be April 16, 2019. For more information regarding the meeting, please visit <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/meetings>

Employment Opportunities

The City is accepting applications for Temporary Seasonal Employee - Public Works. For details, visit the employment page at www.ci.gladstone.or.us/jobs

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

It's no secret that distracted driving is a major danger on our nation's roads. Today, it is almost impossible to go through the day without seeing a distracted driver behind the wheel of a vehicle. To help crack down on this dangerous—and often, illegal—habit, Gladstone Police Department is partnering with the U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to step up enforcement and catch distracted drivers. In the month of April 2019 you will see increased law enforcement efforts, as officers will be stopping and ticketing anyone who is caught texting and driving.

Distracted driving is one of the fastest growing safety issues on the roads today. Distracted drivers aren't just a threat to themselves: they're a danger to everyone else on the road. The national distracted driving effort focuses on ways to change the behavior of drivers through legislation, enforcement, public awareness, and education.

Texting is the most alarming distraction. Sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 5 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of an entire football field with your eyes closed. You cannot drive safely unless the task of driving has your full attention. Any non-driving activity you engage in is a potential distraction and increases your risk of crashing.



Gladstone Police Department (GPD) Chief's Corner

Kim Yamashita



Happy Spring (almost) everyone! Here's hoping we are out of the snow and ice pattern.

The recent weather made me think about ways to be more prepared and I'd like you to be more prepared too!

I have just recently finished constructing a new page on our city's website at : <https://www.ci.gladstone.or.us/police/page/emergency-management> . It is the Emergency Management Page and I'd like to invite you to take a look. You'll find a 10-week program that will help you and your family get and stay prepared for the challenges we face here in the Pacific Northwest.

I'd also like you to take some time and consider visiting the Ready.Gov website sponsored by FEMA at: <https://www.ready.gov/>. There you will find tons of information about staying safe at home, work, school, and in the car.

This website will provide you information on all types of natural and some man-made emergencies. You can also learn about Youth, Preparedness Council, Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, Citizens Corps and many more programs. You can also access, download and reporting many brochures and other publications.

Pancake Breakfast to Raise Scholarship Funds



The Gladstone community is invited to Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary's annual pancake breakfast, a fundraiser for college scholarships for 2019 graduates of Gladstone High, Rex Putnam High, and New Urban High. The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th from 8:30—11:30 a.m. in the Gladstone High School cafeteria. Stop by before or after the Easter Egg Hunt at Dick Baker Stadium which starts at 11 a.m. sharp. New this year, breakfast includes the famous Flying Pancakes provided by Chris Cakes Northwest, along with eggs, Canadian bacon, coffee, and juice. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$6 for kids and seniors. The raffle prizes are awesome this year! If you or your business would like to sponsor this event or donate a raffle prize, please email Leslie Robinette at leslie.robinette@comcast.net before April 1st. All sponsors and donors will be recognized on social media, in local newspapers, and during the event.


A Message from Gladstone Fire Department Fire Marshal Mike Funk


Do any of you ever long for those good old days? In 1970 a gallon of gas cost only \$.36 each and a gallon of milk, \$1.15. You could find a loaf of bread for \$.70 and a brand new pair of Wrangler or Levi's jeans for just \$10.00. What about the family car? A brand new 1970 Buick Le Sabre would run you approximately \$3,337. A new house back then would cost you about the same as a new car today at \$47,200. Finally a first class stamp only cost \$.6, quite a big difference compared to prices today. It makes me miss the 70's!

How about when Mom or Dad said "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure?" Well, I can't find a picture of a pound of cure, but I would like to offer a few comments on the subject of prevention.

It has been the mission of the modern fire service to not only put out fires, but to work toward the prevention of fires as well. Back in 1896, a group was formed called the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). Today, this group is an international self-funded non-profit organization whose mission is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus code and standards, research, training, and education. The NFPA along with the Oregon Fire Code is being used aggressively by today's modern fire service to help keep us safe.

Your Firefighters, armed with these codes, do our best to make changes and advocate for safety in your home and work place. However, we cannot win this fight for safety without your help. We are doing our part; this is what you can do:

 Extension cords: When it comes to extension cords, they can be trickier than you may think. Some precautions you should take when using extension cords is to first avoid using them if not necessary and be sure to unplug them when not in use. If you must use an extension cord, be sure it is the correct size for the equipment you are using. Extension cords should be plugged directly into the wall outlet. And always avoid plugging cord into cord to get the desired length. Cords are rated by size and amperage, as well as sized for the length of distance they are to be run. Any violation of these basics can create a fire hazard.

 Smoke alarms: We all remembered to change our clocks and spring forward an hour but did you remember to check your smoke alarm batteries? If you enlist help from a child or grandchild to test your smoke alarm, it can be a great learning and/or bonding experience for the child. Smoke alarms are great, but only when the child has been taught what to do and where to go when the fire alarm sounds at your house.

Remember, a few simple fire prevention steps taken now, may save your life or the life of a loved one. Using the right cord may prevent an accident from occurring. Checking the batteries can make the difference between a working alarm and a useless one. I guess my parents were right after all. Michael Funk, Asst. Chief/Fire Marshal, office 503-557-2775

Why is there a "5% Fee" for "Internet Access" on my bill?

Did you see a "5% fee" for "Internet Access" on your internet bill as a line item? You're not alone. Customers of a national internet service provider have been asking for more information about the language on their billing statement that attributes a five percent "City Fee" to the City of Gladstone. Here are the facts: ☑ The City of Gladstone **does not** charge an "Internet access fee" to customers. ☑ Only the national internet service provider can answer why it added the "Internet access fee" on customer bills.

Why is this being labeled a "City Fee" on my bill? In 2017 the City imposed a right-of-way usage fee on all communications providers that use the community's rights-of-way. If the national internet provider chooses to pass its right-of-way costs along to the customer and list a "5% fee" on the customer bills, that decision is the company's choice to make. The City **does not** charge an "Internet Access Fee" to the customers nor does it require that this cost of doing business be charged to the customer. Companies can charge customers a line item for other costs of doing business, such as: postage, paper towels, business license fee, corporate taxes, etc. Decisions on charging customers for these and other costs of doing business are up to the company.

What's the rest of the story? While this fee was implemented by the City in 2017, in 2019 the City provided clarification to the communication service provider that internet service providers are required to pay for the use of the community's rights-of-way.

Who can I call with more questions? If you have any additional questions about your bill or internet services, please feel free to reach out to your internet service provider for more information. If you have additional questions about the City of Gladstone right-of-way fees, feel free to call Reba Crocker at 503-786-7516. We look forward to speaking with you.

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/>.

CPR Saves a Life!

Mari Jenkins lives in Gladstone with her daughter and son-in-law, Piper and Sean Flett. Mari's friend was in town visiting from Washington to celebrate Mari's birthday and the Christmas holiday with the Flett family.

Just before 3:30 in the morning on Christmas Day, Mari awoke to the sound of Greg taking strange, gasping breaths, which was clearly not normal. Mari tried to wake Greg, but Greg would not respond. Knowing something was very wrong, Mari screamed for help from the basement room where they were staying.

Sean and Piper Flett, sleeping upstairs, were startled awake by the screams for help from Mari. They instantly knew something was wrong, and rushed downstairs to assist her. Finding Greg unresponsive in his bed, Piper grabbed her phone and immediately called 911, while Sean checked Greg's breathing and searched for a pulse.

At 03:30, a C-Com 911 dispatcher answered the emergency call placed by Piper Flett. He quickly determined the nature of the emergency and confirmed the location. Just over one minute into the emergency call, 911 dispatch had enough vital information to dispatch the appropriate emergency response units to the Flett's location.

56 seconds after receiving the 911 call, the on-duty crew assigned to the Gladstone Fire station responded in Engine 391. At about the same time, the AMR ambulance crew of Medic 275 responded from their location in Oregon City.

Back at the Flett residence, Piper placed the emergency dispatcher on speaker phone so Sean could communicate with the 911 dispatcher while attending to Greg. Thankfully, Sean had received previous CPR training and knew exactly what to do once the dispatcher told him to begin CPR. While Sean performed CPR, Piper went outside to flag down arriving first responders.

Three minutes after responding, E391 arrived on scene. Gladstone Police officers Day and Olson also arrived seconds behind E391. Piper led the arriving first responders downstairs to Greg's location. E391's crew immediately took over performing CPR from Sean, while also providing ventilations and applying the defibrillator. Gladstone Police officers immediately began moving the sofa and other furniture to give Fire and EMS personnel the additional space needed to care for the patient.

AMR Medic 275 arrived on scene approximately 2 minutes after Gladstone Fire initiated care, and began providing advanced level

treatment. Ultimately, Greg regained a pulse and was transported to a local hospital that specializes in cardiac care. After undergoing some cardiac specific procedures and recovering in the intensive care unit, Greg was discharged and returned to his home in Washington four days later.

At the February City Council meeting, Gladstone Fire was proud to award Sean Flett with the Citizen Life Saving Award. The emergency service professionals from Gladstone Fire Department, American Medical Response, Gladstone Police Department, and Clackamas County 9-1-1 were also recognized for their teamwork and cooperation in performing care that was greater than they could've provided on their own. They performed their duty that Christmas morning quickly, competently, professionally, and with compassion.

We are here to respond to your emergencies 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Our service level is quicker and more consistent than ever, now that our fire station is staffed around the clock. That being said, learn CPR or first aid! The skills you learn may make the difference for a friend or loved one, especially in those precious minutes between calling 911 and emergency crews arriving at your house.

Sean Flett had never performed CPR in an actual emergency prior to that morning. His knowledge of, and ability to perform CPR, while fire and EMS were responding kept Greg's blood circulating and vital organs perfused during those critical few minutes. His actions, in addition to the quick response and excellent care provided by emergency crews, gave Greg the best possible chance for survival. Today, Greg is alive, active and present in the lives of his friends and family.

Few people want to think about being involved when tragedy strikes, but it's best to be prepared if the need arises. For more information on CPR or First-aid training, contact Gladstone Fire Capt. Tighe Vroman at 503-557-2774.



L to R: A/O-FF/EMT Zach Buchanan, ENG/EMT Tim Atkeson, Sean Flett, Piper Flett, Capt./EMT Pat Brost, Paramedic Alex Hall, EMT Maryssa Donaghy, Officer Dustin Olson and Officer Danny Day


Door to Door Solicitation

Door to Door solicitation is legal for those with a valid business license, if applicable. A business license is required if the solicitor is selling an item or service, such as roof repair, pest control, books, etc. Solicitation is allowed only between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. Solicitation is prohibited entirely if the property owner has posted a "No Solicitation" sign on the premises, per Gladstone Municipal Code Chapter 5.28. "No Solicitation" signs may be downloaded from the city's website, www.ci.gladstone.or.us/community/page/community-applications-forms or picked up at City Hall for 25¢. Call City Hall at 503-557-2766 (8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday) to verify if a solicitor has a business license or call the Police Department at 503-655-8211 to report any suspicious or illegal activity.


Gladstone Junior Baseball Can & Bottle Drive

Gladstone Jr. Baseball needs your help by participating in their annual Can & Bottle Drive. Please consider donating any cans & bottles by placing them outside your home on Saturday, April 13th (before 10am). Your assistance helps the Association keep registration fees to a minimum and helps fund scholarships for deserving participants. For info, call Fundraising Coordinator, Brandon Akers (503)804-6572. Thank you for your support.

Address Numbers on Your Home

 The Gladstone Fire Dept. requests that residents check address numbers placed on the front of their homes. Address numbers need to be 4 inches or larger and have a light shining on them at night. They need to also stand out in a contrasting color to the home. Their quick actions when responding to emergencies is dependent upon them finding your home. Please do your part and place large, well-lit numbers on your home!

Sidewalks and Clear Vision

 A couple of residents recently expressed concern about sidewalks and clear vision. The Gladstone Municipal Code states that property owners are responsible for maintaining sidewalks abutting their property and are liable to any person suffering injury due to a defective sidewalk. The City's general standard for sidewalk maintenance states "not to exceed a 1/2 inch vertical lift." This is similar to property owners being responsible for maintaining landscaping for clear vision of motorists at street intersections. Both the property owner and the City can be held liable for accidents when they are notified but fail to remove clear vision obstructions. Please check the condition of sidewalks along your property and check for adequate clear vision if your property is located at a street intersection.

Drop Off Unwanted Prescriptions at Gladstone PD



Flushing drugs down the toilet or putting them into the garbage has 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! Please note that all syringes and inhalers must be taken to Metro Recycling. Please call 503-557-2760 for any questions.



Glad Tidings April 2019

A monthly publication of the Senior Center

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

Important Dates

April 1st—Gold Star Potluck, bring your favorite dish to share. 12pm.

April 2nd— Law Clinic by appointment only.

April 9th - Foot Clinic by appointment only.

April 15th—Tax Day & Senior Center Book Club at 10:30 am.

April 20th— Annual Max Paterson Pancake Breakfast. Gladstone High School.

May 1st— Gold Star Potluck, bring your favorite dish to share. 12pm.

May 4th— Annual Shredding, Drug Take Back, and E-Recycling.



VOLUNTEERS are fantastic!! We would love to have you come volunteer here at the Senior Center. We have an immediate need for Homebound Meals drivers as well as coming to help serve lunches in the lunch room. If either of these are something you would be interested in please call for more information. (503) 655-7701.

Book Club ~ The Colony by John Tayman

The tragic tale of the thousands of men, women, and children determined to have leprosy and sent to forced exile on Hawaii's remote Molokai peninsula from 1866-1969.



According to a study conducted by the University of California, San Francisco, more than 40 percent of American's over 65 regularly experience loneliness. Another outcome from the report found that this feeling of separation and disconnection from others may predict serious health problems and even death. You need not face this alone, there is help and we care.

Gladstone Senior Center Advisory Board —Your Senior Center Advisory Board members serve in an advisory capacity to the City of Gladstone, City Council, and Senior Center staff on matters affecting program and policy. They provide for educational, recreational, nutritional, social and cultural needs, and promote mutual friendliness between individuals and groups who participate. Ascertain the needs of older persons, to coordinate and mobilize public and private resources at all levels, and to gain, build, develop and maintain such programs. The Board meets every odd numbered month on the third Tuesday at 3pm at the Senior Center. Everyone is welcome to this meeting and encouraged to attend. We hope to see you at our next meeting on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 3pm.

Elder Abuse

Approximately 1 in 10 seniors is abused each year. Everyday many older adults are victims of some kind of abuse. Abuse can happen in many places, including the older person's home, a family member's house, an assisted living facility, or a nursing home. If you or someone you know feel you are being abused, please call the State of Oregon Adult Protective Services, Clackamas County, confidential reporting line at [971-673-6655](tel:971-673-6655).

What do you do there? —We get this question quite often. We do more than provide meals to home bound and congregate clients, we also transport for personal appointments, and social service referrals. We even help seniors with computer and smart phone issues, navigate through complex assistance programs, and most of the time just simply listen to our seniors. We are a essential part of this community. We are grateful for the continued support of our City Council and look forward to more in the coming years.



Get connected to local information that can help older adults, veterans, persons with disabilities, caregivers, and family members to live independently, access benefits, get support for memory loss and dementia, and find community resources and services. ADRC is a State of Oregon program that is county specific. For Clackamas County, the offices are open Monday through Thursday 8 am to 5 pm. For more information on ADRC, Email: clackamsadrc@clackamas.us, call 503-650-5622, or visit them online at www.adrcforegon.org

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Book Club Monthly 10:30 am 4/15/19 Gold Star Potluck Monthly 12:00 pm <i>Bring your favorite dish to share with all your friends or meet new friends.</i> 4/1 & 5/6	Chair Exercise 10:30 am to 11:30 am Social Hour 11:30 am to 1:00 pm Bingo 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Social Hour 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Bunco & Card Games 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Lunch Trip to the Pioneer Center in Oregon City* 11:30 am Safeway Shopping* 12:00 pm	Chair Exercise 10:30 am to 11:30 am Social Hour 9:00 am to 10:30 am Rotary Meeting 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Pinochle 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Bridge 11:00 am to 1:00 pm <i>* please call to sign up</i>

We are happy to announce we are on track to reopen the facility sometime in April, so be sure to stay tuned! We will announce the date once confirmed. Thank you for your patience and understanding!



April Senior Center Excursions

If you would like to sign up for a trip, you may do so by calling or stopping in on the first business day of April, Monday April 1, starting at 8:30 am. You can reserve up to 3 trips per person and be placed on the waiting list for others. Payment is due one week prior to each trip unless otherwise noted. For the complete Senior Center Trip Policy, please visit: www.ci.gladstone.or.us/sc/page/senior-center-transportation.

APRIL 5- HIKE TO CHAMPOEG PARK—We will hike this beautiful historic park. We'll include a stop at the visitor center on the way back. Bring a lunch, we'll bring the coffee. Lv 9am Ret: 2pm Fare: \$7

APRIL 19-CULINARY INSTITUTE AND PITTOCK MANSION—Bring cash if you would like an alcoholic beverage. Lv: 10:30am Ret: 3pm Fare: \$35 (includes admission and lunch)

APRIL 25(THURSDAY)LAKEWOOD THEATRE SINGING IN THE

RAIN—Silent film stars Don Lockwood and Lina Lamont are forced to adapt to talking pictures. Unfortunately, Lina's screechy voice threatens her career - until Don and friend Cosmo Brown convince aspiring actress Kathy Selden to dub Lina's voice with her own. Lv: 6:15pm Ret: 10:30pm Fare: \$5

MAY 3-HIKE TO WAHCLELLA FALLS —This is a beautiful hike to see the lovely waterfall. Lunch at Bonneville Dam visitor center. Bring a sack lunch, we'll bring the coffee. Lv. 9am Ret: 3pm Fare: \$7

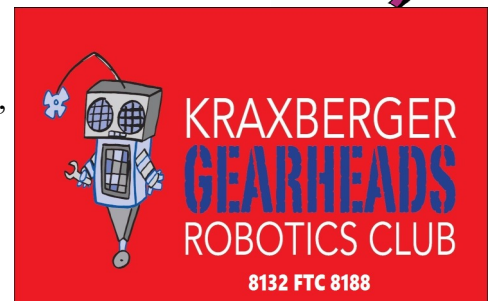
Annual Drug Take Back, Shredding, and E-Recycle Event



The annual event will be on Saturday, May 4, 2019. Document Shredding will be accepted from 10 am to 2 pm or whenever the shred truck is full. There is a 4 box, legal size, limit per vehicle. E-Recycling will



be performed all day by the Kraxberger Gearheads Robotics Club and all proceeds go to the club. So please bring down those old computers, printers, and just about anything else that has a plug. Drug take back will happen at the Gladstone Police Station. We hope to see you there!



Happy April Birthdays !!!!

Diane B	4/2	Jess K	4/22
Cleo B	4/3	Delores B	4/24
Polly A	4/6	Lois R	4/27
Sherry L	4/11	Debbie G	4/28

Happy
Birthday



DRUG TAKE BACK DAY SHRED-IT DAY E-RECYCLING DAY



When: Saturday May 4, 2019 from 10am – 2pm

Where: Gladstone Police Department - 535 Portland Ave

Drug Take Back Day is an opportunity to prevent drug addiction and overdose deaths by providing a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs. We will also have shredding services provided on site to help with the secure destruction of personal information and we are partnering with the Kraxberger Middle School Robotics Club to provide e-recycling, all in a convenient location. Things we accept: All Pills (prescription/vitamins/over-the-counter), Patches, and Ointments. We cannot accept liquids, needles, inhalers, or aerosols.

Volunteer at John Wetten Elementary School

Are you looking to start volunteering? Consider being a lunch buddy for a student at John Wetten Elementary School. It's a minimal commitment with a big impact!

The Lunch Buddy program at John Wetten Elementary School and GCCF matches adult volunteers with elementary students to provide friendship, support, and positive role modeling by having lunch and spending special time together at recess.

Nationally, studies of students who meet regularly with a mentor show that:

- 64% develop more positive attitudes toward school
- 59% achieve higher grades
- 46% are less likely to start using illegal drugs
- 27% are less likely to start drinking
- 33% are less likely to engage in violence

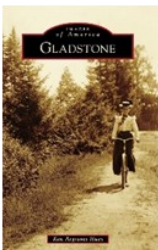
There are many students waiting for a lunch buddy mentor but not enough volunteers to meet the need. You can choose to meet once weekly or twice monthly. If you are interested, please contact Theresa Schmidt, Volunteer Coordinator at John Wetten Elementary School, at 503

-656-6564 or schmidt@gladstone.k12.or.us



Book Launch Party

"Images Of America - Gladstone"



Join the Gladstone Historical Society for the release of the newest historical book "Images Of America - Gladstone". Author Kim Argraves Huey will read passages and answer questions. Copies of the book will be available for sale. Please join us for this family friendly event on Sunday April 14th from 2:00-4:00 pm at Happyrock Coffee Roasting Co. 465 Portland Ave, Gladstone OR 97027.

Recreation program offers spring classes for all ages

Gladstone's community schools program offers classes and recreation programs for children, teens, and adults throughout the region.

Adult courses range from cooking, organic gardening, and water exercise; to bird watching, watercolor painting, Spanish, and country line dance. Spring youth classes include softball, baseball, ballet, tap dance, and tumbling.

To register, call 503.650.2570 or visit www.bit.ly/2MMivsb.

Street Light Out

Contact Portland General Electric (PGE) at 1-800-544-1795 (press "3") or email information which should include: address of streetlight outage, nearest cross street, pole, and map number (on pole), if available, to lightout@pgn.com.

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

Most folks familiar with Gladstone know that a trolley line once ran the length of Portland Avenue. But did you know that a trolley line also ran the length of east Dartmouth Street? It's true! In 1893, Portland, Oregon made history by building and operating the first interurban trolley service in the United States, which connected Portland with Oregon City and all towns in between, including Gladstone. Three months later, Gladstone also made history by building a spur line from Gladstone Park to Portland Avenue, where it connected with the interurban's main tracks. Originally intended only for transporting Chautauqua attendees between the Dartmouth Depot and Gladstone Park, the "park trolley" was pressed into service when the increasing popularity of Chautauqua and other Gladstone Park events brought massive crowds to Gladstone and overwhelmed the Portland-Oregon City trolley, that was already pulling up to two extra cars per trip. For over 30 years, the seasonal park trolley made regular hourly runs between Gladstone Park and downtown Oregon City, servicing the overflow of Gladstone-Oregon City passengers at a cost of 2 ½ cents for a ten-minute ride.

For more fun and interesting moments in Gladstone History—with photos, reserve your copy of the Gladstone Historical Society's latest book, "Images of America - Gladstone", published by Arcadia Publishing coming April 8, 2019. For information, visit our website: www.gladstonehistoricalsociety.org.

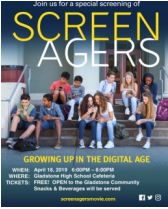
GHS Class of 1969 50th Class Reunion

Gladstone's first graduating class will hold their 50th reunion on Aug. 9th and 10th. We are searching for some classmates that we haven't heard from in a while. If you are a parent, sibling or friend of anyone in the Class of 1969 please contact us, even if you think we should have the information. More details will be announced in the coming months. Please pass this information along.

Neighbor Law

The City receives requests from residents about settling issues between neighbors that the City does not regulate. These issues include requests to: place trash and recycling cans out of public view to help maintain neighborhood livability, to not feed stray cats that may attract unwanted pets to a neighbor's yard or place of business, to trim overhanging tree limbs; locate property lines, move fences, etc. Many of these legal issues were settled years ago and resolution of current issues between neighbors are now typically settled by mediation instead of being litigated in court. For additional information on neighbor law you may check out "Neighbor Law: Fences, Tress, Boundaries and Noise", by Cora Johnson at the Gladstone Library.

Screen Agers



Kraxberger Parent Faculty Organization (PFO) is presenting a free documentary to the entire community, that all parents will find eye-opening! Do you want to know how social media, online gaming, and screen time is affecting your kids? You'll be surprised at what research is showing. This movie will be presented to the Gladstone community on April 18th at 6:00 pm at the GHS cafeteria. Your PFO will provide snacks and beverages. See you there!

St. Stephen Preschool News

Open registration for 2019-2020 preschool classes has begun! St. Stephen Lutheran Preschool is located at 290 W. Gloucester Street. We are again offering two classes: M/W/F mornings for children who will be 4 years old before Sept. 1 and T/Th mornings for children who will be 3 years old before Sept. 1. Both classes meet from 9 am until noon, September through May.

St. Stephen Preschool has been serving the children of Clackamas County for over 50 years and provides an educational foundation for young children in an environment that nurtures all aspects of a child's growth and development: spiritual, social, intellectual, emotional and physical.

Please call 503-656-3035 or email preschool@ssclgladstone.org for more information, to request a brochure or to arrange a visit. Classes fill quickly so don't hesitate.

Gladstone Community Festival gears up for August

Summer's just around the corner, so be sure to mark August 2nd-4th on your calendar for the Gladstone Community Festival organized by the Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary Club. Highlights include: Movie in the Park, the Gladstone Parade, the Beer Garden, Live music and dance performances, the Flying Pancake Breakfast, a Pickleball tournament, and the Car Show! Want to get involved? Call these folks: ● Vendor booth rentals: Brad Vollmer drbradvollmer@gmail.com; ● Parade entries: Theresa Schmidt/Tracy Todd GladstoneParade@gmail.com; ● Event Sponsors: Jal Duncan jal@jalduncan.com ● Car Show: Tom Mersereau miis@aracnet.com ● Questions: Bob Everett reverett78@yahoo.com. Find out more: www.gladstonecommunityfestival.org/ If you would like to be a vendor, participate in events or just have general question, contact these individuals.

Celebrate Arbor Day in the Gladstone Nature Park



Celebrate National Arbor Day on Saturday, April 27th in the Gladstone Nature Park from 10am – 2pm. This annual event is free and family-friendly. Mayor Tammy Stempel will kick off the event by planting a new White Oak tree in the meadow.

Our popular native plant sale returns and is sponsored by Boskey Dell Natives. The sale includes plants that are specifically grown for success in Willamette Valley landscapes. Many of these plants attract birds and pollinators. From four-inch pots to two-gallon containers, there's something beautiful for everyone. All proceeds benefit the Nature Park.

The Gladstone Arbor Day Celebration includes nature activities, live music, great food, kids arts and crafts, fine art, a nature walk, and lots of healthy fun. Here you can visit some live alpaca's, and walk the trails and learn about the Nature Park's unique habitat from forest experts, including Glen Ahrens from the Clackamas County Extension Service. Additionally, the Kraxberger Gearheads are accepting donations of any electronics you would like to recycle. Gladstone Police Department would also like you to know they are accepting and safely disposing of your expired prescriptions.

As a special treat this year, arborist Brian French with the Oregon Champion Tree Registry will demonstrate his skill by climbing the largest oak tree in the meadow. French and his team have been featured on OPB for their work in assessing these giants for size, age, and health. Learn more about this important work at championtreeregistry.com

The Gladstone Nature Park is located at 18111 Webster Road in Gladstone (behind Kearns Market). Parking is available at the Mormon Church on Cason Road across from the park. Gladstone Arbor Day is sponsored by the Friends of Gladstone Nature Park and the Sherri Hildreth Ovarian Cancer Foundation. To volunteer at this event, or to learn more, contact: friendsofgladstonenature@gmail.com, or go to ProtectTheParks.org.

Easter Eggstravaganza



Community Egg Hunt on April 21st at 11:30am at the Gladstone Christian Church Community Center, 305 E Dartmouth St Gladstone 97027. Treats - Candy - Prizes for ages 0-12 years

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 is now meeting quarterly. The next meeting will be June 19, 2019 at 6:30 pm at Gladstone Senior Center (1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone)

Skopos Christian School is currently enrolling

We are a non-denominational school for preschool thru 8th grade. We meet at Tri-City Baptist Temple on Webster Rd.

Call us at 503-908-4740 or check us out at www.skoposcs.org

SOLV Clean up at High Rocks Park

SOLV Clean up at High Rocks Park on Saturday, April 20, 2019 from 10am to 12pm. Volunteer to pick up litter from both Gladstone and Oregon City sides of the High Rocks area. Meeting location is the pedestrian bridge next to Gladstone DMV. Contact Bill Osburn at whosburnjr@yahoo.com for additional information.

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
- *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 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
- *Non-Emergency Dispatch (option 1 for police or fire calls) 503-655-8211



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 18th of each month to appear in the upcoming Newsletter.

**Gladstone Public Library
Foundation (GPLF) Updates**

Spring has finally come to Gladstone. If you're planning to do a little 'spring cleaning', put some of those articles you no longer need aside for our Benefit Sale on July 12th and 13th. Times will be announced soon. We'll take almost anything but will not accept big furniture such as sofas, chairs, or TVs. You can start bringing items to 190 West Dartmouth. If you are bringing clothing, please make sure they are clean.

We are getting excited about our May Plant and Veggie sale which will be held Friday, May 10th, from noon-7pm and Saturday, May 11th, from 10am-5pm, in the Happy Rock Coffee Co. courtyard across from the library. There will also be a raffle for two hanging flower baskets.

A Fred Meyer Rewards Card is a great way of supporting the Foundation. Proceeds from this and other events help to purchase things for inside the library such as tables, chairs, lamps, etc. If you have a rewards card, or thinking of getting one, you can link it to us. Plus, you don't lose any rewards points or gas points.

Don't forget to bring in those books, CDs and DVDs, etc., to the library for our August book sale. This event provides support for the library's many programs.

If you'd like to make a donation to the Foundation, you can send it to: GPLF, PO Box 146, Gladstone, OR 97027-0146, or go to our website address below and press the donate button.

Interested in learning more about our foundation? You can like us on Facebook, follow us on Instagram, or go to www.gpl-foundation.org

Coffee With A Councilor



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Master Gardeners: Fairy Gardens *Wednesday, April 3rd at 6 PM* We have a number of experts with Master Gardeners coming to teach on a variety of gardening topics! At this event, instructor Cindy Manselle will teach a hands on class where participants will get to build a Fairy Garden together. All materials will be supplied and imaginations can run wild as you assemble it! **Master Gardeners: Native Plants** *Wednesday, April 10th at 6 PM* We have a number of experts with Master Gardeners coming to teach on a variety of gardening topics! This class, with instructor Jim Kronenberg, will cover working with native plant species in the garden. **Doctor Who Club** *Thursday, April 11th at 6 PM* Are you a fan of Doctor Who? Meet fellow fans, watch an episode, and share any show related news. All ages are welcome. **Rock Readers Book Club** *Tuesday, April 16th at 6:30 PM* A mystery book club for adults! April's book is *Murder on the Serpentine* by Anne Perry. Copies can be picked up at the Information Desk any time before the next meeting. Newcomers welcome! **Master Gardeners: Xeriscaping** *Wednesday, April 17th at 6 pm* We have a number of experts with Master Gardeners coming to teach on a variety of gardening topics! This class, with instructor Kris LaMar, will go over the basics of xeriscaping. **Fused Glass Art Class** *Thursday, April 18th, 6 PM* Fused glass artist Becca Wells will instruct attendees on how to make their own fused glass art. See examples of her artwork at www.wellsglassstudio.com. Space is extremely limited, and advance registration is required! Please contact the Library to register for this class. **Dungeons & Dragons** *Saturday April 20th, 3 PM* Join us for a D&D adventure for all ages! We will be playing 5th edition. New players are always welcome. **Children's Programs**
Toddler Storytime *Tuesdays at 9:30 AM* 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* This storytime is geared towards babies from 0-

18 months and their caregivers with books, songs, lap bounces, cuddles, and play to help with early development. **All Ages Storytime** *Thursdays at 9:30 AM* All ages are welcome to join us for books, songs, rhymes and movement activities that build literacy and language skills.

***NEW!* Saturday Storytime** *Saturdays at 9:30 AM* If making it to the library during the workweek is tough for your family's schedule, try our all-ages Saturday Storytime! There will be books, songs, rhymes and movement activities that build literacy and language skills.

Teen Programs

Teen Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting *Thursday, April 4th at 4 PM* Teens in the 6th through 12th grades are invited to join the Teen Advisory Group. This group helps plan teen events and make the library a more inviting place for other teens. Pick up an application at the Information Desk, or come to one of our meetings!

Library Volunteer Spotlight William Crombie from Gladstone, Oregon 1. Why do you enjoy volunteering for Gladstone Library? I love reading and get to discover new books every day that I'm in the library. 2. How long have you been volunteering for the library? Almost 6 months. 3. Where is the best place you've traveled and why? Yellowstone National Park. It has the most breathtaking scenery that I've ever seen. 4. What is the weirdest job you have ever had? Tutoring freshmen students at my high school. 5. Do you have any pets? No. 6. What are 3 words that best describe you? Honest, Determined, and Adventurous. 7. Where would you like to go on a dream vacation? New Zealand. 8. What is your favorite food? A simple, high quality burger. 9. What is your favorite activity to do in your free time? Hiking. 10. What is something most people don't know about you? I'm an avid skier and try to ski at least once a week.

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CITY MEETINGS:

- ***City Council**—2nd Tuesday & 4th Tuesday (if necessary) - 6:30 pm—in the City Hall Council Chambers
- ***Planning Commission**—3rd Tuesday (as needed) - 6:30 pm In City Hall Council Chambers
- ***Library Board**—1st Tuesday—6:30 pm—City Hall Council Chamber
- ***Traffic Safety**—4th Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm—City Hall Council Chambers
- ***Park & Recreation**—2nd Monday (as needed) - 6:30 pm In City Hall Council Chambers
- ***Senior Center Advisory**—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

Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 20th beginning precisely at 11:00 am, as the fire engine sounds, at Gladstone High School. Children of Gladstone residents between the ages of 1 and 10 are invited to hunt for "hidden" eggs on the high school grounds. Some eggs contain coupons for special prizes that can be redeemed at the prize booth or location specified on coupon. Donations of plastic eggs, prizes, or wrapped candy are welcome! There is a bin located at Gladstone City Hall to drop off those donations. You may also provide a monetary donation to assist in purchasing items. If you are interested in volunteering or donating please contact Tami Bannick at bannick@ci.gladstone.or.us or 503-557-2769 or Hayley Kratz at kratz@ci.gladstone.or.us or 503-557-2766. Thanks!

Local Meetings—

- ◆ Gladstone Business Owners & Managers will be meeting in June 2019. Please contact Sheldon Penner at sheldon@AmicusData.com or 503-516-8618 for additional information.
- ◆ Friends of Gladstone Nature Park meet the last Saturday of the month from 9:00am-12:00pm

at 18111 Webster Rd, Gladstone. For more info visit protecttheparks.org or email friendsofglastonenature@gmail.com
◆ The Gladstone Historical Society meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30pm at Gladstone City Hall Conference Room (enter at E Dartmouth door), 525 Portland Ave. Gladstone, 97027. Visit

gladstone-historicalsociety.org for more info. Guests always welcome! Old photos of the community and new ideas are needed.
◆ The Gladstone-Oak Grove Kiwanis meets every Tuesday at 7:00am at the Bomber Restaurant, 13515 SE McLoughlin Blvd. Milwaukie, OR 97222. Visitors are welcome!