

**Gladstone recreation guide offers summer fun**

Sports camps? Robotics? Performing arts? Driver Education? Summer adventures await, thanks to a spectrum of classes and day camps available through Gladstone’s community education program.

Copies of the summer activities guide, filled with activities for children, teens, and adults, are available at [www.gladstone.k12.or.us](http://www.gladstone.k12.or.us), or by calling 503-650-2570.

“Besides the opportunity to explore new interests and make new friends, day camps provide the opportunity to gain independence and confidence,” said Lennie Bjornsen, Gladstone Schools’ Director of Student and Family Support. “These experiences can help children learn new skills in fun ways.”

For families on a tight budget, the guide offers a list of free activities sponsored by the Gladstone Public Library, several bargain-priced activities in Patterson Park, and free lunch programs for youths at both Kraxberger Middle School and the Gladstone Center for Children and Families.

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**Third graders make way for ducklings**

Something new arrived at Gladstone’s John Wetten Elementary School this spring -- a hatch of peeping, fuzzy ducklings.

All third graders spent the spring carefully tending duck eggs in their classroom incubators, turning the eggs, keeping them warm, and tracking the days until they hatched.

“This is a fun way for these young scientists to study the life cycle,” said Molly Wilson, one of the third grade teachers. “Students are very excited to track the hatching, growth, and development of the ducklings. Learning to care for a living thing is an important life lesson.”

Teacher Kaitlyn Gillies initiated the project shared her knowledge with the rest of her third grade teaching team.

**Photo caption:** Ducklings are hatching in Gladstone’s third grade classrooms, part of a study of the life cycle.

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**Gladstone High celebrates 40 years of blood drives**

The Red Cross will hold a community blood drive at Gladstone High School. Hosted by the school’s Key Club, the event is in celebration of 40 years of blood drives at the school.

The event is scheduled from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Avenue. To schedule an appointment, call teacher Lynnda Prom at 503-655-2544.

“Gladstone has a long tradition of giving blood, and our students are proud to provide this opportunity to give the gift of life,” said Prom.

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**Gladstone Education Foundation seeks garage sale donations**

If spring-cleaning led to the discovery that you have *too much stuff*, consider donating clean, gently used household items, clothing, sports equipment, baby gear, books, furniture, office supplies, craft supplies, and collectibles to the Gladstone Education Foundation garage sale.

For item drop off or pick up, call Corinne at 503-722-2284 or Kathy at 971-227-2655. All donations are tax-deductible, and all proceeds will benefit students in Gladstone Schools. The garage sale will take place at Gladstone High School on June 12, 13, and 14.

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**Golf fundraiser to benefit Gladstone Schools**

Golfers, kick off your involvement in the Gladstone Cultural Festival at the golf tournament fundraiser organized by the Gladstone Education Foundation. All proceeds benefit Gladstone Schools.

The tournament is at 7:30 a.m. on Friday, August 1 at Stone Creek Golf Course. Participation is \$125 per Golfer. Hole sponsorship is \$1000 and includes golfing for four players. To sponsor a hole or to register your team, call Bill Kemnitzer at 503-522-2884 or email [billkemnitzer@aol.com](mailto:billkemnitzer@aol.com).