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**Miss Oregon meets with Gladstone kindergarteners**

Kindergarten students at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families got a special treat last week, a visit from Miss Oregon, Alexis Mather. The children were excited to hear her presentation on the importance of kindness and honesty.

Mather, an opera singer attending Portland State University, performed songs from the Disney hit Frozen.

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**Recreation program offers new experiences**

Ready for spring? Celebrate this season of growth by learning herb gardening basics, making garden art, taking a bird watching expedition, or learning a new language for your summer travels.

The Gladstone Community Schools program offers nearly 100 fun and affordable recreation classes for all ages, from guitar, yoga, painting, and computer skills to dance, martial arts, investing, and driver education. To register, visit <http://bit.ly/2IUiDaZ>.

“Recreation and learning benefit people of all ages,” said Community Schools Director Tammy Tracy. “If you need to lift your mood, make new friends, improve your health, or challenge yourself, a recreation class is an easy way to do that.”

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**Fundraisers support Gladstone High senior party**

Want to support a substance-free all night party for Gladstone’s Class of 2017? Here are two easy ways to help:

Dine Out Night

Visit the Lair [near Eastside Athletic Club] this Saturday and when you enjoy a steak dinner with all the fixings -- just \$8 -- a portion of the proceeds will benefit the Grad Night Party for Gladstone High's Class of 2017. The Lair is located at 17720 SE McLoughlin Blvd.

Flower Sale

Spring is coming, and after all that snow, we've earned it! Now's the time to show some support for Gladstone High's Class of 2017 Grad Night party by ordering some flowers for your yard. Orders are due by March 15. For an order form, call Cherie Ward via text message at 503.752.7770.

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**Pancake breakfast supports Gladstone Community**

Gladstone/Oak Grove Kiwanis and the Gladstone High School Key Club plan a pancake breakfast to support projects in the Gladstone community.

The event will take place from 8 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, March 11 at the Gladstone Senior Center, located at 1050 Portland Avenue. Breakfast is free to children age 5 and under, \$5 for those 13 and under, or \$7 for adults

The two clubs support projects including the Bicycle Safety Rodeo, blood drives, the Veteran's Day Parade, and the citywide Adopt-a-Family holiday giving effort.

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