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Thursday's Burgerville night to benefit John Wetten School

Love Burgerville? Love John Wetten School? Take a break from cooking and have dinner at the Gladstone Burgerville this Thursday, October 1, from 5 to 9 p.m.

A portion of all sales will be donated to support the Positive Behavior Support program, encouraging students to behave safely, responsibly, and respectfully.

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GHS students offer free yard work

Do you know a Gladstone senior or homebound neighbor who could use a free helping hand with yard work from Gladstone High students?

On Saturday, October 24 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., 200 students from Gladstone High School would like to give back to their community by providing free leaf raking, lawn mowing, weeding, or other chores not requiring a ladder.

Student athletes, Key Club members, Honor Society members, and the Student Senate are ready to roll up their sleeves and help!

If you know someone who could use help, contact teacher Lynnda Prom at promL@gladstone.k12.or.us or phone 503-655-2544, ext. 414.

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Grants offered to groups supporting Gladstone kids

The Gladstone Education Foundation [GEF] invites community organizations supporting Gladstone youths to apply for grants to support programs serving Gladstone students.

Proposed projects may include afterschool clubs and activities, supports to families, athletics, health & well being, community-building, innovative classroom projects, classroom technology, professional development, and more.

This year \$20,000 is available, for grants under and over \$1,000. For an application and more information, visit the GEF website at www.gladstonefoundation.org.

Applications are due October 31, with funds awarded in November. For more information, contact GEF Executive Director Tammy Tracy at tracyt@gladstone.k12.or.us.

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Donations help Gladstone Center for Children & Families

School readiness programs at the Gladstone Center for Children and Families will benefit from two donations this fall.

A \$1,000 donation from the Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary will support the GCCF's bi-monthly Story Hour, which provides a free book to each child at every event.

In addition, Associated Fords of the 50s contributed \$1,162 to early literacy, science, and art programs at the center.

Funds for both donations were raised via the Rotary-sponsored Gladstone Community Festival the first weekend in August.

PHOTO: Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary presents a donation to students and staff at the Gladstone Center for Children and Families. Pictured are Ismael Rosario of Head Start [left], Walt Fitch of Rotary, GCCF Director Christina Alquisira, and Rotarian Tom Markos. Kindergarten students Charlie Levinsohn and Oscar Beauchamp entertained the group by reading them a story.

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Food drives support Gladstone Backpack Buddies

Employees at Providence Willamette Falls Hospital donated a dozen bags and boxes of food and school supplies to the Gladstone Schools Backpack Buddies program. The program provides nutritious foods to 80 families each week.

In addition, the Gladstone/Oak Grove Rotary held a peanut butter drive to support Backpack Buddies.

"We are so thankful to have our shelves replenished!" said district spokeswoman Leslie Robinette. "We know kids learn better when they have enough to eat."

To donate to the program, contact Robinette at 503.974.5077.

PHOTOS:

Providence employees Melissa Henderson [left] and Shelly Haines deliver food and school supplies to Gladstone High School.

Rotary member Josette Godsey gathers peanut butter for Gladstone's Backpack Buddies program.