

Gladstone High holds blood drive

The Key Club at Gladstone High School organized a blood drive at their school last week. Eighty donors participated, including 37 first time donors. In all, 71 units of blood were donated, enough to benefit as many as 221 patients.

“It was a wonderful drive! We couldn’t have asked for better organization,” said Jeannie Greisser of the American Red Cross. “If I had to recommend a high school that provides a perfect sponsorship model, Gladstone High School would be one of those at the top of the list.”

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Homecoming game to include food drive, career fair, tailgater

Homecoming at Gladstone High is about much more than a football game, a dance, and the traditional Car Push competition. This year’s event also packs in community service, career exploration, and a community gathering before the big game.

Before the October 16 football game, families are invited to a tailgate party on Portland Avenue, in front of the stadium from 3 to 6 p.m. Students will have the opportunity to explore construction careers through a career fair sponsored by Construction Wants You and Build Oregon.

The event includes a free barbecue, and students who turn in a completed passport at the event are eligible for a half-time drawing for a JBL Flip 3 Bluetooth speaker.

The Student Senate is conducting a food drive on game night to benefit Backpack Buddies and the Gladstone Food Pantry. Those contributing any food item can receive \$1 off admission to the game, and those contributing a high value food item can save \$2 on football admission. [No glass jars, please.]

High value food items include:

- Canned tuna, chicken, or turkey
- Boxed cereals & oatmeal
- Pancake, biscuit, or muffin mixes
- Stew, chili, hearty soups, or canned ravioli
- Canned beans
- Minute rice
- Raisins, trail mix, or granola bars
- Spaghetti or pasta
- Peanut butter
- Canned fruit, applesauce, and vegetables
- Syrup and jam

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All books 50 cents this Saturday

The Clackamas Bookshelf will hold a bargain book sale on Saturday, October 10. A wide variety of new and used books will be sold for just 50 cents each. Proceeds from the sale will be used by the non-profit to provide children's books to kids across Clackamas County.

The Clackamas Bookshelf is located behind Kraxberger Middle School at 17777 Webster Road in Gladstone. The book sale will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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John Wetten fundraiser tops last year's effort

The recent Burgerville fundraiser for John Wetten Elementary raised \$1,695 for the school's Positive Behavior Support program. That's a whopping \$355 than last year's event.

"I'm grateful to school staff for organizing this event, and those who showed up to help serve food, greet families, and bus tables," said Vice Principal Jere Applebee. "I want to thank families for their support of the fundraiser, as well as they support they provide to students on a daily basis."

Classes with the highest participation earned class milkshake parties courtesy of Burgerville. Winners included Ms. Gillies' fourth grade class, Mr. Hill's second grade class, and Mrs. Thomas's fifth grade class.