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Gladstone Girls Robotics Team takes second place

In last week's Girls Generation robotics competition, the team from Gladstone High School took second place in a Portland competition with 20 teams.

"Our team had the most consistent and fastest climbing robot in the competition," said head coach Steve Stewart. "The students worked hard the past two weeks designing, building, wiring, and programming the robot for this competition."

The goal of the girls-only competition is to increase the number of girls involved in STEM learning: science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

PHOTO: Coach Steve Stewart and the girls' robotics team from Gladstone High show off their second place award. Pictured [left to right] are Katherine Wilmot, Hanna Schwartz, McKenzie Haws, and Kelsi Cone.

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Students to help Gladstone seniors

For the 5th straight year, 150 athletes and student leaders from Gladstone High are planning Gladstone Gives Back, a community service event to thank the neighbors who support Gladstone schools and sports programs.

Gladstone senior citizens and homebound neighbors are invited to contact event organizers if they need help with outside chores like leaf raking, weeding, lawn mowing, firewood stacking, or fence painting. For assistance, call Lynnda Prom at 503.655.2544, ext. 414 or email proml@gladstone.k12.or.us.

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Food Pantry receives grant

The Gladstone Food Pantry has been awarded \$3,000 from Clackamas County's Small Grants program. The money will create a Flex Fund to support emergency needs of the volunteer-run operation.

"We are so grateful for this support," said Pantry Foods Director Leslie Robinette. "Unexpected challenges pop up from time to time, and we will breathe easier knowing we have some funds to cover a broken freezer or extra shelving."

The food pantry, located on the Gladstone High School campus, provided food for 839 people in September.