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Pancake breakfast to raise scholarship funds

Families planning to attend the Gladstone Easter Egg Hunt are invited to attend a pancake breakfast sponsored by the Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary.

The 27th annual event in memory of Max Patterson will raise scholarship funds to support students graduating from Rex Putnam and Gladstone High Schools.

The event is Saturday, April 15 from 8 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the cafeteria at Gladstone High School, 18800 Portland Ave. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for seniors and kids, and \$16 for a family of 4. A variety of raffle prizes will be awarded.

The event is followed by the City of Gladstone Easter Egg Hunt in the adjacent Gladstone High stadium at 11 a.m. sharp.

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Gladstone Food Pantry gets top rating

The Gladstone Food Pantry received a rating of “Excellent” from the Oregon Food Bank this month. The facility operates as one of 36 school-based food pantries across the state.

Located in a portable classroom on the north side of the Gladstone High School campus, the pantry provides free food to any person in need. The volunteer-run facility is open twice a week: Thursdays from 3 to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon.

“Thanks to a grant from Clackamas County, we offer free cooking demonstrations on the third Saturday of each month,” said Pantry Foods Coordinator Leslie Robinette. “Led by professional nutritionist Stephanie Kurzenhauser, these events showcase creative ways to use foods available in our pantry.”

To volunteer, contact Theresa Schmidt at schmidt@gladstone.k12.or.us. To donate, call Leslie Robinette at robinettel@gladstone.k12.or.us.

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Kraxberger challenge day combats bullying

To build empathy and connections and reduce bullying, seventh graders at Kraxberger participated in a day-long event called Challenge Day.

Professional facilitators took the group through activities, discussions, and sharing their experiences, similarities, and differences.

The event was funded by grants from the Gladstone Education Foundation and Gladstone/Oak Lodge Rotary. Parents and community members volunteered as group facilitators.