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Gladstone bands plan winter concerts

Gladstone’s school music groups have a busy performance schedule in December. The Gladstone High Holiday Concert is at 7 p.m. on December 6 at the Gladstone High auditorium, 18800 Portland Avenue. The Kraxberger Middle School bands will perform at the Gladstone High auditorium at 7 p.m. on December 12. Both events are free and open to the public.

The Gladstone High Jazz Band will perform at the Blount International Office on December 5, and at the Somerset Retirement Facility on December 14.

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Gladstone Center wins grant for Thursday programs

Holman Automotive awarded a \$1,500 book sponsorship grant to the Gladstone Center for Children & Families [GCCF]. The funds will support the GCCF’s Thursday fun and learning program.

The Thursday events, open to families with children six and under, are designed to help children prepare for school. The rotation includes Story Hour, Activity Hour, STEAM Hour, and Science Hour. Each child attending receives a free book.

The free event runs from 4:15 to 5 p.m. each Thursday when school is in session at 18905 Portland Avenue in Gladstone.

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Recreation classes are the perfect gift

Gladstone’s community education program invites you to launch your holiday shopping or jump-start your New Year’s resolution by choosing a winter recreation class.

Adult options range from Spanish, first aid and quilting to barbecue cooking, and country line dance. Youth options include sports, hip-hop, driver education, ukulele, and more.

Dozens of choices are available. To register on-line, visit <https://apm.activecommunities.com/gladstonesdcommed>. For more information, phone 503.650.2570.

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Gladstone Food Pantry & Kids Clothes Closet set holiday schedules

In the holiday season, there are a few changes to the operating hours for the Gladstone Food Pantry and Clothes Closet.

The Kids Clothes Closet will be open:

- December 2, 9, and 16 [Saturdays] from 10 a.m. to noon

- December 7 and 14 [Thursdays] from 3 to 5 p.m.

The Food Pantry will be open:

- December 2, 9, and 16 [Saturdays] from 10 a.m. to noon
- Every Thursday from 3 to 5:30 p.m.

Both are located in portable classrooms behind Gladstone High [18800 Portland Avenue], with easy access via Nelson Lane. All are welcome.

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