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Celebrations!

Kraxberger offers summer programs

Middle schoolers will find fun, learning, and free lunch this summer at Kraxberger. Options include:

- **Summer Robotics Club** Tues., Wed., and Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
- Summer KAOS Club Mondays to Thursdays, 9 a.m. to noon from June 20 to July 14. Activities vary daily.
- Free Soccer Camp
 July 18 to 21 from 9 to 12.

GHS students learn construction skills

Mike Leone's Construction Technology class is a blur of activity. Several projects are underway simultaneously, from picnic tables and doghouses to hope chests.

The Gladstone High class is designed to teach skills essential to building trades: how to wire a circuit to code, frame a structure, install drywall, and roof a building.

"Kids get to apply math skills, while learning teamwork, project design, planning, and how to safely use tools," said Leone. "Whether they are headed for an engineering career or work in construction, this provides an essential foundation."

Positions bring strategic focus to student needs

Next fall, the Gladstone District is strategically adding two new positions to target student needs.

A Behavior Specilist at John Wetten Elementary will work with students on behavior issues and self-regulation so they can better focus on learning. This work is essential to the school's Culture of Care work.

A College & Career Counselor will support both Kraxberger Middle School and Gladstone High students in developing a plan beyond high school and understanding how school is relevant to their future.

School District creates YouTube channel

To showcase programs and opportunities in Gladstone schools, the district has launched a YouTube channel. To find it, go to the YouTube website and search for Gladstone Schools.

Featured videos include a Gladstone High student doing indoor skydiving, an Outdoor School counselor describing his experience, and student-made video promoting a fun event at John Wetten Elementary.

If you have a school video to share, contact Leslie Robinette by email.

Gladstone to offer free lunches at three sites

Hot, nutritious lunches will be provided free to youths age 1 to 18 at three sites, open Monday to Friday, June 20 to August 12. [No lunch on July 4] Parent lunches are available for \$3.

- Gladstone Center for Children & Families
 11 a.m. to noon
- Kraxberger Middle School 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
- Gladstone High 11:30 to 12:30 p.m.

Calendar

Graduation

June 15 @ 7 p.m.

Report Card/Teachers' Last Day June 16

School Board Meeting

July 13 @ 7:30 a.m.

Wetten students study engineering

Students at John Wetten Elementary used model cars to engineer a modified design to make the car travel a greater distance.

AP Chemistry students from Gladstone High helped the children accurately record measurements, make calculations, and evaluate their design.

The project integrated science, technology, engineering, and math.

GCCF to host summer library programs

As part of the Gladstone Public Library's free summer reading program, some special events are scheduled at the Gladstone Center for Children & Families.

Mad Science

Kids learn science through hands-on, interactive fun! Wednesday, June 29 at 3 p.m.

The Reptile Man

Get a close-up visit with snakes, turtles, lizards, & crocodiles! Friday, July 8 at 11 a.m. & 2 p.m.

School Board News & other news

From the June 8 Board meeting:

Board Members present: Sharon Soliday, Chair Nicole Couzens, Vice Chair Carlos Castañeda Rod Cole -- absent Kristin Eaton Jay Schmidt Bruce Wadsworth

The Board:

- Held a budget hearing.
- Recognized Gladstone High students who participated in spring athletics and activities.
- Approved the budget for the 2016-17 school year.
- Selected an official depository for district funds.
- Appointed a clerk and deputy clerk, and appointed the Superintendent the custodian of funds.
- Authorized a facsimile of signature and set a borrowing limit.
- Appointed a budget officer and investor of funds.
- · Approved imprest cash and petty cash amounts.
- Designated the newspaper of record.
- Approved trips for the dance team, Young Life, girls soccer team, and girls basketball team.
- Approved seven requests for resignation/release from contract.
- · Approved the hire of licensed employees.
- Approved a change in the inter-district transfer process to allow five more kindergarten transfers.
- Approved policies on Board member ethics and conflicts of interest, Board member ethics and nepotism, staff ethics, criminal records checks and fingerprinting, drug/alcohol/tobacco prevention and health education; graduation requirements, flag displays and salute, compulsory attendance, admissions, and public complaints.
- Approved the GCCF student handbook.
- Heard reports from district administrative staff.
- Discussed the financial report.

"We believe that out of the public school grows the greatness of a nation."

— Mark Twain

Link [or re-link] your Fred Meyer card to provide more grants for Gladstone teachers

If you shop at Fred Meyer, link your rewards card to the Gladstone Education Foundation to earn donations for our schools. If you did this in the past, thank you! You must now re-link your card by June 30 to continue benefiting Gladstone kids!

You still get your fuel points & rebates, and Gladstone Schools gets a community donation from Fred Meyer. With 150 people signed up, we raise over \$3,600 each year. With your help, we could double that!

Visit www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards. Be sure to enter Gladstone Schools, #80945.

Oregon Rising survey: What's your vision for K-12 education?

The Gladstone District is participating in Oregon Rising, a statewide conversation with parents, students, educators, and community members about their hopes and dreams for K-12 education.

To share your priorities and ideas, visit http://www.oregon-rising.org/

The survey will be open through June 30. Information gathered will be used during the next Legislative session as state leaders make budget decisions for schools.

Education Foundation plans golf tournament

To raise funds for Gladstone students, the Gladstone Education Foundation plans a Golf Tournament on Friday, July 29, at Stone Creek Golf Course.

Check-in starts at 12:30 p.m. with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. Lunch, dinner, and golf carts are provided.

A raffle and silent auction will add to the fun. To buy tickets or to donate raffle items, call Tammy Tracy at 503.655.2777, ext. 577.