

Gladstone Parks & Recreation

GLADSTONE 50+ NEWS

February—March 2012

The New bus is here!!

A brand new Ford, 40-passenger bus has been delivered for the 50+ Program. We are rolling it out in January and you will want to be on it! A special thanks to the Gladstone City Council for making it possible.

DAY TRIPS

TERRIBLES ST JO CASINO - TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7—You'll enjoy 587 famous name slots and video poker machines plus many table games. Lunch is free for our group in the buffet. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Bus departs at 8:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: February 1st.

QUALITY HILL PLAYHOUSE "MAKE SOMEONE HAPPY, THE SONGS OF COMDEN AND GREEN"—THURSDAY, MARCH 8 – Betty Comden and Adolf Green made lots of someones happy with their scores (Bells Are Ringing, Wonderful Town) and screenplays (Singin' in the Rain, On the Town). You will enjoy a delicious lunch at Garozzo's where you will choose from Chicken Spedini, Eggplant Parmesan or Lasagna. Please give your lunch choice when registering. Cost: \$49.00 includes transportation, lunch and show. Bus departs at 10:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: February 8th.

TITANIC – THE ARTIFACT EXHIBITION – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21 OR SATURDAY, APRIL 7 - On April 15, 1912, Titanic, the world's largest ship, sank after colliding with an iceberg, claiming more than 1,500 lives. Experience the wonder and tragedy of this ill-fated Ship on a journey through Titanic history at Union Station. Travel back in time with compelling stories, historically accurate room recreations, and nearly 300 authentic artifacts recovered on seven research expeditions since the Ship's discovery in 1985. You will also see a movie on Kansas City's largest movie screen (4-stories tall), the Extreme Screen. Lunch is on your own at Union Station. Cost: \$29.00 includes transportation, exhibit and movie. Bus departs at 9:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 2:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 7th and March 23rd.

Bus Departure

All Bus trips depart from the west side of Happy Rock Park, located at 76th and Old Antioch Road. (Happy Rock Park is one mile north of White Chapel Funeral Home).

HOME SHOW AND FLOWER, LAWN & GARDEN SHOW – SATURDAY, MARCH 24 - The Kansas City Home Show together with the Flower, Lawn and Garden Show showcases the latest ideas, opportunities, and choices for homeowners to get a jump on spring home and garden projects. During one action-packed weekend Bartle Hall brims with new home products and services, decorating, design and building demonstrations, the latest remodeling ideas, and premier landscaping displays. Cost: \$13.00 includes transportation and admission. Bus departs at 10:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 14th.

THE NEW THEATRE "PUMP BOYS AND DINETTES" - WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28 - Part musical, part concert, part revue, part theatre, and 100% amazing. The actors perform music live on stage with guitars, piano, bass and even kitchen utensils. They bring you their musical tribute to "life by the roadside." Cost: \$42.00 includes transportation and dinner theatre. Bus departs at 11:15 a.m. and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: February 28th.

BIG CREEK COUNTRY MUSIC SHOW - SATURDAY, MARCH 31—Located in Pleasant Hill, Missouri, the Big Creek Country Show is celebrating its 30th Anniversary. Since opening in 1982, thousands of folks have been thoroughly entertained by some of the finest country musicians and comedians in the business. You will enjoy dinner before the show at the Downtown Café in Pleasant Hill. Cost: \$40.00 includes transportation, dinner and show. Bus departs at 5:00 p.m. and will return at approximately 11:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 16th.

AMERICAN HEARTLAND THEATRE "THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST" - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 - Currently a smash hit on Broadway, *The Importance of Being Earnest* is a glorious comedy of mistaken identities, which ridicules codes of propriety and etiquette. Dashing men about town John Worthing and Algernon Moncrieff pursue fair ladies Gwedolen Fairfax and Cecily Cardew. Matters are complicated by the imaginary characters invented by both men to cover their on the sly activities, not to mention the disapproval of Gwedolen's mother, the formidable Lady Bracknell, played by Kansas City favorite Jim Korinke! Cost: \$27.00 includes transportation and show. Lunch is on your own before the show at Crown Center. Bus departs at 11:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 9th.

TERRIBLES ST JO CASINO - TUESDAY, APRIL 10—You'll enjoy 587 famous name slots and video poker machines plus many table games. Lunch is free for our group in the buffet. Cost: \$10.00 includes transportation. Bus departs at 8:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 3:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: April 4th.

HEART OF AMERICA CHORUS "GOLD AND MORE GOLD" - SATURDAY, APRIL 14 - The Kansas City Chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, Inc. presents their 66th Annual Show of Barbershop Harmony. The show will star the Heart of America Chorus of Kansas City and feature several other Barbershop choruses. The show will be in Yardley Hall at Johnson County Community College. Cost: \$25.00 includes transportation and show. Bus departs at 12:45 p.m. and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 9th.

MYSTERY DAY TRIP – FRIDAY, APRIL 20 – The only information you can have about this trip is: interesting sites, good food and fun traveling companions. If you've been here, it wasn't with us.... this is our first time. Cost: \$87.00 includes motorcoach transportation, tours and lunch. Motorcoach departs at 6:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 7:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 22nd.

TIP TOE THRU THE TULIPS...KANSAS STYLE – TUESDAY, APRIL 24 – Topeka's flower gardens present a beautiful display of tulips and daffodils in the spring. You will visit the Ted Ensley Gardens – the gardens span 9.5 acres with 50,000 tulips and daffodils. Old Prairie Town and Botanical Garden – this peaceful setting includes 31,000 tulips and daffodils and more than 500 varieties of flowers, shrubs and trees. You will enjoy a guided tour of Cedar Crest, the residence of the Governor of Kansas. You will also enjoy a delicious lunch served by the Harvey Girls at the Great Overland Station, followed by a tour. Cost: \$76.00 includes motorcoach transportation, tours and lunch. Motorcoach departs at 8:00 a.m. and will return at approximately 6:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 23rd.

We're starting something new!

The Lunch Bunch

Join me (Paige) at a different restaurant each month just to get acquainted (or reacquainted), meet new people, see old friends and just enjoy some camaraderie and great food. We will meet at 11:15 a.m. at the following Restaurants:

January 19—Red Lobster, 450 NW Barry Road
February 16—Olive Garden, 500 NW Barry Road
March 16—Perkins, 5440 N. Oak

Everyone pays individually. Please RSVP (423-4086) so that I can let the restaurant know how many to expect.

THE NEW THEATRE "25TH ANNUAL PUTNAM COUNTY SPELLING BEE" – APRIL 25 OR MAY 23 – This show stars Richard Karn from Home Improvement and Family Feud. In this hilarious musical comedy, six young school kids, overseen by grown-ups who barely managed to escape childhood themselves, find out that winning isn't everything and that losing doesn't necessarily make you a loser. Cost: \$42.00 includes transportation and dinner theatre. Bus departs at 11:15 a.m. and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 27th and April 24th.

QUALITY HILL PLAYHOUSE "LIFE IS A CABARET, THE SONGS OF KANDER AND EBB" – THURSDAY, APRIL 26 – From their 1966 break-out hit *Cabaret* to 1975's *Chicago* (and the 1996 revival) to *Curtains* in 2006, Kander and Ebb have wowed audiences with their razzle dazzle. You will enjoy lunch at The Bristol Seafood Grill located in the Power & Light District. Your lunch choices are Almond Crusted Tilapia, Mesquite Grilled Chicken Breast, and Salmon Salad. Please give your choice when registering. Cost: \$56.00 includes transportation, lunch and show. Bus departs at 10:45 a.m. and will return at approximately 4:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 28th.

MIDDLE CREEK OPRY – JIM ED BROWN & HELEN CORNELIUS - SATURDAY, APRIL 28 – Helen Cornelius and Jim Ed Brown had successful careers before they teamed up in 1976. "I Don't Want To Marry You", recorded in their first year together, topped the country charts. Their 1977 hit "Saying Hello, Saying I Love You, Saying Goodbye" reached No. 2. The duo had six Top 10 hits in total, including "If The World Ran Out Of Love" and "You Don't Bring Me Flowers" (1978), "Fools" (1979), and "Morning Comes Too Early" (1980). They won the 1977 CMA Vocal Duo of the Year, as well as being nominated for the same category for the years 1978-80. You will enjoy a delicious dinner here after the show. Cost: \$47.00 includes transportation, show and dinner. Bus departs at 2:00 p.m. and will return at approximately 8:30 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 29th.

JERSEY BOYS – THURSDAY, MAY 3 - A stunning musical biography of Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons, This is the story of how four blue-collar kids became one of the greatest successes in pop music history. They wrote their own songs, invented their own sounds and sold 175 million records worldwide—all before they were 30! *Jersey Boys*, winner of the 2006 Grammy Award for Best Musical Show Album, features their hit songs "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Rag Doll," "Oh What a Night" and "Can't Take My Eyes Off You." This show will be at the Music Hall. Cost: 67.00 includes transportation and show. Bus departs at 1:00 p.m. and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m. Reservation deadline: March 2nd.

OVERNIGHT & EXTENDED TOURS

TEXAS' FIESTAS & FUN—APRIL 19-25, 2012—

You will travel to Oklahoma City and tour the National Cowboy Hall of Fame & Western Heritage Museum. In Austin, you will enjoy a tour of the state capitol building and visit the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum which tells the story of Texas. You will travel to Texas Hill Country where you will tour the LBJ Ranch. You will visit Fredricksburg and the National Museum of the Pacific War. You will enjoy a guided tour of San Antonio including the Alamo, Mission San Jose, the Japanese Tea Gardens and El Mercado. Fiesta San Antonio, an annual festival that takes place each spring, is in full swing and you will have a chance to enjoy some of the many events going on. Tour the SAS shoe factory and enjoy a river barge ride on the Paseo del Rio. You will have reserved seats for the Texas Cavalier Parade, where decorated barges become floating "islands". In Dallas you'll tour the Sixth Floor Museum which chronicles the assassination and legacy of President John F. Kennedy. Tour the Oklahoma National Memorial and Museum dedicated to the victims of the bombing in Oklahoma City at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. *Cost: \$1179.00 includes motorcoach transportation, accommodations, tours, ten meals and gratuities. A \$50.00 deposit is required to hold space with final payment due March 9th.*

CALIFORNIA COAST—MAY 3-11, 2012—Join us for a special trip presentation on Friday, January 27th at 2:00 p.m. at Gladstone City Hall.

From the big cities of San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego, to Mother Nature's masterpiece - Yosemite National Park, you'll see the sights and landmarks that make California so unforgettable. Highlights include: San Diego city tour, Mission San Juan Capistrano, Los Angeles, Hollywood Tour, Hollywood Walk of Fame, Grauman's Chinese Theatre, Reagan Library, Hearst Castle, Big Sur Coast, Solvang, Santa Barbara, Carmel & the famed 17-Mile Drive, Monterey, Yosemite National Park, Old Sacramento, Napa Valley, Winery Tour and Tasting, San Francisco city tour, and much more! *Cost: \$2751.00 per person, double occupancy includes air, hotels, sightseeing, 12 meals, cancellation insurance and gratuities. A \$500.00 deposit is due immediately to hold space.*

SPRING MYSTERY TRIP – MAY 17-19, 2012 –

North, south, east or west?? Join us for an adventure to the unknown. All we can tell you is...great food, interesting sights, fun traveling companions, and a lot of fun! *Cost: \$455.00 per person, double occupancy includes motorcoach transportation, accommodations, tours and 7 meals. A \$50.00 deposit is required to hold space with final payment due April 13th.*

ST. LOUIS ON AMTRAK – JUNE 13-15, 2012 – You will board Amtrak in KC and ride the rails to St. Louis. You will enjoy a Budweiser Brewery tour and visits to Grant's Farm, The Butterfly House,

St. Louis continued— the Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis Basilica, the St. Louis Arch and the Museum of Westward Expansion. You'll also enjoy a dinner cruise on the Mississippi River. *Cost: \$405.00 per person includes motorcoach transportation, Amtrak (one way), accommodations, tours and 4 meals. A \$50.00 deposit is required to hold space with final payment due May 11th.*

TRANS CANADIAN RAIL EXPERIENCE & CANADIAN ROCKIES—JULY 26 - AUGUST 3, 2012—

On this exciting trip you will see some of the most spectacular scenery you've ever experienced. Your tour starts in the Canadian Rockies where sightseeing will include Banff National Park, Yoho National Park, Emerald Lake, Takkakaw Falls, Moraine Lake, Lake Louise, Bow Falls, Peyto Lake, a boat ride on Maligne Lake and a Snowcoach ride on Athabasca Glacier. You will enjoy all the pleasures of train travel as VIA Rail's *Canadian* takes you from Jasper, Alberta through an ever-changing landscape east to Toronto. You will spend 3-nights on the train en route to Toronto. All of your meals are included and prepared by your onboard chef. Enjoy the 360-degree view in the panoramic section on the upper observation deck, or settle into one of the two elegant lounges. Upon arrival in Toronto you will enjoy a guided Toronto tour before a visit to Niagara Falls. *Cost: \$4250.00 per person includes air, VIA Rail (upper or lower berth accommodations), hotels, sightseeing, gratuities, taxes, 16 meals and travel insurance. A \$750.00 deposit will hold space. Berth space is limited on the train so make your reservation as soon as possible.*

DOOR COUNTY WISCONSIN – AUGUST 13-18, 2012 –

Wisconsin's Door County is often referred to as the Cape Cod of the Midwest. With five state parks, eleven lighthouses and 300 miles of shoreline, this 70-mile long sliver of land that juts out into Lake Michigan is a perfect summer getaway. Highlights include the House on the Rock, a guided tour of Door County featuring the Maritime Museum, Washington Island, a Fish Boil Dinner and famous lighthouses, the Wisconsin state Capitol building, the Amana Colonies, and much more. *Cost: \$995.00 includes motorcoach transportation, accommodations, tours, 7 meals and gratuities. A \$50.00 deposit is required to hold space no later than June 8th.*

WASHINGTON D.C. & WILLIAMSBURG – SEPTEMBER 13-19, 2012 –

See all the sights of our nation's capitol including Arlington National Cemetery, the World War II, Iwo Jima, Korean & Vietnam War Memorials, Capitol Hill the Lincoln and Jefferson Memorials, the Smithsonian Institute, and much more. Other highlights include the U.S. Naval Academy, Mount Vernon, Jamestown, Yorktown and Colonial Williamsburg. *Cost: \$2175.00 per person, double occupancy includes air, accommodations, sightseeing, 9 meals and cancellation insurance. A \$300.00 deposit will hold space with final payment due June 22nd.*

NOVEMBER 12-20, 2012—AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT - ST. LOUIS TO NEW ORLEANS - Join us on a relaxing cruise on the Mississippi River aboard the grand *American Queen*, the only authentic overnight paddlewheel steamboat in America. The largest steamboat ever built, the grand *American Queen* is a gracious and elegant triumph of American ingenuity. Although filled with today's modern amenities, her rooms and accommodations display all the opulence of the American Victorian era. Glistening woodwork, fresh flowers and antiques adorn her interior spaces. Ports visited will be Cape Girardeau, New Madrid, Memphis, Vicksburg, Natchez, St. Francisville and Baton Rouge. You will also enjoy time in New Orleans. Pricing will be out soon. Call for an itinerary on this exciting trip.

Valentine's Day Brunch

**Tuesday, February 14th
Gladstone Community Center**

10:00 a.m.

\$12.00

**Reservation deadline:
February 7th.**

We would love for you to come to this lovely affair on Valentine's Day. You will love the food and you will love the entertainment and you will love the company. Your loving Gladstone Parks & Recreation Department will show you a lovely time so don't miss this sweet event!

**We accept Cash, Checks &
Credit / Debit Cards
(Mastercard, Visa & Discover)**

Registration

All programs must be paid at time of registration unless otherwise noted.

- By Mail - make checks to Gladstone Parks & Recreation, 7010 N Holmes,
- Gladstone, MO 64118
- By Phone - (816) 423-4086 with Visa, MasterCard or Discover
- In person at Gladstone City Hall or the Gladstone Community Center.

Cancellation Policy

A full refund will be issued in the event of a trip cancellation due to insufficient enrollment. Refunds are available up to the registration deadline, a \$5 processing fee will be deducted. After registration deadline, a refund will be issued only if the participant can be replaced, a \$5 processing fee will be deducted. If participant desires, a credit will be issued for the entire amount for use in future programs.

50+ COOKBOOK

THE COOKBOOK IS HERE! "Look What's Cookin' in Gladstone" is full of delicious tried and true recipes submitted by the areas best "50+" cooks. The cost is \$10.00 and you can purchase the books at City Hall or the Community Center.

Do you want to get your Newsletter faster? By receiving your copy of the 50+ Newsletter via e-mail - you receive your newsletter at least one week before those who receive it by mail! Take advantage of this great opportunity by e-mailing paiger@gladstone.mo.

ART SHOW OPENING RECEPTION

"Artist & Teacher"

The next art show will open on Tuesday, February 7th at the Gladstone Community Center. This show will focus on the 45 visual art educators in the North Kansas City School District. In Addition to encouraging students to develop a body of work, these teachers are also artists in their own right. This show is a celebration of these individuals who are at once both artist and teacher. Light refreshments will be served from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The exhibit will be open during the normal operating hours of the Gladstone Community Center for six weeks.

February 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 American Heart-land Theatre—depart at 11:00 White Elephant Bingo—Star Point Café, 64th & Pros-	2	3	4
5	6 Duplicate & Social Bridge 9:00 a.m. Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m. Community Center	7 Terrible's Casino—depart at 8:45 a.m. Cancer Action Work- shop 9:00 a.m. Commu- nity Center Bridge and Games of Choice 12:30 p.m.	8 White Elephant Bingo—Perkins, N. Oak 11:30 a.m.	9	10	11
12	13 Duplicate & So- cial Bridge 9:00 a.m. Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m. Community Center	14 Valentine Brunch 10:00 a.m. Community Center Bridge and Games of Choice Community Center 12:30 p.m.	15 The New Theatre depart at 11:15 a.m. White Elephant Bingo—Captain D's 11:30 a.m.	16 Lunch Bunch— Red Lobster, 11:30 a.m.	17	18
19	20 Duplicate & So- cial Bridge 9:00 a.m. Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m. Community Center	21 AARP Meeting 11:30 p.m. Commu- nity Center Bridge and Games of Choice—Community Center 12:30 p.m.	22 White Elephant Bingo—China One 11:30 a.m.	23	24	25
26	27 Gladstone Seniors meeting 10:30 a.m. Duplicate & Social Bridge 9:00 Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m. Com- munity Center	28 Cancer Action Workshop 9:00 a.m. Community Center Bridge and Games of Choice Community Center 12:30 p.m.	29 White Elephant Bingo—Pizza Street, 307 N. Englewood 11:30 a.m.			

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4	5 Duplicate & Social Bridge 9:00 a.m. Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.	6 Bridge and Games of Choice 12:30 Community Center	7 White Elephant Bingo—Star Point Café, 64th & Pros- pect 11:30 a.m.	8 Quality Hill Playhouse—depart at 10:45 a.m.	9	10
11	12 Duplicate & Social Bridge 9:00 Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.	13 Cancer Action Workshop 9:00 a.m. Community Center Bridge and Games of Choice 12:30 Com-	14 White Elephant Bingo—Perkins, N. Oak 11:30 a.m.	15 St. Patrick's Party 11:30 a.m. Community Center	16 Lunch Bunch Olive Garden, Barry Road 11:15 a.m.	17
18	19 Duplicate & So- cial Bridge 9:00 Community Center Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m.	20 AARP meeting 11:30 a.m. Commu- nity Center Bridge and Games of Choice 12:30 Com-	21 Titanic—depart at 9:00 a.m. White Elephant Bingo—Captain D's 11:30 a.m.	22	23	24 Home Show and Flower, Lawn & Garden Show— depart at 10:30 a.m.
25	26 Gladstone Senior meeting 10:30 a.m. Duplicate & Social Bridge 9:00 a.m. Pinochle and Hand & Foot 12:30 p.m. Com- munity Center	27 Cancer Action Workshop 9:00 a.m. Community Center Bridge and Games of Choice 12:30 Commu- nity Center	28 The New Thea- tre—depart at 11:15 a.m. White Elephant Bingo—China One	29	30	31 Big Creek Country Music— depart at 5:00 p.m.

St. Patrick's Party

A light heart lives longest,
so the Irish say...

And so we're having a party
to celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

For the luck of the Irish wear your
green and join us

Thursday, March 15th
Gladstone Community Center

11:30 a.m.

\$15.00

Reservation deadline:
March 2nd

Leprechauns are welcome!

50+ Activities

These activities are held at the Gladstone
Community Center, 6901 N. Holmes

Gladstone Seniors: Fourth Monday of each month,
10:30 a.m. business meeting followed by entertainment
and potluck luncheon.

AARP: Third Tuesday of each month, 11:30 a.m. pot-
luck luncheon followed by entertainment and business
meeting.

Cancer Action Workshop: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of
each month, 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Pinochle Club: Mondays at 12:30 p.m. (no partner
needed)

Bridge: Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. (no partner needed)

**Northland Duplicate Bridge Club (ACBL Sanc-
tioned):** Mondays at 9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Social Bridge: Mondays at 9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Hand & Foot: Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Card Games of Choice: Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m.

White Elephant Bingo: Wednesdays - meet at a differ-
ent restaurant each week to enjoy lunch and BINGO!
Check the calendar inside for upcoming dates and loca-
tions.

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