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Staff prepares for big move to new site located on the Young’s River; Ribbon cutting ceremony and open house scheduled for August 14th

Astoria, Ore. – Monday, July 21, 2014 - - The Astoria Parks & Recreation (ARC) today announced it is moving to a new building located at 1555 W. Marine Dr., The Astoria Yacht Club, from its current site of 1411 Grand Ave. beginning July 30, 2014. Offices will be closed Tuesday, July 29 and will reopen the following day on July 30. All activities including day camps, adult fitness and senior programs will relocate to the new building. The phone number will remain the same: (503) 741-3035.

“We are excited about the move to the Yacht Club because it will mean improvements to current programs,” said Terra Patterson, Astoria Recreation Coordinator. “The Teen Center is shaping up to be a great place for kids to hang out and have fun. The new location will also be located closer to the high school making it easier for local teens to take advantage of all it has to offer.”

Along with a beautiful view of the Young’s River visitors to the ARC at the Yacht Club will enjoy newly renovated fitness spaces including newly finished wood floors and freshly painted walls.

“The overall space will have a bright, welcoming and lively feel,” Patterson added.

The move comes in part to the lease agreement coming to term. The new lease rate could not be settled upon as the proposed rate fell outside of the ARC department’s 2014 budget.

### Grand Opening/ Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

An open house and ribbon cutting ceremony is planned for Thursday, August 14, 2014 for the general public to celebrate the new location. The time is yet to be determined. City councilor members will be present to answer questions and provide information. Tours, staff meet-and-greet, light appetizers and free activities will be provided for children. Adult Fitness Class Previews will also be offered at no cost with regular classes to commence as scheduled.

#### Free Adult Fitness Class Previews: 30 Minuets

- Spin Cycling, hosted by Debbie Stevens: Spinning classes provide vigorous workouts. The instructor guides participants through various workout phases including a warm-up, steady up-tempo cadences, sprints, climbs and cool-downs. Participants control resistance on the bike to make the pedaling as easy or difficult as you choose.
- Core Strength: The Core Strength class focuses on building up the body’s core muscle groups by exercising and strengthening the abdomen and back muscles.

### Senior Center & ARC to Share Space For Limited Time

The Astoria Parks and Recreation Center and Senior Center will share the Yacht Club facility for a limited time. When a new location can be determined the Senior Center will move and the entire Yacht Club space will be occupied by the ARC.

### Astoria Parks & Recreation

The mission of the Astoria Parks and Recreation is to provide life-long learning, wellness, and well-being through recreational opportunities. It is dedicated to the preservation of natural resources, open spaces and facilities that inspire and bring neighbors together. The Parks and Recreation Department oversees parks and recreation activities for the City of Astoria. The department coordinates recreational sporting activities throughout the year, including softball, flag football, volleyball, and basketball. It also coordinates several classes and special events such as Movies in the park, Breakfast with Santa, an Easter egg hunt, and two Valentine’s dances throughout the year. The Parks & Recreation Department is comprised of the administration & recreation and the maintenance divisions. In addition, the Parks & Recreation Director manages the Ocean View Cemetery and the Astoria Aquatic Center.

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