

# Rocky Pointe Marina      March 2020 Newsletter

## **Derelict Boat Update**

The derelict boat anchored just upstream of our neighboring marina has relocated about a mile upstream and no longer is considered a threat to our safety. There are about 10 boats currently anchored upstream 1 to 3 miles. They typically stay where there is easy access to shore and roads to services. Hopefully they will stay away from us. If you see suspicious activity like small boats coming into our marina at night, they are trespassing so contact 911.

## **Boat Registrations**

This year Rocky Pointe has committed to make sure all boats in the marina have current registrations. Bills were sent by the Oregon State Marine Board by email or mail in December. They do not send follow up notices. If you are unsure or have questions of any type regarding your registration, feel free to contact the Marine Board in Salem at 503-378-8587.

Documented boats also need to be registered with the Marine Board. US Coast Guard Documentation deals only with vessel ownership. Documented boats must also be registered in the state of primary use. The decal is placed on the hull on both sides near the stern.

Our staff is happy to put the stickers on your boat. Mail them to the office and request we do so.

The River Patrols will be inspecting soon and issuing citations. FYI- they are required to do this as part of their financial support from the Marine Board. They receive no additional money from writing tickets.

## **Dock Updates**

The staff continues to work on the new docks during the winter. Currently they are focusing on the inside dock connecting the lower and middle marina. There may be times that the dock is closed for a few days.

## **Water on March 15<sup>th</sup>**

Weather permitting, we will turn on the water to the boat slips and open the restrooms in the lower and upper marina. If freezing is forecast, we may need to delay.

## **Census**

The 2020 Census will start soon. They will first be mailing the questionnaire in late March. If no response is received, they will start going door to door in May. There have been rumors about fake census takers. In May we will post at our entrance that Census Staff must check in with the office. If everyone simply mails in their census, then our security is maintained.

## **River levels**

Curious about river levels? On our website under "weather/river levels" you can see a graph of the history, current and forecast for the next week. Minor flood stage is 16' for Portland and our parking lot starts getting some water at 18'. So far this year, 10.5ft has been the max.

## **Weekend Hours**

Starting in March the office will be open on Sunday with weekend hours still at 11am-3pm