A NEW 'HAUNT' FOR ASTORIANS

Downtown bar offers up Norwegian fare, local brews

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A side of lox or pickled cabbage, lefse pieces with cinnamon and sugar, a dish featuring Scandinavian gjetost – served with a Northwest brew on tap. It's all possible at one of Astoria's newest bars, a spot for those looking to taste the region's past and present.

Situated just a block from the Columbia River, The Haunt is easily recognized by its bright blue exterior. Since opening in April, it's been filling a unique cuisine gap, one closely related to the region's heritage.

The Haunt

143 Ninth St., Astoria Open daily from 4 p.m. to 12 a.m.

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ABOVE: "Raven," the crow is "a mascot that keeps watch" over the new bar, according to Lee. RIGHT: Mark Meyer, left, a cook at The Haunt, stands beside Scott Lee, owner of the new Astoria bar.

