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Amnesty, Licenses, and Low Cost Vaccinations Offered by Marion County Dog Control

SALEM, OR - Marion County Dog Control will host a Dog License Amnesty event offering amnesty on late fees and license violations, as well as a low cost vaccination clinic. The event will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2012, at Airport Self Storage at 2142 Turner Road SE in Salem.

Santiam Equine Veterinary Clinic will partner with dog control and provide low-cost vaccinations for dogs. **FREE rabies vaccinations will be offered to those who also purchase a second preventative vaccine**. Other low cost vaccinations being offered are Corona vaccinations \$10.00, DHLPP vaccinations \$10.00, and Bordatella vaccinations \$10.00.

"Stray dogs at the shelter that don't go home are almost always dogs without a license or other form of identification," said Sonya Pulvers, office manager at Marion County Dog Shelter. "Loving your dog means vaccinating and licensing him so he's safe, healthy, and can be returned to you if he's lost."

Licenses are \$17 a year for neutered or spayed dogs and \$32 for unaltered dogs. The license fee is spayed or neutered dogs owned by seniors 65 or older is \$5. Proof of neutering or spaying must be provided to receive the reduced fee or senior discount. Multi-year licenses are also available. Please bring a check or exact change. Dogs must be on leashes or in carriers.

All owners and keepers of dogs in Marion County are required by law to purchase a license when a dog reaches six months of age. Licenses are also required within 30 days of becoming a dog owner or moving into Marion County. For more information, call (503) 588-5233.

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