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Friends of the Salem Public Library will hold its spring book sale April 5-7. ANNA REED/STATESMAN JOURNAL

# Book sale alert, plus a puppy ‘paw-ty’

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**Salem Public Library book sale will be full of bargains April 5-7**

Books and bargains will be the name of the game April 5-7 at the Salem Public Library. That’s because Friends of the Salem Public Library will be holding its spring book sale in the Anderson Rooms at the library, 585 Liberty St. SE.

The sale runs from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 5, and Saturday, April 6, and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, April 7.

A wide variety of books and CDs will be available and sorted by subject. Additional books will be put out during the sale, so multiple trips might prove advantageous.

Here is the pricing breakdown: \$1.25 for hardcovers, 75 cents for paperbacks, 50 cents for children/teen books, \$1 for audio books and 50 cents for audio/visual/CDs.

The books that survive the Friday and Saturday rush will be eligible

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for “bag day” pricing on Sunday. A bag of books is only \$4. Bags will be provided.

Contact Friends of the Salem Public Library at 503-362-1755 or online at [www.salemfriends.org](http://www.salemfriends.org).

**10,000 books up for grabs at Stayton Friends of the Library book sale**

It’s the weekend for deals on books because Stayton Friends of the Library is hosting its annual spring book sale April 4-6 at the Stayton Community Center, 400 West Virginia St. in Stayton.

The sale will feature over 10,000 books sorted into 42 categories. There will be DVDs and CDs for sale as well. All proceeds benefit the Stayton Public Library.

The sale will take place from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 4. Hard

covers will be \$1.50, trades (large paperbacks) \$1, mass market paperbacks 75 cents, selected romance 5 for \$1 and children’s books 50 cents.

Hours on Friday, April 5, will be 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Prices will be as follows: hard covers \$1, paperbacks 50 cents, selected romance 10 for \$1 and children’s books 25 cents.

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., shoppers can fill a bag for \$5.

Saturday, April 6, is “bag day” from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Shoppers can bring their own bag and fill it with books for only \$5 or bring a box and fill it for \$8 beginning at 1 p.m.

For information or questions, contact Stayton Friends of the Library at 503-769-8886.

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Marijuana plants. ANNA REED / STATESMAN JOURNAL FILE

## Growers

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a friendly reminder to let them know that inspections are happening and that if we catch you out of compliance, it could be as much as \$200 a day.”

Oregon politicians are worried that if they don’t keep a lid on marijuana flowing into the black market, the federal government will crack down.

“Reporting to the Oregon Medical Marijuana

Online System is crucial in that it requires growers to report cannabis products going into or out of their site ... which helps to prevent diversion to the black market,” said Megan Lockwood, an Oregon Medical Marijuana Program manager.

Lockwood said a recent Oregon secretary of state audit identified tracking enforcement as an area the program needed to address to reduce diversion.

The state said growers can expect a warning let-

ter later this month with penalties of at least \$200 going into effect in May. People must report monthly if they’re a designated grower for a patient other than themselves; if they’re growing for themselves at home but are transferring product to a processor or dispensary; and if they’re growing for themselves somewhere other than their home.

Reporting rules don’t apply to patients growing for themselves at home.

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A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Scotts Mills, Marion County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 will be held at City Hall located at 265 4th St. Scotts Mills, OR 97375.

The meeting will take place on May 1, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any persons may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. Budget Committee Meeting dates and information can also be found on our website: [www.scottsmills.org](http://www.scottsmills.org)

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 29, 2019 at the City Hall located at 265 4th St., Monday and Wednesday between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.

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## Steelhead

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The state was granted permission to kill California sea lions last November after a years-long process in which the state argued the pinnipeds were eating almost 25 percent of the steelhead run and putting them in “imminent danger of going extinct.”

ODFW has since removed and euthanized 16 sea lions — including three Wednesday morning. The agency is allowed to kill up to 93 per year.

“We’re excited to see some of the best winter steelhead returns in recent years,” said Dr. Shaun Clements, ODFW senior policy analyst. “We’re encouraged by the fish numbers and by the success in implementing the sea lion removal program. We’ve definitely been able to reduce predation this year and provide some relief to the fish.”

**Is improvement significant and all about sea lion removal?**

The number of winter steelhead is still well below normal.

In the last 20 years, an average of 6,649 fish returned to the upper river systems. And the runs have traditionally been impacted more by ocean conditions — and other issues like habitat and dams — than on sea lion predation.

“It is important to understand that this uptick in numbers is very limit-



The dock where the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has sea lion traps set up, lower left, is just north of Willamette Falls, in Oregon City, where the sea lions have been consuming steelhead on their way to spawning grounds in the upper Willamette River Basin. DAVID DAVIS AND KELLY JORDAN / STATESMAN JOURNAL

ed in comparison to the historic numbers,” said Travis Williams, executive director of Willamette Riverkeeper. “It is also important to remind people that the main reasons for the decline of our native fish is the impact of dams, habitat degradation and hatcheries — not sea lions”

Even so, Clements said the sea lion removal clearly played a role. He pointed out that winter steelhead runs were worse than last season across much of Oregon, but were higher on the Upper Willamette.

“There are a lot of other factors involved — including ocean conditions and upstream fish passage,” he said. “But by removing sea lions, at least we’re giving them a chance.”

**Why sea lion lethal action v. removal?**

ODFW attempted to remove sea lions non-lethally for years, but the

imals arrive at Willamette Falls to eat spring chinook. In the past, anywhere from 30 to 50 sea lions made their way to Willamette Falls.

How many sea lions are removed remains to be seen, but Clements said it would likely take 2 to 3 years before most of the animals were moved out.

Don’t know reach that point, hoping after three years reached the oones habitilaty coming back. Maybe just 1 or 2, but don’t get big pulse of animals. 20 to 30. Probalem is, 1 or 2, learn from each other, you get more. Pretty confident get on top of it.

“We typically see an increase in sea lion abundance at the falls in April as additional animals move in to feed on the more abundant spring Chinook,” Clements said. “We always expected it would take 2 to 3 years to fully manage predation at this site but we’re encouraged by the early results.”

ODFW will get a final count on winter steelhead at the end of May, when the spawning migration typically ends.

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