

TELL-E-GRAM

MAY 22, 2018



BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Long Range Planning Advisory Committee Member Susan Kirk was voted in as the newest LRPAC member, approved 7-0.
- **Minutes** The minutes for April 18, 2018 Board meeting were approved 7-0.
- **Summit Medical Group** Ed Curtis (CEO of Summit Medical Group) provided an update of the medical facility. In the near future, cardiology and dermatology will be at the site. Summit is also working on adding orthopedic surgery to their services at the site. Mr. Curtis is hopeful that these services will be added by the end of the year.
- Audit Report (Coulter & Justus, PC) The Audit Committee met and reviewed the financial statements. It was approved by the Audit Committee. Coulter & Justus PC gave the POA a clean opinion and no internal control matters were noted. The financial statements are available on the POA website and the Board approved the Audit Report 7-0.
- **Pool Temperature Petitions** Jane Plumadore and her committee are looking to resolve the long-standing issue with the pool temperatures. They presented several statistics and have been monitoring the pool temperatures. They discussed their petition and request that the swimming pool temperature

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POA MEETINGS AND EVENTS (RED DENOTES IRREGULARITY OF TIME, DAY, AND/OR LOCATION):

May 24, 9:30 a.m., Long Range, POA Conference Room

June 1, 9 a.m., Communication Advisory Committee, POA Conference Room

June 5, 10 a.m., Board Workshop, POA Conference Room

June 6, 9 a.m., Public Services, POA Conference Room June 7, 9 a.m., ACC, POA Conference Room be returned to 85 degrees and that the therapy pool be returned to 98 degrees. The committee also presented their motion to the Board to be considered for approval. The Board did not take any action but took it under advisement. The Board will respond and make an announcement regarding pool temperatures at the June Board meeting.

- **HOA Update** Sue English-Kovar presented the HOA update. Membership continues to rise. As of April 12th, there are 3,053 individuals registered with the HOA. May 8th social was very popular with 283 people in attendance. Sue also presented featured events and upcoming meetings. For more information, visit www. hoatv.org
- Marketing Update Beth Kuberka presented the marketing update and numbers. Year-to-date leads are 2,187. There have been 144 completed tours (288 people), discovery tours are up 13% and day tours are up 84%. There were 55 program sales through April. These are sales that can be directly tracked back to the Marketing program. Home property values are up 10%. There are 37 POA lot sales closed/pending. She also presented the TVBA Directory and Map preview. There's 79 businesses signed up to be a part of the business alliance. In early June, this program will move into the next phase in which articles will be published in the Tell-E-Gram featuring every TVBA business.
- **Finance Report** James Ivey presented the comparative financial analysis. Revenue is coming in at budget, expenses are pacing favorable to budget. There have been some lost golf days due to weather. Tank installations are at 49 instead of the 36 that we budgeted for. He also presented the fitness membership numbers. Parker Owen noted that the annual audit process is complete and we have received a clean, unqualified opinion from our audit firm, Coulter & Justus, PC. The Purchasing Policy has been re-written and will be presented for approval at this Board meeting. Parker also presented the Capital Plan Project Variances and Cash Flow Check. Three Capital Project Funding Requests were presented:
- Recreation Division Master Plan (voted 4-2, with one abstaining). It will be deferred until August with Winston tasking his department manager for Simon to look at doing this himself.
- Purchase Equipment for Kayak/Paddleboard Program No vote required.
- Replace Cardio Equipment at Wellness Center This was tabled until the June Board workshop. They requested that Simon update his request and re-submit it.
- Toqua Clubhouse Conceptual Design Board member, Tom Lee, updated us on the preliminary cost to build a new Toqua Clubhouse. However, we will not know the actual cost until we have the Architectural and Engineering design completed. Tom presented us with a conceptual design, which was accepted with a vote of 4-3. The winning bid was approved and awarded to Upland Design Group for the design work and actual cost estimates with a 4-3 vote
- **Purchasing Policy** Board member, Cap Purvis, introduced the topic to approve the rewritten Purchasing Policy. The Board approved 5-0, with two Board members who did not vote as they stepped out of the room.

If you are interested in viewing the full powerpoint presentation from the May 16th Board meeting, please visit the POA website at www.tellicovillagepoa.org and click the "Board of Directors" section.

SHOP TELLICO VILLAGE LAUNCHES

By Winston Blazer, TVPOA General Manager

This week marks the launch of Shop Tellico Village with the distribution of the Tellico Village Business Alliance's (TVBA) Business Directory and Map to all the households in the Village.

For the first time, Villagers will have information on local businesses at their fingertips. The 16-page directory features information on the 79 community businesses as well as a fold up map showing the location of all the brick and mortar enterprises in the Village.

Members of the TVBA are also listed on the TVPOA website and the group has its own page and listing on TellicoLife. Announcements promoting the Shop Tellico Village initiative have been made at New Villager and HOA socials and at last week's



HOA general meeting. The TVPOA Marketing team of Beth Kuberka, TVPOA marketing communications director and Villager members Fred Toettcher and Joe Bogardus have been promoting the endeavor on Tellico Village Broadcasting. Further, the HOA and New Villagers will continue to remind its members to Shop Tellico Village in the weeks to come.

The communications program has turned out to be the largest of its kind in the Village. It is in response to surveys conducted by the HOA in 2015 and studies undertaken by the TVPOA in 2017 and 2018. Villagers indicated they would shop more locally if they knew more about local businesses. Residents were also excited about the prospect of the convenience and service of shopping within the community.

Additional TVBA directories and maps are available at the Welcome Center. For businesses who were not included in the original directory and are interested in being part of the TVBA please contact Beth Kuberka at bethk@tvpoa.org or 865-458-7095.

And, finally Shop Tellico Village.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

TELLICO VILLAGE SINGLE BABY BOOMERS

The Tellico Village Single Baby Boomers next meeting will take place on Thursday, May 24th at the Yacht Club. Our social will begin at 5:30 pm in the Yacht Club bar. Our general meeting will start at 6 pm on the top floor of the Yacht Club. If you are single and are in the Baby Boomer generation, please feel free to attend. For more details about the Boomers feel free to visit our web page at www.tvsinglebabyboomers.com

TVCUC ANNUAL PICNIC AT TUGALOO PAVILION

The TVCUC Annual Picnic will take place on June 5th. TVCUC Members, if you have registered in TellicoLife to attend the picnic, thank you. If not, please be reminded that the last day to register is May 25th. Please log in to TellicoLife and register to join the picnic. For more information, contact Kathy Economy, TVCUC Secretary at Kathy. Economy@TVCUC.org

HOA WELCOME ORIENTATION

HOA will hold a Welcome Orientation for new villagers on Thursday, May 31st at the Yacht Club from 6:30 – 8:00 pm on the Third Level. Learn about our community and our key organizations. For more information visit: www.hoatv.org

ATTEND POA 101!

Did you just move to the Village and want to learn more about our committees, clubs, and history of Tellico Village? Come to POA 101! The next session is Wednesday, June 6th at 2 p.m. on the top floor of the Yacht Club. Attendees receive a binder full of information, contact names, resources and governing documents, along with a goody bag. The presentation lasts about an hour. RSVP to Jessica Miles at JMiles@TVPOA.org or 865-458-5408, ext. 4115. In order to prepare the correct number of printed materials, the deadline to RSVP is Friday, June 1st. We hope to see you there!

NEW VILLAGERS MONTHLY SOCIAL

The New Villagers Club holds a Social 5-6.30pm on the first Thursday of every month at Tellico Yacht Club. The next Social will be 5pm, Thursday June 7th at the Yacht Club. New members should arrive at 4.30pm. Visit the New Villagers Club website for more information at www.telliconewvillagers.com

TELLICO VILLAGE FISHING CLUB MONTHLY MEETING

The Tellico Village Fishing Club monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 from 7:00 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. at the Village Yacht Club (top floor). Club meetings feature fishing related guest speakers and discussions about various Club fishing activities and events. Visitors are welcome. For additional information, contact Club President Pete Young at 865 - 458 -1527.

TELLICO VILLAGE NATURALISTS CLUB

The Tellico Village Naturalists Club's monthly meeting will be on Monday, June 4th in Room A, Chota Recreation Center. The members' social starts at 6pm and the Program meeting starts at 6:30pm. This month's topic will be "Feathered Friends" (Overview of Birds) and there will also be a nature profile of a mystery mammal. Nature-lovers are welcome to come to the Program meeting to learn more about the club. For more information, visit www.sites.google.com/view/tvnaturalists-public or send an email to tvnaturalists@gmail.com

COMING UP AT TELLICO VILLAGE UNIVERSITY...

Complete course descriptions are found on the TVU website. You can register now for these TVU classes at www.tvuniversity.org

SocialMedia4Seniors Class Schedule at TVU

SocialMedia4Seniors is now affiliated with TVU as our computer application training provider. Registration is directly through SM4S; the link to their website for each course is found with the course description and requirements at the TVU website: www.tvuniversity.org

Payment to SM4S is made at the time of registration. Participants have expressed their appreciation for the very small classes as they get individual attention they need. Classes are filling; register now if you are able to attend. Complete descriptions and requirements for these remaining classes are found on the TVU website:

- Apple Basics. 10-12. June 28 & 29 at the Welcome Center
- Android Basics. 12:30-2:30. June 28 & 29 at the Welcome Center

UNITED WAY GOLF OUTING

Help your neighbors by joining in the United Way Golf Outing at the Rarity Bay golf course on Saturday, June 2nd. It begins with a shotgun start at 9:00 AM. The event is jointly sponsored by the Loudon and Monroe County United Way organizations and will equally benefit the fund drives of each organization.

In Loudon County, the benefits will accrue to the 32 partner agencies of the United Way. These include the TV Volunteer Fire Department, the Computer Users Club TAP, StayinTV, Iva's Place, Good Samaritan, STAR, the Boys and Girls Club of Lenoir City, the Senior Citizens Home Assistance Program, to name but a few familiar to village residents.

Teams can be all male, female or mixed. The entry fee is \$400/team. This includes all green and cart fees, gift bags with lots of goodies in them, mulligans, tees, snacks, breakfast and a luncheon. Prizes will be given for longest drives, closest to the pin, most accurate drives (individual) and team winning foursomes in all three team categories. For more information please visit the UW web site at www.unitedwayloudoncounty.org or contact Judy Fenton, Executive Director UW Loudon County at (865) 582-4082 or via email to fentonj@unitedwayknox.org

Again, take advantage of this opportunity to play a great course and at the same time help your less fortunate neighbors enjoy a better quality of life. We appreciate the support.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE COMING TO TELLICO VILLAGE

Leslie Vernick, an international speaker and best-selling author is coming to Tellico Village to headline the upcoming Women's Conference, *Relationships Matter*.

The women's conference is scheduled June 1st through June 2nd and is open to all women in the surrounding area. This will take place at the Community Church at Tellico Village (130 Chota Center). Registration is May 1st – May 31st and only \$55 per person. In June, it will be \$60 per person. To register, call 865-458-1516 and for more information, visit www.tellicochurch.com.

FREE TOUR AT FORT LOUDOUN LOCK

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nashville District and Tennessee Valley Authority invite the public for a free tour of Fort Loudoun Lock at Tennessee River mile 602.3 in Lenoir City on Saturday, June 9th. Four groups of 25 will be able to tour the facility at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m., and 12:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required for all tour guests (including minors). The deadline to register is June 1, 2018. Personal information collected during sign-up is used for security background checks. If interested, please click the link provided to sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080948a4a92eaafa7-fort

LAKE DAY 2018

Tellico Village will have it's annual Lake Day celebration on Friday, June 1st from from 11-2 at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The event is free to attend and there will be a free shuttle that runs from the Community Church to the Yacht Club and Tugaloo Beach Pavilion. There will be live music on the waterfront by J Luke, vendors, opportunities to test paddle boards and kayaks, as well as free ice cream for the first 300 people. Participating vendors this year include:

Eagle Yacht Management, River Sports Outfitters, Nautical Boat Club, Docks and More, Premier Watersports, Aquatic Weed Wizards, Loudon County Tourism, Steve's Custom Canvas, Nautical Workz, Electrolux, Jackson Mobile Marine, Uncle Lems, American Boat Center, TBart, and Frontier Kayaks. Hope to see you there!



LIBRARY CORNER

Below, you will find information about upcoming events at the Public Library of Tellico Village. If you are interested in learning more about upcoming events at the Library, contact them directly at 865-458-5199.

- Thursday, May 31, 2018, 1 6 p.m., The Public Library at Tellico Village. "Don't be a Victim" (Encore Presentation), Safety & Security seminar by Paul Nackino on physical, home, travel, automobile and cyber security. Personal protection, mental preparedness and the psychology of criminals will also be discussed. Fee of \$25 (cash or check) payable to Paul Nackino at the time of the class. Please call the library at 865-458-5199 to preregister.
- Friday, June 1, 2018, 10am 12 noon, The Public Library at Tellico Village, First Friday Meet the Author Series: Cheryl Peyton, a writer of mysteries including Six Minutes to Midnight, Murder in Margaritaville and Murder on the Rhine. There is no charge for this event.
- Wednesday, June 6, 2018, 9am 5pm, Battle of Chattanooga Tour of Chattanooga Civil War battlefields with Jim Jorgenson (JJ Tours). This will' be narrated and on a deluxe coach. Transportation to/from Chattanooga not included and there are no refunds. The Public Library at Tellico Village has flyers with detailed information or contact Jim Jorgenson at 865-458-2792. The cost is \$30 per person (for the coach). Please register at the library and pay when registering. (Checks to FOTVL)
- Thursday, June 7, 2018, 9:39-10:30am, Mike Kitchens from the Smoky Mountain Service Dogs organization will speak about their mission and the recipients of the dogs. He may bring the canine ambassador, Hooligan, to demonstrate tasks that these dogs are trained to do. There is no charge for this event at The Public Library at Tellico Village. However, please call the library at 865-458-5199 to sign up for this presentation.

The Public Library at Tellico Village will be closed Monday, May 28, 2018, Memorial Day. Regular hours Saturday, May 26, 2018, 9am - 1pm.

SMOKY MOUNTAIN SERVICE DOGS 2018 GOLF CHALLENGE

The Smoky Mountain Service Dogs 2018 Golf Challenge will be held on Saturday, June 9th at the Toqua Golf Course. The rain date is Sunday, June 10th. For more details please visit the SMSD website: www.smokymountainservicedogs.org and download the necessary registration forms or obtain copies at any Tellico Village golf clubhouse. If you would like more information as to how you can support the tournament and Smoky Mountain Service Dogs, contact Romano Sims at 571-251-1640.

UPCOMING ART GUILD EVENTS

Below are some important upcoming events for the Art Guild of Tellico Village:

Creating Dramatic Landscapes in Watercolor

Art Instructor - Kate Aubrey
June 7, 8, 9 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Chota Recreation Center - Room A
For more information see www.tellicoartguild.org or contact vermeerschci@gmail.com

TELLICO VILLAGE LIONS WRAP-UP ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL GOLF-FOR-SIGHT OUTING

On another beautiful Tellico Village spring day, 116 golfers, 29 foursomes, fanned out on the holes of the Toqua Golf Course to begin play in the 18th annual Lions Golf-for-Sight Outing. In addition to the golfers, success could be measured by the number of sponsor signs, 53 placed at various places near the clubhouse. These sponsors, who donated over \$13,000, constitute the real backbone of the financial success that the outing enjoys. Of the 53 sponsors, four were corporate sponsors donating \$1,000 each; they were Prosperity Partners Wealth Management, Tennessee Orthopedic Clinics (Drs. Cates and Ivie), Santek Waste Services, and Edward Jones, Gary Stuart CFP.

At the next donor level, Gold, \$500 donations, there were 4 sponsors including Lakeside Real Estate Group, Lawncare of East Tennessee, Provision Center for Proton Therapy and Zimmerman Wealth Management.

This financial support as well as revenue from the players themselves in the form of fees, mulligan purchases and

rent-a-pro fees add to the funds raised from this event and will enable the TV lions to continue their vision-related service projects in Loudon County. These include a program of providing free eyeglasses to indigent citizen through Health Fairs at the Good Samaritan Center as well as vision-testing in all of the county schools. A separate program, using a digital eye examination camera, is used to detect vision problems in children from several months to six years of age. In addition to these service projects, the TV Lions also make cash donations to a number of service organizations in Loudon county as well as east Tennessee.

After a great day of golf, the following emerged as the team winners. Photo #1 is the Ladies winning team consisting of (left to right) Cindy Townery, Kim Flaig, Nancy Galloway, and Ann Wellinghoff. Photo #2 is the mixed team winners Carolyn and Harold Cates, Stephen and Chelsea Brooks. The men's winners in photo #3 are Ron McDaniel, Larry Branum and (missing from the photo) Randy Bray and Dewane Roberts.







The TV Lions would like to thank all the participants and sponsors for making this outing another rousing success. We are always looking for new individuals to join their ranks and serve the community. More information can be found on the TV Lions web site at www.tellicovillage.tnlions.org or by contacting the membership chair, Lion Doris Catani at (865) 657-5059 or via email to dorisann33@gmail.com

KIWANIANS INTRODUCE NEW "ADOPT A RAPTOR" PROJECT AT LENOIR CITY SCHOOL

The entire 3rd grade class at the Lenoir City Elementary School (LCES) are now proud "parents" of a broad winged hawk named Lady Bart. The Tellico Village Kiwanis Club (www.KiwanisTellicoVillage.org) has partnered with the Smokey Mountain Raptor Center (www.SmokeyMountainRaptorCenter.org), to sponsor a one-year adoption for the class. The Raptor Center rescues sick or injured birds of prey and rehabilitates them with a goal of returning them to the wild. Natalie Mong, the director of the Raptor Center, introduced Lady Bart to the class at a program at the school, educating them about birds in the wild and about how they can help keep these birds safe. "This is a great partnership for Kiwanis. The Raptor Center program engages the students in our community about the nature around them in a very meaningful way. Meeting Lady Bart makes that very personal for the students." said Bob Bland, Chairman of Kiwanis Youth Services Committee. Mr. Don Maloney, Principal at LCES said, "without the financial support and participation of the Tellico Village Kiwanis Club, we would not be able to provide programs like the adopt a raptor program." Kiwanis members are also making housing and nesting boxes for the Center as part of our ongoing partnership. The school will receive regular updates on Lady Bart and will incorporate education on birds in the wild in their curriculum. Adoptions are available to individuals, schools and civic groups through the Raptor Center. Funds raised through adoptions assist in the medical and housing costs for the birds. Below is a photo of Natalie Mong and Lady Bart with the students.

AUDITIONS SET FOR TELLICO PLAYERS OCTOBER DRAMA, OUTSIDE MULLINGAR

Auditions for the Tellico Community Players production of Outside Mullingar will be held from 6 - 8 p.m., Thursday, June 7; 2-4 p.m., Sunday, June 10 and 6-8 p.m., Monday, June 11 at the Tellico Community Playhouse, 304 Lakeside Plaza, Tellico Village, Loudon.

Play dates are Thursday-Saturday, October 4-6 and 12-14 and Thursday-Sunday, October 11-14.

Director Dennis Loy is looking to cast two men and two women for John Patrick Shanley's play, which is set in rural Ireland and loosely based on Shanley's Irish ancestors.

Shanley presents a tale about two lifelong introverted misfit-neighbors who grow into adulthood caring for sick parents, while illustrating the many hardships of rural Irish life and the difficulties of finding one's "other half."

The roles:

- **Rosemary Muldoon**: Female, 40-49, a farmer's daughter and a "tough cookie." She deals with the realities of Irish farming as a bit of a tomboy, yet she has a romantic soul. She is single-minded, willful, patient and optimistic. She has a fervent but secret soul and plays the long-game.
- **Anthony Reilly**: Male 40-49, a shy, intense dreamer who is also dutiful and quiet. His full, yearning heart masks a subdued manner, eternally sensitive and guarded to let love into his life for fear of getting hurt.
- **Tony Reilly**: Male, 60-77. Anthony's father, a wily old Irish farmer who is cantankerous, sly, and set in his ways. He is a fixture of the Irish county-side proud, stubborn, and gruff.
- **Oeife (Efa) Muldoon**: Female, 60-77. Rosemary's mother in bad health and, when first introduced, grief-stricken because of the recent death of her husband. She is a sharp, straight-shooting "old bird" who doesn't suffer fools gladly. Weathered, opinionated, and set in her ways.

Scripts are available at the Tellico Village Library. Any questions should be directed to Dennis Loy, director (loyatty@gmail.com), or Sue Aukerman, assistant director (sue.aukerman@gmail.com)

Playwright and screenwriter Shanley won an Oscar for Best Original Screenplay for the 1988 film Moonstruck, for which Cher won Best Actress and Olympia Dukakis won Best Supporting Actress. Outside Mullingar was nominated for a Tony Award.

MEMORIAL DAY: WHERE DO ALL THE FLAGS COME FROM?

Memorial Day is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971. For this commemorative annual tribute many Americans will observe Memorial Day by visiting cemeteries or memorials. If you have visited a cemetery on or before Memorial Day you may have noticed the small flags placed near some headstones. Here locally, in the nearby cemeteries, members of the American Legion Post 256, Tellico Lake place over 400 flags on Veterans gravesites. Additionally, as a collective effort in this area, another 2,000 flags are divided and placed by other local American Legion Posts and organizations such as The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) who are also assisted by the Boy Scouts of America. Did you know? Each year on Memorial Day a national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 p.m. local time. For additional information about the American Legion contact Post 256 Commander, Vic Vickery, 423-884-6476 and visit the website: www.tellicolakepost256.org



Left to Right: American Legion Post 256 Commander, Vic Vickery and Public Relations Officer, James Patterson prepare to place American Flags on the gravesite of fellow veterans.

JIM BEAM BOURBON DINNER

RECEPTION

Basil Hayden Raspberry Lemonade

APPETIZER

Foie Gras "Pancake Stack", Crisp Benton's Bacon, Sherry Maple Syrup

Knob Creek Smoked Maple, Neat

ENTREE

Smoked Filet Mignon, Moody Blu Cheese Fondont Potatoes, Cauliflower & Pear Coleslaw, Luxardo Cherry BBQ

Knob Creek Single Barrel Luxardo Cherry Coke

DESSERT

Slow Roasted Peach Custard Brulee,
Pecan Crumble
Bookers Small Batch Bourbon, Neat
GRANDE FINALE

Jim Beam Distiller's Masterbiece, Neat

MEET & GREET WITH BRANDI FROM JIM BEAM DISTILLERY

The Blue Heron Restaurant June 12, 2018 6:30PM \$75 Plus Tax & Gratatites Seating Is Limited For This Event Reservations Please Call: (865)-458-4363

KNOXVILLE TRANSFER BAND TO PLAY TIKI NIGHT ON JUNE 1ST

On Friday, June 1st, Tiki Night will feature the Knoxville Transfer Band. This is a 7 piece horn band playing hits from Chicago, Blues Brothers, Van Morrison, Delbert McClinton and many more. Two members of the band are Villagers - get there early to get a seat and support your neighbors!





Music Monday

May 7th: Wade Hill Hilians

May 14th: Joan Lovelace

May 21st: Tennessee Sons

May 28th: John Gilmore

Live Music 6:30-8:30pm

Prime Rib & Loaded Baked Potato & FREE Small Dessert \$16

PET OF THE WEEK: MEET BAMA!

Meet "Sweet 'Bama" - a beautiful, gentle, talking hound mix looking for her new family. She is 2 years old, has lots of energy and is always ready to play with you. Bama used to be an outside dog but now she lives indoors, is crate trained and is much happier. She would do best having another dog playmate to burn up some of her energy. She has not been exposed to cats and she may be a bit "too busy" for cats and young children at this time. Older more respectful children will make great playmates. Bama has tested negative for heartworms and is on monthly preventive. Come on into the shelter to meet Bama...she's a great find! Come meet all of the dogs and cats...you're sure to find one (or two) that are perfect for you.

All animals adopted are spayed or neutered, have age appropriate vaccinations and testing, and are microchipped (with registration).

"Flea and Tick Season" is here! Did you know that fleas are not only annoying but they can also be dangerous to your pet? Fleas are more than just insects that bite and suck your pet's blood. Yes, fleas can also transmit parasites to your pet including tapeworms and heartworms! They are preventable! The most common and annoying disease caused by fleas is flea allergy dermatitis. Some dogs and cats are allergic to the flea saliva and just one bite will cause them to be miserable. Dogs and cats with flea allergies will scratch resulting in hair loss and skin lesions, even from just one flea.

The best way to prevent all of these conditions is to prevent the fleas! There are many safe and effective preventative medications available from a veterinarian, for just this purpose. Many of the supermarket/discount store/over-the-counter "preventives" are not safe and can be very dangerous. It is best to purchase from your vet. Some products also include a Heartworm preventive. These preventative medications should be used every month in Tennessee-not just in the summer months!

Do you need to add to your spring wardrobe? Check out the MCFA Thrift Store run entirely by volunteers. Clean, gently used items at great prices. Spring cleaning? Donate to the store (and the animals). Donations are greatly appreciated and are accepted Wednesday-Saturday from 10 am-3:30 pm. All proceeds go to help the homeless animals of Monroe County. It's located at 884 Englewood St. in Madisonville (next to Douglas Cherokee). Like us on Facebook for up to date sale information.

The Shelter is located at 170 Kefauver Lane in Madisonville (behind Wal-Mart). Open Tuesday-Friday from 11-4:30 and Saturdays from 11-2. The shelter is closed to the public on Sunday and Monday. TN Monroe County Animal Shelter is the official Facebook page. Call 423-442-1015 and check out all available pets on our web site at www.monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org



