

Flanary Vet Clinic Newsletter

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It is July and the dog days of summer are well underway! Let's devote this entire newsletter to our best friends!



Fun Dog Facts:

- Most popular dog names of 2024 are Luna, Bella, Charlie, Lucy, Daisy, Cooper, Bailey, Max, Sadie, Penny
- A dog's nose print is unique, much like a human fingerprint.
 - 45% of dogs in the US sleep in the same bed as their owner
 - Dogs are not color blind- they can see blue and yellow.
 - All puppies are born deaf.

- Dogs pant to cool their body temperature.
- A large breed dog's resting heart beats 60-100 times per minute, and a small breed dog's heart beats 100-140. Comparatively, a resting human heart beats 60-100 times per minute.

RABIES: It's always FATAL...Is your pet protected?



Rabies is an incurable viral disease that affects the central nervous system of almost all mammals, including cats, dogs, ferrets, and humans. Animals which can commonly carry and spread the rabies virus are coyotes, skunks, foxes, raccoons, and bats. It is spread through contact with the saliva of infected animals through bites or breaks in the skin.

Vaccinations provide your pet with a much greater resistance to rabies if they are exposed to the disease, but you must be aware that there is no cure once it occurs. For this reason, many municipalities, including the state of Kentucky, absolutely require that all pets receive a 1-year rabies vaccine annually. In addition, you will definitely have to prove that your pet is vaccinated if you ever have to travel with them – whether across the country or around the world! The state of Kentucky has had 5 Cases of Rabies so far this year!!!



TOP 10 TOXIN CALLS FOR DOGS

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| 1. Chocolate | 6. Antidepressant Medications |
| 2. Mouse & Rat Poisons | 7. Fertilizers |
| 3. Ibuprofen & Acetaminophen | 8. Grapes & Raisins |
| 4. Xylitol | 9. Decongestant Medications |
| 5. Vitamin D (in large amounts) | 10. Caffeine (pills & drinks) |

10 Most Common **TOXINS** As reported by Pet Poison Helpline **for dogs**



-  Chocolate
-  Anti-depressants
-  Mouse & Rat Poisons
-  Xylitol
-  Vitamins & Minerals
-  Human & Pet Pain Relievers
-  Caffeine Pills
-  Heart Medications
-  Acetaminophen
-  Cold & Allergy Medicines

*****FVC
Special****

July

DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!



**YEARLY VACCINATIONS:
RABIES DHLPP BORDETELLA
AND HEARTWORM TEST AND EXAM**

**JUST
\$100**

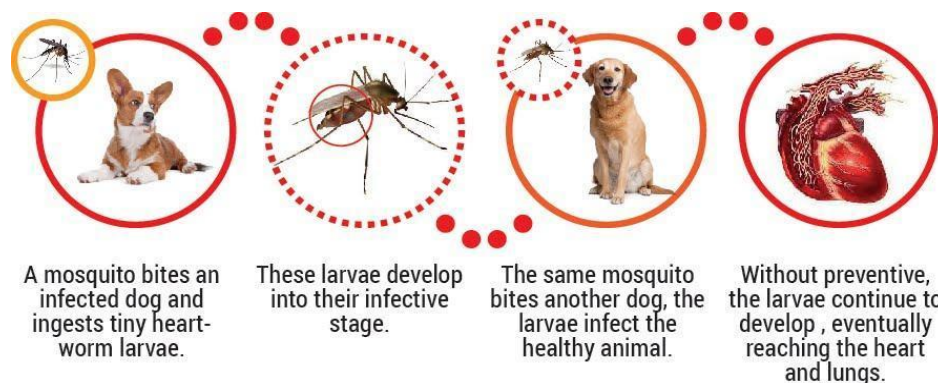


Since we are in the dog days of summer when mosquitos, ticks and fleas are out in full force, **I want to encourage everyone to use their heartworm and flea/tick prevention on their pets!**

Remember these important facts:

- Current Heartworm preventions also treat for intestinal worms – which people can get from pets
 - Even strictly indoor pets can get heartworms.

- All it takes is one mosquito to bite your pet to transmit the deadly heartworm disease.
 - “Out of sight, out of mind.” These deadly worms live in the heart, and we can’t see the damage they cause.
- Fleas carry tapeworms, the most common worm, and are also pure misery for your pets!
 - One flea bites an average of 50 times.
 - Any fur animal is a flea hotel.
- Treat all pets in your home or you are wasting your money in only treating one.
- Even inside pet’s need protection because we as humans can bring in ticks and fleas.
 - Any pet that goes outside needs protecting because fleas and ticks are everywhere!
- Ticks carry and can transmit Lyme’s Disease, Ehrlichiosis & Anaplasmosis to your pet with just one bite!
- Heartworm prevention is a prescription medication and is not sold over the counter or on the internet without a prescription from a Veterinarian.



Products we

carry and

recommend for the prevention of Heartworms and Intestinal Worms:

- Interceptor Plus -Chew- (Given Monthly) Takes care of ALL intestinal worms as well as heartworms. Don't forget, people can get intestinal worms from pets!
 - Nexgard Plus (Given Monthly)

- Proheart Injection (Given every 6 or 12 months)
- Nexgard Combo for Cats- Topical for Cats- Applied monthly.
 - Simparica Trio – Tablet (Given Monthly)
 - Credelio Quattro (Given Monthly)

Products we carry and recommend for Fleas and Ticks:

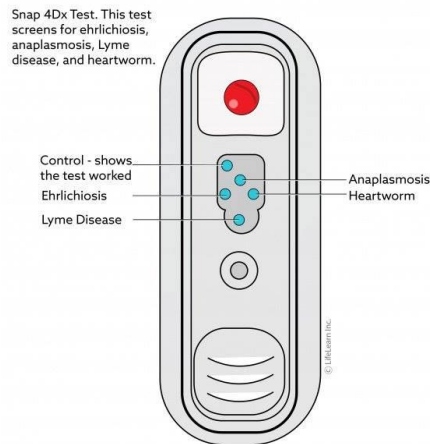


- Nexgard Topical for Cats (Administered Monthly)
- Bravecto Chewable for Dogs (Given Every 1 or 3 Months)
 - Nexgard Plus (Given Monthly)
 - Simparica Trio (Given Monthly)
- Credelio Quattro (Given Monthly)

PSA FOR PET OWNERS:

Fleas and Ticks are especially bad this year, and there has been a major increase in the spread of tick-borne diseases in pets & humans! This summer alone we are seeing at least 3 positive tests for Ehrlichia every day!

If you are unsure about your pet's status regarding tick borne disease, we can test them with our 4DX test in as little as 10 minutes.



Basic Needs of the Dog



Examination

1-2x per year to detect various health issues

Such as:

Dental Disease, Cancer, Allergies, Ear Infections, Heart Disease, and more
Senior Pet (Age 7+) should be examined 2x per year. Pets age 3 1/2 years every 6 months

Vaccinations:

Recommended to prevent Rabies, Distemper, Parvo, Hepatitis, Lepto, Parainfluenza, and Bordetella.

There are several life threatening diseases and conditions that can be prevented with proper vaccinations.

Proper Nutrition

Prevent Deficiencies, Obesity, & Maximize Health

Parasite Prevention

To prevent Fleas and Ticks, which can lead to skin infections, cause tapeworms, and Lymes's disease and lead to misery for you and your pets,

Intestinal Deworming

2-4 times per year depending on your dogs life style

if your dog is on heartworm prevention it gets dewormed for intestinal worms monthly

Flanary Vet recommends*

Bravecto for Dogs for Flea & Tick Control

Interceptor Plus for Heartworm Prevention and GI Deworming.

Spay/Neuter Procedure

Spaying or Neutering your dog will protect them from uterine infections, breast tumors, testicular cancer, prostate problems, and contributing to overpopulation

Bloodwork

Evaluates Kidney, Liver, and Gallbladder Function, and monitors for Diabetes. to help keep your pet healthy overall

Flea, Tick, Heartworm, & Intestinal Worm Prevention for Cats



Bravecto Topical for Cats

**Lasts 3 months
(Fleas & Ticks ONLY)**

**Buy 2 boxes get \$10
instant rebate**

**Buy 4 boxes get \$25
instant rebate**

Nexgard Combo for Cats (Fleas, Ticks, Heartworms, & all Intestinal Worms)

Lasts 1 month

**Buy 6 months get
\$20 instant rebate**

**Buy 12 months get
\$50 instant rebate**



Flea, Tick, & Heartworm Prevention for Dogs



Bravecto: Fleas and Ticks
Lasts 1 month or 3 months
 (Rebates not applicable on 1 month option)

Buy 2 boxes get \$10 off instantly
Buy 4 boxes get \$25 off instantly



Nexgard Plus: Fleas, Ticks, Heartworms, Roundworms, Hookworms,
Lasts 1 month
Buy 6 months get \$35 off instantly
Buy 12 months get \$105 off instantly

Interceptor Plus:

Heartworms, Roundworms, Hookworms, Whipworms, & Tapeworms

Lasts 1 month

Buy 6 months get \$6 off instantly
Buy 12 months get \$12 off instantly



ProHeart Injection: Heartworm Prevention
Lasts 6 or 12 months

Buy 6 month injection get \$5 Online Rebate
Buy 12 month injection get \$15 Online Rebate



Simparica Trio: Heartworms, fleas, ticks, roundworms, hookworms
Lasts 1 month



The FVC SPA

Family reunions, vacations, and 4th of July Celebrations are a lot of fun! Taking time out to wash the dog was not part of those plans; let them get pampered with a spa day at FVC!

Spa days include a nail trim, bubble bath, and a Bandana!

Prices are:

1-25 LB - \$35

26-50 LB - \$45

51-75 LB - \$55

76-100- \$65

100+ - \$75

ALL-AMERICAN SPA DAYS

BUBBLE BATH NAIL TRIM BANDANA

AVAILABLE EVERY TUESDAY-FRIDAY IN JULY!

**UPGRADE YOUR BATH TO
one of our SUMMER
SCENTS :**

STRAWBERRY LEMONADE
WILD BERRY
COCONUT LEMONADE
BLUEBERRY
BLACKBERRY VANILLA
PEACH
COCONUT



Boarding with FVC

YOUR PUPS ARE GOING TO HOWL IN JOY- THE FVC DOGGY POOL IS OPEN

We take pride in caring for your pet as if they were our own. You can be confident that they are receiving the care that they deserve, and you demand. And while we are making sure that they are happy and comfortable, we will also make sure that they stay healthy and safe. FVC offers cat condos and spacious dog runs, which are both climate controlled, and two outside fenced in "play areas." Pets are always supervised when outside and never allowed with other pets unless they are "family."



FLANARY VET BOARDING

270-898-9738

For all boarding reservations, when your dog boards overnight they can receive a bubble bath before going home for 20% off! Your pet also gets 1 round of play or snuggle time per day at no additional charge. To make the hardship of

PLAY TIME AVAILABLE



AMAZING TREATS



PERSONALIZED CARE



**DOG RUNS, KENNELS, CAT
CONDOS**



2 FENCED YARDS



being away from your pet a little easier we also text you a photo of your pet during their stay. We also offer TREAT TIME for just \$2 per night- Let us give your furbaby some extra lovings while you're gone- We love to spoil them! The treats can also be upgraded to our Gourmet Claudia Cuisine Cookies. To read more about our boarding facility and see photos visit www.flanaryvet.com



***PETDESK IS THE BEST**

DOWNLOAD IT TODAY! *

The graphic features a smartphone displaying the PetDesk app icon, which is a white paw print on a blue background with a purple and green circular border. To the left of the phone are three photos of pets: a golden retriever puppy, a white cat, and a brown rabbit. The text on the graphic reads: 'FLANARY VET CLINIC PetDesk App Online Pet Portal', 'Have 24/7 access to your pet's medical record, prescriptions, and more!', and the PetDesk logo. At the bottom, it provides the website 'www.flanaryvet.com' and the phone number '270-898-9738'.

PetDesk is our best way of communication and it is as easy as downloading an app onto your phone!

Through the PetDesk app you can:

- Schedule appointments
- Request medication refills
- View your pet's vaccine history
- View your pet's bloodwork results
- Direct text messaging through 270-898-9738 (and we can text you back!)
 - Send us pictures of your pets directly to 270-898-9738



Thank you for coming to our Dr. Talks....

In case you have missed them on our social media pages, Dr. Flanary is shedding some light on several topics that she wishes all her clients knew...

Grain Free Diets: Do not feed a grain free diet! The tv commercials are wrong! It causes heart problems- Medical data has proven that grain free diets cause heart issues. Your pet is not a wolf or a bobcat. And if your pet has a food allergy which is less than 10% of the allergy cases, they are allergic to the protein source (beef, chicken, lamb, pork). Grains including corn are an important part of your pet's diet. They give energy to your pet along with lots of other important needs. So do not listen to people who sell pet food on tv and want your money. Instead listen to your veterinarian who went to school and took nutrition classes.

Heartworms: Heartworms will kill your pets! Keep on prevention all year- Heartworms are spread through ONE bite from a mosquito!!! And mosquitoes are everywhere including your homes. One bit me tonight while I was on the couch. The microscopic baby heartworms grow to adult worms that are the same size as a spaghetti noodle in your right side of heart and vessels. If left untreated they will multiply and cause heart failure and DEATH!!!! This is 100 % prevented by giving a monthly prevention which also treats intestinal worms each month. And all dogs eat things and get worms which can be spread to people. Heartworm prevention is

easy to give with monthly chewable or injections that last 6 or 12 months. These are usually \$10 or less a month! That's like equivalent to one meal out a month! Treatment for heartworms is long, hard on your dog's body, and expensive.... Like \$1000. Heartworm prevention sales have declined to only 20 % of pet owners buying them, mainly because people do not see them, and do not think they are deadly to their pets! That's 80% of dogs not getting prevention and more likely to have heartworms and mosquitos can spread them more easily from pet to pet. Plus, all dogs need intestinal dewormers from time to time! Heartworm preventions are a prescription just like an antibiotic and can only be bought at your pet's veterinary clinic or with a script from your veterinarian. So, when you say you got it from Walmart - it is not heartworm prevention! Only flea and tick preventions can be bought OTC- over the counter. Buy heartworm prevention BEFORE you buy the flea and tick! Heartworms will kill your pets. And treat them with preventions for 12 months of the year. If you have any questions, feel free to ask us.

Have you heard about Hills to Home yet?!



We are excited to offer a new program by Hills- the brand that has 95 years of history & research behind their products.

The Hill's to Home program will now deliver top quality food to your door!

Call us at 270-898-9738 for details on how to get 35% off your first order.

Let me be honest, and go on my soap box for a minute...

Daily, I hear a lot of people turn down heartworm prevention for their pet. Please remember even though you cannot see heartworms, they are real and can KILL your pet! All it takes is ONE mosquito bite for them to become infected.

Also, all pets (MINE INCLUDED) eat things outside, including small dead creatures. It can happen before you even know they have done anything but eating things outside commonly infect them with worms! Did you know that most heartworm preventions also take care of Gi parasites? So, when we say heartworm prevention, it really should be called "Worm Prevention" since monthly it takes care of any worms in the heart and guts!

Lastly, I would like to ask everyone- Which vaccine do you think is the most important for the health of your pet? The most common answer we get is Rabies, which while it is important and required by law for your pet annually, there were only 15 cases in Kentucky in 2019. Do you know how many Distemper, Parvovirus, Hepatitis, or Leptospirosis cases we have seen? How about respiratory viruses in cats? Much more than 15. It's for this reason that the DHLPP or the FVRCP vaccine is what we consider the most important for your pet's health. Let us break it down for you.

Canine Distemper- A contagious and serious disease caused by a virus that attacks the respiratory, gastrointestinal, and nervous systems of puppies and dogs . Spread by wild animals (like raccoons) through respiratory droplets or a shared water/food source. How many of you have caught a racoon at your pets outside food or water bowl? Preventable with proper vaccination.

Canine Parvovirus- The virus affects dogs' gastrointestinal tracts and is spread by direct dog-to-dog contact and contact with contaminated feces (stool), environments, or people. The virus can also contaminate kennel surfaces, food and water bowls, collars and leashes, and the hands and clothing of people who handle infected dogs. It is resistant to heat, cold, humidity, and drying, and can survive in the environment for long periods of time. It can also be spread by fleas who were hosted by a contaminated dog. Preventable with proper vaccination and

flea control. Recently, we are seeing more and more positive cases of Parvo which is from pet owners not vaccinating their pets.

Feline panleukopenia- is a highly contagious viral disease of cats caused by the feline parvovirus. Kittens are most severely affected by the virus. The names feline distemper and feline parvo should not be confused with canine distemper or canine parvo— although their names are similar, they are caused by different viruses. Preventable with proper vaccination

Canine Hepatitis- Infectious canine hepatitis is caused by a virus, canine adenovirus 1. Consumption of urine, feces, or saliva from infected dogs is the most common route of infection. Recovered dogs shed virus in their urine for at least 6 months. The virus targets the lining of blood vessels, the liver, kidneys, spleen, and lungs, though other organs are occasionally involved. Long-term kidney damage and clouding of the cornea of the eye result from immune-complex reactions after recovery from the disease. Preventable with proper vaccination. Who walks their dog outside or lets it out in a yard?

Leptospirosis- Leptospirosis is an infectious disease caused by a type of bacteria. Bacteria are passed in the urine or open wounds of infected animals and can survive in the environment for long periods of time in warm, stagnant water or moist soil. Wild animals, including skunks, raccoons, opossums, rats, wolves, and deer, can spread infection to dogs. Preventable with proper vaccination. Whose dogs drink out of water puddles?

As you can see, your dog's DHLPP/DHPP and cat's FVRCP vaccine are the MOST IMPORTANT to their health and safety! Call or PetDesk us for an appointment to get your pet vaccinated against these deadly diseases.

We hope this was informative and helpful to you so you can make the best decisions for your pet's wellbeing in the future! We hope you have a great July and stay safe!

LaNita S. Flanary DVM

****No Show Policy****

At Flanary Veterinary Clinic, we strive to provide the best possible care for your pets. To ensure that we can accommodate all our clients and their pets' needs, we have implemented a No-Show Policy effective May 1, 2025.

****Policy Details:****

1. ****Definition of No Show****: A no-show occurs when a client fails to attend a scheduled appointment without prior notice.
2. ****Cancellation Notice****: We kindly ask that you provide at least 24 hours' notice if you need to cancel or reschedule your appointment. This allows us to offer the time slot to another pet in need.
3. ****Consequences of No Show****:
 - First No Show: A friendly reminder of our policy will be issued.
 - Second No Show: A reminder that any future appointments will require deposits
 - Third No Show: Future appointments will require prepayment of \$50.00 to be deducted from your appointment balance. If you do not show to this appointment the \$50.00 is non-refundable.
4. ****Exceptions****: We understand that emergencies happen. If you have a legitimate reason for missing an appointment, please contact us as soon as possible to discuss it.
5. ****Commitment to Care****: Our priority is providing care for all pets. This policy helps us manage our schedules effectively and ensure that

every pet receives timely attention. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.

****IN HOME EUTHANASIA APPOINTMENTS****

We understand that saying goodbye to a beloved pet is one of the most challenging times in life. With three veterinarians now on staff, we are honored to offer in-home euthanasia services to provide comfort and dignity for your pet in a familiar environment. This compassionate option allows you to be with your pet in a peaceful setting, surrounded by love during their final moments. If you are interested in learning more about this service and its associated costs, please call the clinic. Our team is here to support you through this difficult journey and answer any questions you may have.

****IN HOME WELLNESS APPOINTMENTS****

We are excited to announce that, in addition to our in-home euthanasia services, we will now also be offering in-home wellness examinations and vaccinations for your beloved pets. Having witnessed the challenges my own parents faced in managing their pets' health, I understand the importance of providing care in a familiar and comfortable environment. This service is designed to help pets who may struggle to make it to the clinic or for pet owners who have multiple pets to care for. In-home wellness appointments will be available on the first and third Fridays of every month. Please note that an additional fee will be charged for in-home veterinary care. If you would like more details or to schedule an appointment, please call the clinic. We are here to support you and your pets in any way we can.

****FARM ANIMAL HERD HEALTH EXAMINATIONS****

We are pleased to announce that our clinic is now offering Large Animal Herd Health Visits directly to your farm! This service is

designed to help you make informed decisions regarding the health and well-being of your farm animals.

By bringing our veterinary expertise to your location, we can conduct thorough assessments and provide tailored recommendations for your herd. Additionally, this allows us to prescribe the correct medications if the need arises, ensuring that your animals receive the best possible care. If you are interested in scheduling a herd health visit or would like more information about this service, please contact our clinic. We look forward to supporting you and your farm animals!

****IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING ONLINE PHARMACY****

We would like to take a moment to clarify our relationship with the third-party internet store associated with our clinic. While we provide this service to help you access veterinary medications that may not be in our inventory, please note the following important points:

- 1. Third-Party Store:** The online pharmacy is independently managed and does not fall under our ownership or management. Any emails you receive that appear to be from our clinic are actually generated by the third-party store.
- 2. Pricing Information:** We want to highlight that for heartworm and flea and tick prevention medications, our in-clinic pharmacy often offers more competitive pricing than the online store. We encourage you to compare prices and consider purchasing these products directly from us for the best value.
- 3. Medication Availability:** The online store serves as a convenient option for medications that we may not carry in our clinic. However, we recommend reaching out to us directly if you have questions about specific medications or if you need assistance.

****SAME-DAY, WALK-IN, & EMERGENCY APPOINTMENTS****

We are proud to be one of the few clinics in town that accepts same-day appointments for pets who are sick or injured. Your pet's health is our top priority, and we want to ensure that they receive timely care when they need it most.

In addition to same-day appointments, we also welcome walk-ins and emergency cases. However, we kindly ask for your understanding regarding a small additional fee that may be applied to your exam if your visit requires the clinic to stay late to care for your pet. This fee helps us manage our scheduling and maintain the quality of care we strive to provide. If you have any questions about this policy or need assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.

****Update on In Clinic Or Curbside Appointments****

We appreciate your continued trust in us to care for your pets. As a reminder, our clinic currently operates with three examination rooms, which we maximize to accommodate all our scheduled appointments and discharges.

To ensure we provide the best care possible, we may sometimes need to take your pet to the back for diagnostics and examination if all examination rooms are occupied. Please rest assured that a veterinarian will always communicate with you about your pet's health and address any questions you may have.

Additionally, we offer curbside appointments for clients who may be injured, unwell, or those who have multiple pets to bring in at the same time. Or for mothers with a pet and small children. This option allows us to provide a more comfortable experience for everyone involved. In some cases, pets may also do better during their visit without their owners present.

We appreciate your understanding and patience as we navigate our in-clinic appointments, drop-off procedures, and curbside services.

Our goal is to ensure that every patient receives the necessary care while accommodating all our clients' needs.

EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS CALL

Lots of people are asking about what to do if their pet has an emergency after hours. It's simple! Just call our clinic at 270-898-9738 and listen to the message. At the end of message, hold on the line and an answering service representative will talk to you and forward you to the veterinarian on call.

Flanary Veterinary Clinic, Paducah Veterinary Clinic, Coffee Memorial Animal Clinic, Progressive Animal Clinic and River's Edge Veterinary Clinic have joined in a partnership to see all of **OUR** clients for emergencies here **LOCALLY**. We are **NOT** referring pets to Clarksville/Nashville unless your pet has a condition that is best treated there.



