

Flanary Vet Clinic Newsletter

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March is here and hopefully spring is on it's way! Spring is my favorite time of the year. I love the rebirth of the world with flowering trees, green grass, warmer temperatures, and of course baby farm animals. However, with all of these comes the rebirth of those pesky parasites – fleas, ticks, intestinal worms and of course there is always the threat of heartworms! In the past several years, we have noticed a significant increase in positive heartworm patients, and this is because of the decline in the number of pets that are on heartworm preventative. When asked we commonly hear clients tell us that they bought the heartworm preventative at Wal-Mart or the internet. **The truth is heartworm preventative of all kinds are a “prescribed” drug which means they are only available through your veterinarian or a legal pharmacy such as Petmeds or Chewy with a prescription for your pet from your veterinarian. So, in short, heartworm preventative cannot be bought over the counter or from another pharmacy without approval.** They can be bought on Petmeds and other pharmacies; however, you must have a prescription from your veterinarian. On the other hand, flea and tick preventatives can be bought over the counter at Walmart and on the internet without a prescription. Even though from these places, there is no guarantee they will work or not harm your pet, but there is always a guarantee on the products sold at the vet clinic.



After having this happen multiple times, I realize everyone is confused about what products are used for preventing what parasites and I completely understand! There are hundreds of products out there on the market today and even I must look up some of the generic flea and tick products to know about them! The worst part is that people think they are protecting their fur babies from “deadly” heartworms when actually they are just preventing fleas and ticks, but they don’t know it since heartworms are inside the body and can’t be seen!

So, to help everyone out and make sure our fur babies are properly protected; here is a simple cheat sheet from Dr. Flanary.

- **Fleas** are external parasites that jump from one host to another. One bite from a single flea, your pet will become itchy. An overload of fleas on an animal can lead to anemia. Fleas also transmit tapeworms.
- **Ticks** are another external parasite. Disease-carrying ticks pose health risks to dogs and people, no matter where you live. Ticks can transmit Lyme disease, Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Ehrlichiosis. This infection is **VERYCOMMON** in our area
- **Heartworms** are internal parasites. Heartworms are carried by mosquitoes and spread to dogs when bitten by the mosquitos. Dogs will not show signs until late in the course of the disease. Heartworms are fatal if left untreated
- **Roundworms, Whipworms and Hookworms** are internal parasites that live in the GI tract. They are transmitted by contact with the feces of infected animals or from a mother to offspring. An overload of worms can cause diarrhea, anemia and loss of body condition.
- **Tapeworms** are internal parasites that live in the GI tract. They are transmitted by ingestion of a flea or ingestion of dead small animal’s carcasses such as mice. While no signs may be present some pets can have diarrhea, weight loss or poor body condition.



There are so many products on the market currently and it can be confusing on which product is best for your pet.

Here is a simple chart on the products we carry.



* = covers

	Credelio (Cats)	Bravecto (Cats)	Bravecto (Dogs)	Trifexis Dogs	InterceptorPlus Dogs	Proheart Injection Dogs
Roundworm		*		*	*	
Hookworm		*		*	*	
Tapeworm					*	
Whipworm				*	*	
Fleas	*	*	*	*		
Ticks	*	*	*			
Heartworm		*		*	*	*
Lasts # of Months	1	2	1 or 3	1	1	6 or 12
Form	Chewable	Topical	Chewable	Chewable	Chewable	Injection

***Heartworm Tests during March are only \$10 – If your dog has been off Heartworm Prevention for over 2 months please get them tested before starting back.**



MARCH SPECIALS



Additional Rebates
Instant Savings
On Your Pets Prevention

Bravecto Plus for Cats



Bravecto for Dogs

BRAVECTO

Buy 6 months get \$10 off PLUS a \$10 instant rebate **(TOTAL \$20 OFF)**

Buy 12 months get \$25 off PLUS a \$20 instant rebate **(TOTAL \$45)**

(Product must be purchased under the same pet for rebate to apply)

INTERCEPTOR PLUS

Buy 6 months get \$6 online rebate & a \$4 instant rebate

Buy 12 months get \$15 off instantly or \$15 online rebate

TRIFEXIS

Buy 6 months get \$20 online rebate

FVC Boarding Suite



With spring coming so will Spring Break!

We would love to have your pet stay with us! All pets get expert care, multiple walks, medications (if needed), and access to a large play yard, with Play time or Snuggle time included in every stay! Our boarding suite has full heating and air units to keep all pets comfy no matter the temperatures outside, and to make the hardship of being away from your pet a little easier we offer the option of texting you a photo of your pet once during their stay with FVC for no additional charge. Pets that board overnight can receive a 20% discount on a bubble bath, and we also offer TREAT TIME for just \$1 per night. Let us give your furbaby some extra loving's while you're gone! We love to spoil them with extra treats and attention. The treats can also be upgraded to our Gourmet Claudia Cuisine Cookies or Pupmuffins Bakery Treats!



FLANARY VET COOKIE SHEET

CARROT COOKIE:
\$1.25



PASTEL BUNNIES:
\$1.25



ASK ABOUT OUR \$5 COOKIE BUNDLE!

CONFETTI CUPCAKE
\$1.00



FLANARY VET COOKIE
LARGE \$1.25 MINI: \$0.50



BACON HEART COOKIE:
\$0.75



PEANUT BUTTER COOKIE:
\$0.75



GOOBERS:
\$1.00



Did you know that you can add on procedures to your pets stay such as a dental cleaning or laser treatment? Ask about these services when calling for a reservation.

From the FVC Spa

Get your pet ready for spring and smelling fresh!

FLANARY VET SPA DAYS



Nail trim, Bubble Bath, Bandana, and more!

270-898-9738

PetDesk App: Flanary Vet Clinic

Basic Spa Day Packages

Nail trim, bubble bath, and bandana

Upgrade Services Available

Scented shampoo, conditioning treatments, blow out and extra brushing, accessories, ear cleaning, anal gland expressions, sanitary area shaves, paw pad hair trim, and ear hair plucking.

Basic Spa Day price list:

1-25lbs - \$25; 26-50lbs -\$35; 51-75lbs -\$45; 75lbs & up -\$55

Upcoming Spa Days:

Every Tuesday through Friday in March!



Get Social



Do you love seeing adorable pet pictures, getting the latest pet health news, & being the first to know about specials at FVC? Then join Flanary Vet Clinic on Facebook and Instagram!



Life on the Farm

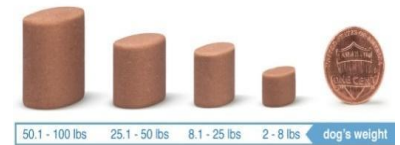
Before long Flanary's Keepsake Farm will have some Nigerian Dwarf kids, Miniature Jersey calves, and Miniature Zebu calves arriving. We can't wait to see the new little ones playing on the farm this spring!! Watch all the fun on her farm Facebook page.



Dr. Flanary's Picks:



Interceptor Plus – one chew, once a month, protects your dog against **ALL** five common parasites.



The five parasites are Heartworms, Hookworms, Roundworms, Whipworms & Tapeworms. It is a small chicken flavored chew!

Dogs can easily pick up intestinal worms and we don't know it. This protects your dogs and your family.

I think this product is amazing because it protects against **ALL** intestinal worms as well as Heartworms!!! No more deworming your pets for tapeworms! Pair with Bravecto to prevent fleas & ticks and your pet is fully protected! It costs \$37 to deworm a 50 lb dog for JUST tapeworms, but Interceptor which takes care of ALL worms is \$50 for 6 months!!

If your pet is not on heartworm prevention, please stop by with your pet for a heartworm test. **It is only \$10 this month** and only takes about 5 minutes. Heartworms will kill your pets but are 100% preventable!!! People forget about them because they don't see them on or from their pets, but they are most important! So come see us today! Please take advantage of our parasite prevention specials this month. **WE WON'T HAVE DEALS LIKE THIS FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR!** Now is the time to stock up! Ask us what the best and most economical choice for your pet is and we will lead you in the right direction.

Let us break it down for you...

(with \$6 rebate applied)

- \$35 for 6 months 1-8 lbs(\$5.83 a month)
 - \$36 for 6 months 8-25 lbs (\$6.00 a month)
 - \$44 for 6 months 26-50 lbs (\$7.33 a month)
 - \$54 for 6 months 50-100 lbs (\$9.00 a month)
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NEW PET PRODUCT ALERT:

Solensia™
(frunevetmab injection)

Solensia™ -Once a month Injection arthritis management option for our feline friends! Meet my

19-year-old barn kitty Mickey Mouser, he had been having severe issues with arthritis, until I tried this new arthritis injection and even in this cold weather he is moving well around the cow lot!



PET SERVICES ALERT

DID YOU KNOW... that we are one of the few- if not the only- clinic in the Western Kentucky Area that offers **BOTH** Endoscopy & Ultrasonography? Dr. Kayla Ferrell DVM has brought the skills & knowledge to utilize both instruments for the betterment of her patients to FVC. With the advantage of having both instruments in-house we can provide better diagnostics for our patients

and provide our clients with answers to problems & questions in regard to their pets' health. Dr. Ferrell is a key example of what can be accomplished when you take education & training from one of the best veterinary schools in the country and apply it. We are so glad that she has returned home to us here at Flanary Veterinary Clinic & has made the commitment to help the residents of her hometown & their pets!



In- Clinic & Curbside Update!

- If you have a **Curbside Appt** please **CALL** the clinic to check in- Someone will come to your vehicle after you are checked in.
- If you have an **In-Clinic Appointment**, please **COME INSIDE** to check in & then take a seat in the lobby
- If you are dropping your pet off for boarding, you must check in your pet by 4:30 pm on Monday- Friday or 11:30 am on Saturday. A drop off fee will be charged for any check in's done past these times.
- When scheduling your appointment please make your preference known for In-Clinic, Curbside, or Drop Off.
- If you are a new client or are bringing a new pet you can save time by filling out the new client/patient form located on your PetDesk app or our website! Please submit online or bring with you to your appointment.
- Please return all laminated sheets to a staff member before leaving.

Thank you!



With a heavy heart I must let everyone know that I had to send my little Fancy Foo Foo to heaven. After a month of her appetite dwindling to nothing and me performing every diagnostic test at my disposal, it was confirmed she had GI lymphoma- which is no way to have to live. After losing Bitsy, it was Fancy who filled my heart with love and taught me that you can love again!!!! She also taught me two kids are never the same but that each have their own unique personalities that make each of them their own being and unforgettable in our lives. Fancy was a Diva and she lived up to her name!! I saw one baby picture of her and knew she was the one and what her name would be. She loved to pose for the camera and loved all the attention she ever received! She was a tiny fluff ball of pure sass!!! I cannot count how many times she ran out of my office barking away at any unruly patient and when

I pointed my finger for her to go back to her room, she would always go but never failed to stop, look back at me and have the last bark before she pranced on. She was the Boss over her fur sisters of all sizes- not sure who she got that trait from. She was also the best snuggler and we slept in together any chance we got. She literally licked my tears away as I held her in my arms tight and cried through losing both my parents. For any of you who have pets you understand when I say.... She was simply my baby!!!! I am blessed to see every day the love pets give us unconditionally. I am in awe of their unique ability to bring us joy!! And I am grateful to be a vet and have the honor to help others keep their fur kids healthy and in their lives. However, today I am just a Mama with a broken heart. My Mama use to say that all the pain we felt when we lost our pets was equal to all the love they had given us. So true but at least I know because of Fancy, I can and will love another one again.

With Care,

LaNita S. Flanary DVM

In Loving Memory of Fancy Foo Foo

“The Boss”

