

COMMON GROUND

A Newsletter Celebrating Neighborhoods

ANIMAL SERVICES Campaign Picks Up Steam

REDUCING ANIMAL OVERPOPULATION COMMUNITY-WIDE...

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This Spring, the Animal Services Division is reducing animal overpopulation through a focused sterilization campaign.

You've seen the billboards all over town, perhaps heard about it on the radio too. The NSD is offering free spay and neuter surgeries for your pet. By altering your pet, you are effectively reduc-

ing animal overpopulation.

According to Mark Kleiner, special projects coordinator for the NSD, participating in the program is as easy as making a phone call. "Just call Animal Services at 643-5241 to request a **spay/neuter voucher**. The voucher can be used at participating veterinarian clinics throughout the



The Animal Services Team: reducing animal overpopulation!

panic. "If you can't get a voucher, you'll still be able to alter your pet by signing up to get on the **spay-mobile**."

The spay-mobile is a mobile surgery vehicle that goes out to low-income communities where people may not have the resources or adequate transportation to get out to the veterinary clinic. **(cont.pg4)**

STOP THE KILLING.
SPAY AND NEUTER YOUR PETS FOR FREE.

Chattanooga Animal Services Division
643-5241

area. "Mr. Kleiner added that if you are not able to secure a voucher, don't

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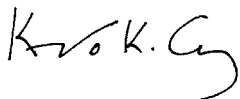
Letter from the Administrator

Dear Neighbor,

Spring is in the air! The long-awaited projects around the house are finally getting started, and at the Neighborhood Services Department, our team is focusing on developing **stewardship** in communities across the city.

Building on this quality of stewardship raises neighborhood pride. We see this in the great programs that we've launched this month. We're empowering citizens to aid our code enforcement efforts, congratulating local, grassroots beautification efforts in Chattanooga, and raising awareness of the ill-effects of animal overpopulation in our streets, as well as the benefit of altering our pets.

Our NSD team is excited about effecting positive change not only in our physical community, but in people as well. We'll see you out in the neighborhood...

Sincerely,  Administrator



Scenic Cities Beautiful, *grassroots* beautification

SCBC was chartered in 1962 and was the key organization that initiated the first downtown tree planting in 1966 on Broad Street. It was the first organization in the state of Tennessee to become a Keep America Beautiful, Inc. affiliate in 1977.

Over the years it has won many na-

'Building relationships within the community is ongoing and cleanups take place year around...'

tional, state and local awards for it's achievements including the

TDEC TN Local Government Environmental Stewardship Award, TDOT / Keep TN Beautiful Award of Excellence for Litter and Solid Waste Education in 2000 & 2004, Keep America Beautiful, Inc. President's Circle Recognition

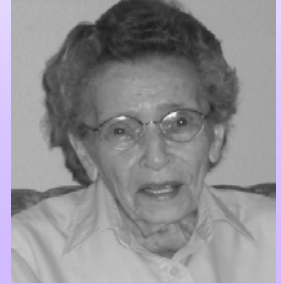
Award for standards of excellence achieved by

the affiliate for 2003 & 2004.

SCBC is the local leader of the national Great American Cleanup, a Keep America Beautiful, Inc. annual call to action for communities . This agency works tirelessly with neighborhoods to engage individuals to take greater responsibility for improving the communities' environment. Please call Ms. Jeanette Eigelsbach, Director of SCBC at 423-757-0061.

Happy 100th Birthday!!!

The Neighborhood Services Department would like to wish Ms. Gertrude White, of South Brainerd Neighborhood a very happy birthday. She turns 100 on March 15th.



Chartered in 1962, Scenic Cities Beautiful implemented the first downtown tree planting!

Community Awareness Notification Program Empowering citizens to action: Building neighborhood PRIDE...

This spring, a new NSD program has been designed to empower neighborhood organizations across the city to address substandard, problem properties that are having negative impacts on their communities.

The CAN, or Community Access Notification program is being launched on March 1st to give a voice to neighborhood groups by allowing citizens to actively involve themselves in the enforcement process.

Similar programs currently exist in Fort Worth, TX and Nashville, TN. Codes officials in

both of those cities have been impressed with the effectiveness of the citizen's involvement.

Problem properties are being brought into compliance.

In early 2005, the NSD selected two "pilot" neighborhoods as a testing ground

for the program. Inspectors were extremely encouraged by the results.

Under the program guidelines, neighbors are encour-

aged to work in teams of two to identify unsightly properties. Using the informative GIS mapping system that is



Lead Inspector Randy Ridge uses the G.I.S. system to look up property ownership info...

accessible through the City of Chattanooga web page, citizens can obtain property ownership information that is filled out on a form

provided by NSD staff. Property owners are then mailed a notice of violation by NSD with the neighborhood organizations name displayed prominently. If the prop-

erty remains in a sub-standard condition

after the notice, an NSD inspector will then take the enforcement action to the next level, possibly citing the property owner to city court.

To participate in the C.A.N. program, a neighborhood organization simply needs volunteers to participate, as well as a computer with internet access to obtain property ownership information. If your neighborhood organization is interested in participating in the C.A.N. program, call your Neighborhood Relations Coordinator or Randy Ridge at 425-3700.

C.N.A.C... Aggressive plans for Pursuing Grants, ready to work with new Mayor...

By: Bob Graham, President

CNAC's January meeting was very well attended. Among the topics discussed was the upcoming City election. Two of the may-



CNAC President Bob Graham accepting a NSD grant...

Council positions, CNAC wants to be very involved in decisions re-

participate at our monthly meetings (4th Monday each month, 1270 Market St. (Community Foundation)).

We also plan to become very aggressive in pursuing grants/donations to assist in resolving home repair problems for needy resi-

dents. Please join us as we strive to improve the quality of life for all of our beautiful City's residents.

Regarding neighborhood needs, issues, and concerns. We need all of the City's 170+ neighborhood associations to attend and par-

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Regardless of who is elected to either the Mayor or City

For more information, please call CNAC president Bob Graham at 423-629-8827.

Upcoming Events

March:

- 5 "CAN" Community Awareness Notification kick-Off
- 22 Clifton Hills and East Lake Neighborhood Court East Lake Recreation Center 6:00p.m.
- 25 City Offices Closed
- 27 Easter Sunday
- 28 CNAC Meeting Community Foundation 6:00 p.m.
- 30-31 SpayMobile arrives at Animal Services Div. Call 643-5241

April:

- 2 Great American Cleanup Kick-Off Contact Scenic Cities Beautiful 757-0061
- 3 Daylight Savings begins
- 25 CNAC Meeting Community Foundation 6:00 p.m.
- 26 Ridgedale and Oak Grove Neighborhood Court, @ Oak Grove Baptist Church 6:00p.m.
- 27-28 SpayMobile arrives at Animal Services Div. Call 643-5241

Neighborhood Talk

Mornings, 9:00-9:30am
WNOO, 1260AM -Heritage Radio

Tuesday

TUNE IN!!!

Visit participating VETS near you for FREE Pet Alterations!

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Spay neuter program**

There's no excuse to put off spaying or neutering your pet anymore. The NSD is providing FREE alterations at the following locations!:

Riverview Animal Hospital
1306 Dorchester Road
Chattanooga, TN 37405
(423) 756-6011

Lee Pkwy Veterinary Clinic
116 Lee Parkway Drive
Chattanooga, TN 37421
(423) 892-2219

Ashland Terrace Animal Hospital
907 Ashland Terrace
Chattanooga, TN 37415
(423) 877-4576

Middle Valley Animal Hospital
6310 Hixson Pike
Hixson, TN 37343
(423) 842-6758

East Brainerd Animal Hospital
8488 East Brainerd Road
Chattanooga, TN 37421
(423) 894-0028

Animal Clinic, Inc.
2223 East 23rd Street
Chattanooga, TN 37407
(423) 698-2401

Shallowford Animal Hospital
6200 Shallowford Road
Chattanooga, TN 37421
(423) 892-6071

East Ridge Animal Hospital
3702 Ringgold Road
East Ridge, TN 37412
(423) 622-2209

Tyree Veterinary Services
12131 Prism Trail
Harrison, TN 37341
(423) 326-1000

Wolfever Pet Hospital
6225 Highway 58
Harrison, TN 37341
(423) 344-1913

Signal Mountain Veterinary Clinic
903 Ladder Trail
Signal Mountain, TN 37377
(423) 885-7303

Animal Hospital of Signal Mountain
1801 Taft Highway
Signal Mountain, TN 37377
(423) 886-7387

The spay-mobile will be coming on March 30th. The first visit will be at Animal Services offices on Amnicola, across from the Police Dept. Please call **643-5241** to sign up.

SPAYMOBILE DATE:

MARCH 30-31

**CALL
ANIMAL SERVICES
643-5241**

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