

# THE RECYCLER

Newsletter of Recycle Rutherford, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

Spring 2019

## Energy Conservation and Efficiency in the Home

### Meeting Location:

**Heritage Center, 225 West College St.  
Monday, April 22, 2019, 7:00 p.m.**

Recycle Rutherford invites members and the public to celebrate Earth Day 2019 by attending a program on “Energy Conservation and Efficiency in the Home.” Presented by **Katie McKee, who is energy advisor at Murfreesboro Electric Department**, the program will include practical tips and information on **reducing the use of electricity in the home.**

This year the actual date of Earth Day falls on the day of Recycle Rutherford’s annual meeting. Please see page 4 of this newsletter for information on the community celebration of Earth Day.

McKee holds a B.S. degree in Environmental Science and Technology from Middle Tennessee State University. She joined Murfreesboro Electric Department in 2015. As energy advisor, she coordinates the eScore and Energy Right programs from TVA and assists customers with understanding their electricity use.

“My goal is to educate customers and help them live in a healthy and energy efficient home,” says McKee. Since the impetus for the first Earth Day on April 22, 1970, sprang from a concern for assuring that people live in a healthy, sustainable environment, a program on **conserving resources is key** to that effort, which is more important than ever today.

**The public is invited to this informative meeting.** The location is easily accessible on the ground level of the Heritage Center, located less than a block off the Public Square, just down College St. behind Marina’s restaurant. There is plenty of parking in the Pinnacle Bank lot just across College Street.

### What Will Happen When the Landfill Closes?

This is the question facing the county’s elected officials and citizens as the space in Middle Point Landfill runs out. Estimates vary, but it seems clear that the county has less than ten years to develop and implement a solution. Recycle Rutherford invited other environmental organizations to attend its March board

meeting to share ideas and concerns. All agreed that citizen input is an important part of the process.

Recycle Rutherford’s board has discussed and worked on drafting a statement summing up our recommendations. However, it is difficult to know what specific processes will best serve the county. We do commend the county for seeking information about what is being done in other places. **We also urge the county to seek input from citizens.**

### An Opportunity to Learn:

**Mayors Bill Ketron and Shane McFarland will participate in a community meeting organized by Steve Baughman on Tuesday, April 9, 6:30-8 p.m., at Patterson Park Community Center, 521 Mercury Blvd.**

Recycle Rutherford is dedicated to creating and promoting public participation in programs and activities which recognize the necessity and make it possible to conserve resources through waste reduction and the reuse and recycling of materials. **Our recommendations will be based on conserving natural resources and having the least detrimental impact on our environment.** We recognize that it is the responsibility of people today to undo some of the wrongs of the past and assure that future generations have a healthy and sustainable environment. Based on this, we will recommend that any plan considers and includes recycling and composting as major components in a multi-faceted approach to the problem. Looking at programs elsewhere, we will recommend the capture of recyclables as early as possible in the processes so that materials retain maximum value and marketability.

**Recycle Rutherford urges cooperation of all governmental entities:** the county itself and the four municipalities—Murfreesboro, Smyrna, LaVergne, and Eagleville—to seek the most sustainable and feasible solutions in making necessary changes in solid waste disposal. No doubt the solution will be expensive, especially initially. To achieve a viable solution will require looking beyond current concerns and focusing on what will be best for the whole county in the future.

What are your thoughts and suggestions for the county? Would you like to see a summary of the plans the county is considering? Do you know of a process the county should consider? The best way to be a part of the solution is to contact your elected officials and urge them to seek input and consider all options. Contact information is inside. **Attend the April 9 community meeting.**

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Recycle Rutherford Membership Form

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Please make check payable and mail to Recycle Rutherford, P.O. Box 1804, Murfreesboro, TN 37133-1804

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### Celebrate Earth Day April 27

Make sure to come out to Murfreesboro's Annual Earth Day Festival on Saturday, April 27, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Murfreesboro's Historic Public Square. Sponsored by Murfreesboro Electric Department, this year's **theme is "S.O.S. Save Our Species: Protect, Don't Neglect Tennessee Wildlife."**

A variety of booths with many activities highlight the free event. **Recycle Rutherford will have a booth and is seeking volunteers.** If you are interested in volunteering, go to our website at [www.recyclerutherford.org](http://www.recyclerutherford.org) and complete the contact information.

There is a poster contest sponsored by Murfreesboro Water Resource Department and Rutherford County Solid Waste Department. The poster design should reflect the theme and is open to any student in Murfreesboro City, Rutherford County, private, or home schools. For more information, go to <http://www.cityschools.net/2019-earth-day>

### Dates to Remember

#### Community Meeting on Solid Waste

Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Patterson Park Community Center  
521 Mercury Blvd, Murfreesboro

#### Spring Meeting—Recycle Rutherford:

Monday, April 22, 2019, 7:00 p.m.  
Heritage Center, 225 W. College  
Program: Energy Conservation and Efficiency in the Home

#### Earth Day Celebration

Saturday, April 27, 2019, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Murfreesboro's Historic Public Square

### 2018-20 Officers and Board

*Recycle Rutherford holds elections each April at the annual meeting; in general, officers and part of the board are elected in even years for two-year terms, and approximately half the board is elected in uneven years, providing for staggered terms.*

*The officers are listed below with the board members, who are elected each April and serve staggered terms. The date indicates when the term of each ends. The board meets monthly on first Mondays at 6:15 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 210 N. Spring Street.*

Rachel Cornett, president  
Bonnie Black, vice president  
Suma Clark, secretary  
Rick Racker, treasurer  
Glenn Himebaugh, past president

#### Board Members:

Linda Hardyman, 2020

**Reminder: To renew your membership, please see the form on page 3. Dues are only \$25 per year. We don't want to lose you!**

**For more information, go to [www.recyclerutherford.org](http://www.recyclerutherford.org)**

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