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### **Spring chickens and Murfree Spring featured in March ‘Adventures in Murphry’s Burrow’**

**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** – Spring is about to spring and so is the meaning of the word on “Adventures in Murphry’s Burrow.” MTSU instructor of agriculture Alanna Vaught and Karyn Knecht of the Discovery Center are the featured guests in the newest edition of “Adventures in Murphry’s Burrow” on CityTV. Murph talks with Vaught and her son, J.B. about raising chickens. As Murph says, “It’s something to get “egg-cited” about.

Murph also visits the Discovery Center to talk with Karyn Knecht about underground springs and aquifers like the one that springs water from underneath the Discovery Center. The March 2016 episode of “Adventures in Murphry’s Burrow” is also available on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/AiT1RcuPvbY>. When you’re with Murph in the Burrow, its one big adventure after another.

Vaught is an instructor in the MTSU School of Agribusiness and Agriscience. Knecht is camp coordinator at the Discovery Center <http://explorethcdc.org/>.

This month’s show features:

- The 21-day cycle of how baby chicks are born; either under a hen or a heat lamp.
- Learn what the four letters in 4-H represent.
- Learn about multi-meaning words such as the word “spring.”
- Visit the natural Murfree Spring at the Discovery Center to learn about springs and aquifers as well as the lily pad used to teach children and adults about plants and animals that live under water.
- Watch Karen Knecht test water for Ph to see whether it has the proper alkaline.
- And join Murph in making a spring with a paper clip and a coil with construction paper.

You can also watch “Murphry’s Burrow” anytime online on the City’s website at [www.murfreesborotn.gov/murph](http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/murph) or watch CityTV (AT&T Uverse Channel 99/Comcast Xfinity in Murfreesboro on Channel 3) Sun., Mon., Wed., Sat. at 9:00 a.m.; Monday – Friday at 3:30

p.m.; Saturday and Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Past episodes can be viewed at our You Tube channel at [www.youtube.com/cityofmurfreesboro](http://www.youtube.com/cityofmurfreesboro).

Murph is an inquisitive rabbit who visits unique and interesting people and places in Murfreesboro and interviews guests that visit his burrow. "Adventures in Murphry's Burrow," is created by producer-writer Nancy Phillips. The program is directed and edited by CityTV's John Padgett in the City of Murfreesboro Communications Department.

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**Photo caption:** *Murph learns about Spring chickens and other meanings of the word spring..*

*1. L/R Murph & baby chicks.jpeg.*