

Have You Lost or Found an Animal?

We often find ourselves in the situation where a treasured family pet has decided to check out the nearby neighborhood without telling you where he or she is going. And to make it worse a neighbor on the other side of the neighborhood has found a friendly or not so friendly but lost pet and does not know what to do for the pet.

Below are listed some immediate suggestions:

If your pet is lost or you have found a lost pet: Call Phil at (407) 679-6644 with a description, time it was noticed missing or found, the pet's home or location and a working phone number that is answered.

For those who find a pet:

Remember it does the pet or you no good if you are bitten or cat scratched so use caution in restraining the animal. Most are docile, but caution is always the best advice. Often they need nourishment or to be hydrated and that will assist in safely confining the animal. If neither of us is contacted by the owner and you are unable to keep the pet there are a number of alternatives and one needs to contact Patricia Caminitti at (407) 568-4092 or Cell (321) 208-2406. If this is done remember to advise Phil as to the pet's destination in case the owner does call.

For those who have lost the pet:

If the animal has a collar with your name and phone number hopefully you will get a call shortly if not, hopefully someone has called Phil at (407) 679-6644 with its location and a contact phone number.

Everyone is reminded that county and local HOA restrictions require dogs to be leashed at all times unless under the direct supervision of the owner on their property or in an approved area. And of course wild animals need to be referred to Shirleyn Cannan at "Fallin' Pines Critter Rescue, Inc" (407) 568-7988. Animals under distress (injured or abused) need to be referred to Animal Control at 311 or (407) 836-3111 or the Sheriff's office (407) 836-4357.

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER ON YOUR PET'S COLLAR FOR THEIR SECURITY AND YOUR PEACE OF MIND.