



## A REMINDER TO OUR RESIDENTS WITH PETS Rosalie Celio

As a former dog and cat owner, and a daughter who lived with a number of different birds I am very fond of domestic animals.

I know the requirements of pet ownership is both time consuming and costly, More so with dogs than with cats as I remember, but certainly rewarding when your pooch wags it's tail or licks your face as our Shepard did.

As a daily walker, I have seen many residents walking their dogs and I am always very happy when I notice that many of them carry plastic bags. I have suggested to those without bags that it would be very considerate of them to carry bags.

We have had many little reminders in newsletters asking dog owners not to leave their dogs excrement on sidewalks, public AND private grassy area. We continue to see deposits on a daily basis

I did some research into the Heritage Harbour Master Association's Declaration of Covenants and found the following:

5.18 Pets and Animals. No more than two (2) commonly accepted household pets such as a dog or cat, and reasonable numbers of tropical fish or caged birds may be kept in a Living Unit, subject to other reasonable regulation by the Association or Neighborhood Association. All animals shall be leashed (if outdoors), or kept within the Living Unit and shall not be permitted to roam free. The Association may restrict the walking of pets to certain areas. Owners who walk their pets on Association or Neighborhood Common Areas must clean up after their pets. Commercial activities involving pets, including without limitation, boarding, breeding, grooming or training are not allowed. The ability to keep a pet is a privilege, not a right. If in the opinion of the Board, any pet becomes the source of unreasonable annoyance to others, or the Owner of the pet fails to comply with these restrictions, the Owner, upon written notice may be required to remove the pet from the Community. Pets may not be left unattended or leashed in yards or garages or on porches or lanais.

A resident suggested dog owners might check out this web site:

<http://www.flushpuppies.com>