Lake Doe Cove

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NEIGHBORHOOD QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS,

Discussion: Great care must be taken when walking your dogs. I have seen several owners walking their dogs "off" leash. These all looked as they were in control of their dog; however, I have also seen unleashed dogs run into the In one case the street. unleashed dog was killed by a truck. If you really love your dog, then please keep them on a leash. If you wish to train your dog to be off leash, go to a local dog park.

Doctors' Dog Park 21 N Highland Ave Apopka, FL 32703 Website, Click

Also. I have seen many cats running loose. Cats are a target for coyotes as well as eagles

PETS Can't run loose!

observed flying and landing in the neighborhood.

When walking your dog, please clean up after their mess. This is a MUST for our neighborhood. It also makes good sense to clean up your back yard. Accumulated dog poop can spread disease and can become smelly.

Poop! Cleaning Up After Your Dog

Prior to adopting a dog, most people don't give much thought to the task of poop cleanup. Once the dog has joined the family and the need becomes apparent, some people tend to avoid cleaning up. This can lead to problems.

Reasons to Pick Up

Dog waste contaminates the ground and becomes a means of passing intestinal parasites and infections to dogs and people. Your own dog can be repeatedly re-infested by parasites in this way. Picking up the feces prevents a great deal of the contamination, especially if diarrhea is not involved. Cleanup can reduce veterinary expenses and might even save on human doctor bills.

Because of contamination as well as smell and mess, dog waste is highly offensive to many people in the community. It often becomes a reason to ban dogs from areas. Of course the dogs can't clean up after themselves, so this is a people problem rather than a dog problem. It's easy to enact "no dogs allowed" rules, and then the people who clean up suffer right along with the ones who don't.

If happiness for you is being able to have your dog live with you in an apartment or condominium, be conscientious about cleaning up. Dog waste damages landscaping, offends other tenants, and costs money to landlords and homeowners associations. In markets where there are plenty of tenants available to rent the property, landlords tend to eliminate dogs to get rid of these problems. It pays to not only clean up after your own dog, but others, too, whenever the poop is especially conspicuous.

Neighborhood disputes over dog poop can escalate into real misery. In some localities it is illegal to allow your dog to relieve on someone else's property unless you have that person's permission. The very existence of such laws is an indication of how seriously people take the cleanup issue!

If you've ever tried to have a pleasant outdoor meal next door to a yard contaminated with foulsmelling dog feces, you have some idea of how quality of life can be affected by cleanup neglect. If you've found your lawn mower stinking up the tool shed because of dog feces on the mower blades after mowing your own yard where someone else's dog deposited poop, you surely weren't pleased.

Keeping the yard clean keeps the dog cleaner, since the dog



Jasper Doodle Sargent Send me your Pets' Photo and I'll put them here! Email to: <u>webmaster@lakedoecove.org</u>

won't be stepping or playing in the mess on relief trips outside.

A clean yard also gives both people and dogs a lot more exercise space. (read more,click link below)

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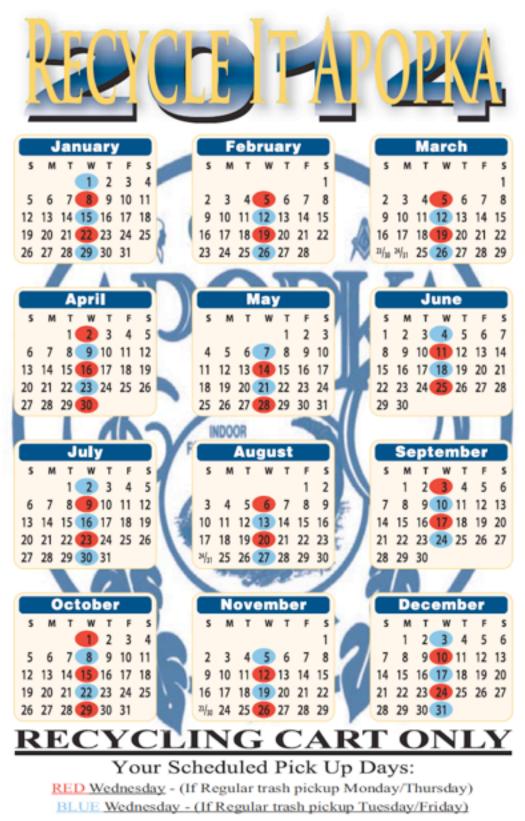
From the Lake Doe Cove HOA Section 4. —<u>Animals</u>.

Birds, fish, dogs, cats, reptiles, insects and all other non-human, non-plant livings: organisms (collectively, Mammals") may be kept as pets only, and shall not be hold or offered for sale or: maintained or bred for any commercial use. Animals shall be sheltered

inside Dwellings. No separate or exterior shelter for Animals shall be permitted. All Animals must be kept in a fully fenced area or leashed when outside and shall, not be permitted to run loose. No Animals shall be permitted to remain on the Property if it or they disturb the tranquility of the Property or the Owners or tenants thereof. If it or they are unlawful, dangerous, annoying, or a nuisance to or destructive of wildlife, or if it or they are specifically excluded from the Property by the Board after notice and hearing.

(As extracted from the HOA, Article IX, Restrictive Covenants)

Be a GOOD neighbor and Clean up after your pets your editor!



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