

Centennial Serves Lunch on Student Council Election Day



Centennial Bank rolled out the hospitality wagon to serve lunch for students at Treasure Village Montessori as they elected their Student Council for the 2011-12 school year.

Adopt a Key Largo Animal Shelter Pet

Meet a few of the animals who are currently available for adoption at the Key Largo Animal Shelter. If you are interested in taking one of these adorable furry friends home stop by or call. The Shelter is located at mile marker 106 Oceanside; phone 305-451-0088.



Izzy



Winston



Madonna



Ziggy



Joey



Pink



Jack, Jeckyll, Heidi



Sully



Sadie



Betty



Pumpkin

Dear
Anny
Bannanny



Dear Anny Bannanny,

I find seeing people and their pets out together at our local watering holes part of the Keys charm. While I don't bring my dog with me, I don't mind sitting next to a well-behaved animal at the bar and I often coo over the friendly dogs, birds, cats, rats, snakes and even iguanas I've seen being well managed by their owners. It isn't the animals that bother me it is the occasional owner who has no common sense that ruffles my fur.

How can we stop the inconsiderate, not-so-smart pet owners from giving all the animals a bad name?

I pose the question, because I was recently at a bar when a lady's dog lunged at a patron tearing his pants and giving everyone quite a scare. Rumor has it the massive dog had also attacked a child in a neighborhood so when the dog's owner just stood their apologetic but not wanting to remove the dog from the establishment I was baffled. What is this owner thinking? She didn't take the dog home until the bar owner insisted. All I could think is she is lucky no one called the cops.

What can we do to unleash some sense into these irresponsible dog owners to make sure they don't get all the loveable animals band from being out in public?

Sincerely,
Fur-strated

Dear Fur-strated,

I too find irresponsible pet owners obnoxious. I have seen animals at the bar that have more common sense and social skills than their owners. And I have seen owners and their pets whom, together, should not be out at all - not even enough sense between the two of them to shake a bone at.

To the common sense-lacking pet owners, I say leave your furry friend at home. If you can't ensure your pet is going to mind its manners don't bring them out. If your pet is a repeat offender, maybe it is trying to tell you it doesn't like to go out. Maybe tearing pants and scaring children is its way of saying "I'm not really a bar kind of dog." Duh.

Putting your animal in a situation where it is likely to behave badly is setting the poor pet up. Someone can get hurt and the pet could lose its life over poor ownership. If you don't want to see your pet put down or have animals band from being in public in this town, have the sense to leave unsocial animals happily at home. Just because you don't want to hit the bar alone doesn't mean you should bring your pet as your wingman.

We love our local furry friends and don't want a few bad bones to ruin it for everyone.

Yours truly,
Anny Bannanny

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3. To provide a humane example for others to learn from and follow.



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