## CITY OF SEQUIM November 2008







## LOST OR FOUND A PET??

Do you know what to do if you have lost or found a pet? The Code Compliance/Animal Control Officer has found a rise in animals roaming the neighborhoods.

The City recommends that all pets be micro-chipped. A micro-chip is a small computer chip that is placed under the pets skin between the shoulder blades which contains a number. All humane societies and animal control agencies are equipped with scanners to detect these chips. When a pet is found and scanned, if a chip is detected there is a 24 hour manned hotline to call, which has the pet owners information. This is an easy, cost efficient way to secure your animal's safe return home.

Within the city of Sequim, all pets over the age of 6 months are required by Sequim Municipal Code to be licensed. This license also allows for the opportunity to get the pet returned to its owner. So it is important to have your animal licensed and/or micro-chipped.

If you have a lost or found pet, the following steps will help to return the animal to its owner in a timely manner. Remember the more information you can give about the pet the better.

- If you find an animal or see an animal roaming contact the Police Department at 683-7227.
- 2. Report any lost or found animals to the Olympic Humane Society, 457-8206
- 3. Report lost or found pets to all local vet clinics.
- Report lost or found pets to your local animal control agencies. Within the city limits contact 683-4908.
- Place an ad in the local newspapers and KONP radio station.
- 6. Make flyers and post at local stores. Do not post on light and electrical poles.