

Sitters care for sensitive pets while owners travel

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NORTHEAST VALLEY - Let's face it, some of us are just homebodies.

The same can be said for our pets.

So although some folks - and some pets, for that matter - may look forward to getting away from it all and hitting the road, others want nothing more than to be able to stick to familiar routines. Call them creatures of habit.

So if your plans have you away from home, but the last time you boarded your cat it lost all of its hair from worry, don't sweat it. There are people happy to help you.

A visit to www.petsit.com can give you information about what to look for and point you toward quality pet sitters in your area. To help get you started, here are a few places serving the Northeast Valley.

TLC House and Pet Sitting Service: (480) 588-1DOG (1364).

Kara has been caring for animals for most of her life. Her company offers both day and overnight visits, and she said it's very important to know whom you're dealing with.

"Make sure they're bonded and insured," Kara said. "Look for someone who's been in business for awhile."

TLC's rates vary according to the type of pet involved and the number and types of visits needed.

For more information, see www.tlcpetsitter.com.