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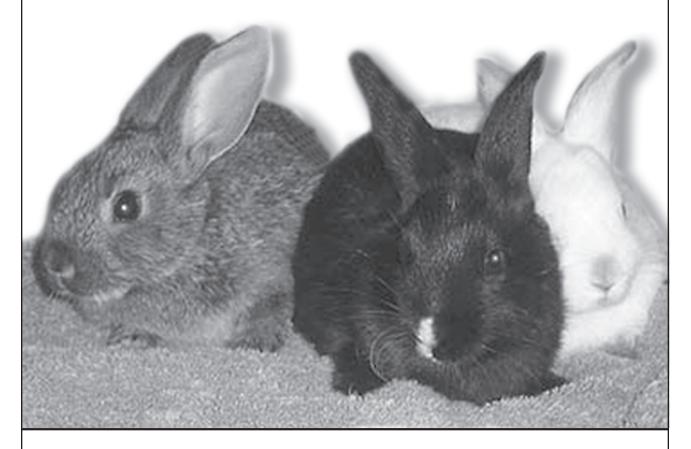
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Dr. Adolf Maas has recently moved back home to the Bothell/Kirkland area where he lived most of his life. He specializes in "exotic" animals and is a welcome addition to our list of recommended veterinarians. You won't see dogs or cats in his waiting room, but in addition to rabbits, rodents and ferrets you might also see birds and reptiles.





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Your membership and donation dollars help support our rescued rabbits, rodents and ferrets. Please help us help the animals.

## BLRRFH: Past, Present and Future

It's been an exciting and busy year at the Best Little Rabbit, Rodent and Ferret House (BLRRFH).

In March of this year, BLRRFH celebrated it's 10th anniversary. In 1996, we opened the first and only shelter in Washington State devoted solely to small companion animals. With your support over the past decade, we have cared for more than 3,000 rabbits, rodents and ferrets - providing safe shelter, food, medical care, and love. Internationally recognized for our expertise and our efforts on behalf of small companion animals, we are committed to being a strong organization and leader for many more decades to come.

Also in March, we opened a thrift store run by dedicated volunteers. Located just behind our shelter on Lake City Way in Seattle, this shop is helping to raise much needed funds to support our lifesaving work. (See back page for more information.)

Our doors have been open to rabbits, rats, mice, hamsters, prairie dogs, sugar gliders, chinchillas, degus, hedgehogs, guinea pigs and even a duprasi - a fat tailed gerbil. BLRRFH has given these animals a second chance to find the loving forever homes they deserve. They have come to us from other shelters when their time has run out, from abusive and neglectful situations and from homes that could no longer care for them or where they were no longer wanted. They have been brought in by their former human families, by police and animal control

officers and by compassionate good samaritans like you.

Among the many animals BLRRFH has given a second chance to are rabbits like Pookey, who came to us from another shelter. He was scheduled to be euthanized as they felt he was un-

adoptable due to behavior issues. Pookey turned out to be a very friendly and affectionate rabbit whose "language" was misinterpreted

as aggression when he had just been "voicing" the fact that he was scared in the shelter environment. Pookey has since found a human family to adopt him and occasionally takes vacations with them in their RV.

There is also Footnote, a rabbit who came to us from King County Animal Control after being found with his ears deliberately cut off by an uncaring human. We were able to heal his physical wounds and damaged spirit. Through the love and care he received

from our dedicated staff and volunteers, he learned to trust humans again and found a family who loves him, even though he may have lost some of his former beauty.

We have been very successful finding homes for animals who may not have been given a chance at another shelter. Animals like Morgana - a rabbit who lost her sight due to abuse, Beatrix - an elderly lop-eared rabbit with chronic ear infections (typical of her breed) and Scamp - a loving rat with respiratory problems.

BLRRFH has occasionally become the permanent home for some special needs animals like Momma, a disabled rabbit and a well known resident to our customers. When she was younger, she could be seen running around the shelter in her specially designed wheelchair. She now resides in an enclosure built with her specific needs in mind, along with her guinea pig companion. We have also become a permanent home to a number of elderly ferrets, most of whom have adrenal tumors. We have dedicated one of our

three ferret play yards to them, where they can relax and enjoy playtime at their pace without the rambunctious "youngsters."

Over the years, BLRRFH has consulted on and organized many large and

small scale rescues, including the Redmond Rabbit rescue in 1997 when 652 rabbits who had been abandoned in a Redmond business Park were rescued and led to us opening Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary. There was also the Rocky Reach rescue of 110 feral rabbits in Chelan County and the 38 guinea pigs

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rescued from an animal hoarder in White Center.

Early this spring, we humanly trapped 48 rabbits from Woodland Park in Seattle. The rabbits were housed in temporary space while we treated them for parasites (common in feral rabbit populations) and injuries. After their treatment was completed, the rabbits were spayed and neutered. They have now been

neutered. They have now been transported to their permanent home at Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary where they can live out their lives in safety and comfort.

In addition to the many past successful rescues we have been involved in, we were contacted in April by Best Friends Animal Rescue in Utah, for advice on a large scale rabbit rescue

> they began in Reno. Many hours were spent consulting by phone and email with project coordinator, Debby Widolf, as to what had worked for us during our three major feral rabbit rescues. We offered to place 200 to 300 rabbits from the "Reno Rabbit Rescue" into Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary. As it turned out, many other concerned individuals and organizations across the country stepped forward to take in these rabbits, so it was not necessary for us to receive any of them at our sanctuary. Best Friends was appreciative of our advice and made a generous donation to help us purchase a walk-in refrigerator for

our sanctuary to store the large amount produce needed to feed the 300 rabbits who reside there.

We have partnered with many local and national organizations over the past decade and have worked closely with veterinarians in our area and from as far away as Singapore, to help educate them about small companion animal issues.

A large part of our mission has always been education. Every year we respond to hundreds of phone calls and over a thousand e-mails from members of the public needing care and behavior advice for the small companion animals in their care. Frequently, we are able to provide behavior advice that results in a better understanding of these animals, and enables them to remain in their homes instead of being dropped off at a shelter. We have provided training to animal shelters who generally care for cats and dogs, to help them better care for and place rabbits, rodents and ferrets into appropriate, permanent homes. We spend countless hours in our shelter providing adoption counseling, teaching handling and grooming techniques, veterinary referrals, and have held many workshops and trainings focused on the special needs of small companion animals.

As we look back on all of our successes over the past decade and remember all of the animals we have been able to help, we extend our gratitude for the generous support of compassionate individuals who have enabled us to accomplish so much and allow us to continue to be a voice and a safe haven for animals in need.

BLRRFH could not provide the high quality of care we are known for without the caring individuals who donate their time to the animals who rely on us everyday. Volunteers like Linda Keaton, who visits our shelter once a week to groom the bunnies and shower



them with love, and has done so for the past 6 years and Gayle Schneider, who donates, prepares and serves nutritous and tasty salads every Sunday to our residents.

We are fortunate to have kindhearted people, like Troy and Dan, who foster animals in need of a little TLC. Troy and Dan opened their homes and hearts to Carmen, a 6 year-old ferret with adrenal tumors. Because of her condition and age, she is not a likely candidate for adoption, but because of her foster parents, she has become an important part of a family who give her the love and affection she deserves.

All of the people and animals at BLRRFH are eternally grateful to our members and supporters whose financial generosity has made our lifesaving work possible and have allowed us to keep our doors open. Your support is truly appreciated and we thank you.

As we look toward the future, BLRRFH is committed to our mission and continuing our efforts help rabbits, rodents and ferrets in need. Our staff and volunteers are devoted to providing the best direct care possible to our shelter animals, finding them loving forever homes and educating the public.

We have plans to purchase a permanent shelter building to ensure that there will always be a safe place, devoted to the special needs of small companion animals in need of a second chance. We are leasing the building that currently houses our shelter and will have to move when the lease runs out next year.

Your contributions are directly responsible for making our lifesaving work possible. With your continued support this year, we will work to make this a better more compassionate world for rabbits, rodents and ferrets.



# A New Home for Dusty and Bean

by Tara Causland



Dusty and Bean, former residents of Allpet Veterinary Clinic and the rabbit companions to much-loved Dr. Barbara Deeb, DVM, have found a

new home with my parents. Our family had a male Netherland Dwarf rabbit named Mistletoe and he was Dr. Deeb's patient for many years before Dr. Deeb passed away in 2005. Sadly, Mistletoe died this year in May at 11 years and nine months old.

When you have had such a special companion who has been an important family member, it is hard to imagine having any other rabbits. However, after a few months my parents decided to adopt Dusty and Bean.

In part, giving them a safe home is a way to express gratitude to Dr. Deeb for the thoughtful and capable care she gave to Mistletoe, but we also have the gift of getting to know two delightful rabbits. (I have the honor of being the bunny godmother to Dusty and Bean).

Although they have lived at their new home for only a week and a half, they already show signs of increased comfort and a sense of security. There was even an impressive display of bunny ballet performed by the bouncy Bean and a few playful sidehops by Dusty. They are a reminder of the joyful sunshine that bunnies bring into a home.

#### BLRRFH Mail

Dear BLRRFH,

I wanted to write to you to say "Thank You" for helping me with my bunny. I got Jasmine in January of 2006. She had been rescued from a breeder who had lost interest in the bunnies and was getting rid of all of her rabbits. Jasmine had had very little human interaction and was only about two months old. She was housed in an outdoor hutch with many other young rabbits (who had been found under a shed in the rescuer's yard) until I got her.

When I brought her home, she did nothing but hide in her box in the "condo" we had set up for her. I make a practice of getting all of our pets checked by the vet when we take them home, so I took Jasmine to the vet. Dr. Mitchell found that she had a parasite and we would have to give her medicine two or 3 times a day. I was not sure how to do it effectively, so after much heartache and many failures, I called the vet back and asked for some help. She told me to contact you.

I called and made an appointment for

Jasmine and I to visit the Best Little Rabbit, Rodent and Ferret House the next day. We came in very shy and nervous, but you took Jasmine out of the carrier (a cardboard box type) and put her on a chair in front of you and started to rub her head and ears. I was amazed to watch

the transformation in her. She loved the attention! You then explained how to love her and that I needed to make a point of holding her and loving her before I tried to give her the medicine. I learned how to give her medicine and headed home

The following week was amazing to me. I had MUCH more confidence in my ability to care for Jasmine and she was no longer hiding. She got rid of the parasites and is now a very healthy, happy, well-adjusted bun. In fact, I was lying on the floor with her this morning and she was grooming me! It was one of the most precious moments of my relationship with her. We have just brought another bunny into

our home to give Jasmine a friend to keep her company when we are gone during the day. They are beginning to get to know one another and both seem to be very happy and excited about their future together.

I owe you so much for your help!

You saved my sweet Jasmine. I was beginning to think that we might have to give her up to a shelter before I talked with you. I am so glad that you were able to take the time to teach me about rabbits so that I could be a MUCH better rabbit

"pet". Thank you!

Now I am able to help other rabbit owners to better understand their pets and I have recommended that they come and talk with you about their bunny issues.

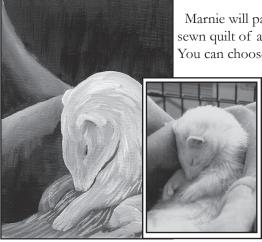
My God bless you and all of your efforts on behalf of our furry friends.

Sincerely, Heidi Lovett

## A Lasting Tribute Painted Portraits and Portrait Quilts

Whether you are looking for the perfect gift for an animal lover or creating a lasting memory to a companion animal in your life, BLRRFH has two exciting and unique opportunities for you. We have partnered with Marnie Tyson of Windgypsy Designs to

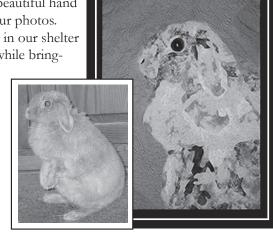
offer hand painted portraits and portrait quilts of your companion animals.



Painting of Goldie the ferret napping

Marnie will paint a portrait on canvas or make a beautiful hand sewn quilt of a companion animal from one of your photos. You can choose to have the painted portraits hung in our shelter as a lasting tribute to your animal while bringing our shelter walls alive with

ing our shelter walls alive with a testament to all that our small companions bring to our lives or for you to display in your own home. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the animals in our shelter. Please contact Marnie at Marnie@WindGypsyDesigns.com for more information on ordering or inquire at our shelter.



Quilt of King Murray

## Adoption Spotlights



Mikey
Mikey was born December
2005 and is a very social
rabbit who will follow you
around looking for love.



Fred was born in February 2004. He's a very playful, energetic guy looking for a loving adoptive family.



Duke

Duke is not yet one year old. He was upset when he came here and had some intestinal troubles. All well now, he's playful and full of mischief.



Romeo

Romeo was left on our doorstep without any information. Romeo is a large neutered boy between 1 and 2 years of age. Romeo's girlfriend passed away from a fast growing cancer and he is left alone looking for a new girlfriend.



Jimmy

Jimmy was born July 15, 2006. He is an active brown hooded and white male with a teeny white chin who is strong and likes to snuggle.



Shadow and Freckles

Shadow and Freckles are twoyear-old girls who came from Whatcom County Humane Society. They are now spayed and are quite social. They'd like a home together where they can romp and play. Come meet them



Franky

Although very pretty, Franky is a male born May 7, 2006. With longer hair he'll need to be combed at least twice a week and may need his hair trimmed once a month. Franky was born here after his mom was rescued from White Center.



Felicia

Felicia's mom was rescued from a heard of 150 guinea pigs at White Center. Felicia was born 5/28/06. Once picked up, she loves to sit in your lap and be petted.



## Bunny Bonding Techniques

By Sandi Ackerman

Everyone uses such different bonding techniques and what works in one case doesn't always work in the other. I used to use car rides as the basic training aid, but stopped when I almost had an accident. ©

My current method is:

1. Set aside one full hour, each day for one week

- 2. Get a broom or plastic garden rake and good thumping shoes.
- 3. Set up two exercise pens or use any equivalent sized area where there is NO furniture for the rabbits to get under.
- 4. Insert both rabbits, yourself, and broom inside.
- 5. For one full hour do NOT let the rabbits touch one another! (Rabbits are allowed to stretch their noses out towards one another, but when they get within 1" of the other's nose.....

THUMP!) If they don't back off, put the broom between them.

The rabbits will start ignoring each other, may begin grooming themselves, doing bunny dances, etc., etc., etc. but do NOT let them touch. You can just sit there bored out of your mind in anticipation of the next time you will need to THUMP. This is not a bonding time for \*you\* and the rabbits. Do NOT pet, or groom either of them. If one climbs into your lap that's fine, but don't do anything to encourage it.

The next day, repeat steps 1 - 4 and replace

step 5 with step 6.

6. Allow rabbits to touch noses and to continue getting closer to each other without a reaction of any kind from you. However, if you see any hint of aggression (ears back, tail up) or have any doubt what-so-ever, do the THUMP, broom between them routine. Even if you're wrong and they really weren't thinking of "arguing" with each other, it will let them know that you're the top bun and that you won't stand for any nonsense.

Each day thereafter, they will act less and less aggressive and should be allowed more and more contact. They will begin laying closer to each other and will eventually throw in a couple of grooming licks.

Using this method it will (usually) take me from 3 - 7 days to send home a bonded pair of rabbits. If you have any doubts as to whether or not they're bonded, continue this daily until you feel comfortable.

## How You Can Help

#### Become a Member

When you become a member of BLRRFH, you are helping to support our rescue efforts. You are providing spaying and neutering, vaccinations, surgery, lab costs, medication, food, shelter, toys, litter and everything else that is needed to ensure quality care of the animals at BLRRFH and at Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary. You are also helping the rabbits, rodents and ferrets find permanent loving homes.

Your membership will include:

- Our newsletter:
  - Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News
- Membership card
- 5% discount on merchandise when you visit our shelter

# Become a BLRRFH Constant Companion

Become a constant companion to the animals with an automatic monthly credit card donation. Your monthly donation will provide a dependable source of income so we can continue to do our lifesaving work.

#### Sponsor an Animal

Sponsoring a rabbit, rodent or ferret in our shelter will help us pay for the much needed supplies, medical care and food that is required to care for them. You can choose to sponsor an individual animal in the shelter or a particular species. Your sponsorship will include a color photo

of your sponsored animal, a photo frame magnet and a short biography. The minimum sponsorship is \$40 a year. You can pay for your sponsorship with a 1 time donation or with a monthly automatic credit card donation. Sponsorships also made great gifts!

We rely entirely on donations and could not provide the high quality care for the animals at our shelter and sanctuary without the generosity of people like you. Thank you for your support!

## Rabbit Health: (Does your rabbit have a) Dirty Bum?

By Sandi Ackerman

We can't discuss dirty bunny burns, without first understanding the rabbit digestive tract and how and why rabbits re-ingest their cecal pellets.

#### What are cecal pellets?

In brief, the first time food passes through your rabbit's body it comes out in little "vitamin packets." These are where they get their very necessary B vitamins). These vitamin packets look something like a bunch of tightly packed grapes in the shape of a tootsie roll. Each "grape" has a shinny cover, and acts much like a capsule full of vitamins. The rabbit knows the difference between their cecal pellets and their fecal pellets (hard round droppings that come out the second time around) and will bend down and take their cecal pellets directly from their anus. So, the normal process is that the cecal pellets never touch the ground or the

outside of the rabbit's body. For more information, you can read about the entire digestive tract in the House Rabbit Handbook, by Marinell Harriman, p 64.

I've heard people state that their rabbit does not

produce cecal pellets. But they do. That's the way their digestive system works. In reality, people often never notice when their rabbit re ingests these pellets. You may see him lean down towards his genitals like a cat

might, and you'll think he's grooming. But if you look carefully, you'll see that when he raises his head, he's chewing.

#### **Gaining Weight**

OK. So that's the description of a normal weight rabbit re-ingesting his cecal pellets. But what happens if your rabbit begins to gain weight?

Well, his tummy begins to get in the way and when he tries to reach his cecal pellets,

he'll have to stretch over his tummy. When he stretches for his cecal pellets, he will no longer be able to reach his anus and the cecal pellets will have come outside of his body. Then they will smear on his fur as he struggles to reach and ingest them. He will next attempt to clean them from his fur. If you turn him over and look, what you'll see at this point is streaks of cecal poop in the hair

around his genitals. You'll also notice hair loss where he has pulled the dried cecals from his hair. This is likely the first sign that your rabbit needs to go on a diet, or that he may be developing arthritis or be injured in some way.

If your rabbit is not overweight, make an appointment with your veterinarian for a diagnosis as to what is causing his inability to reach his cecal pellets.

#### Obeseity

If he is overweight and you ignore it, what's next? A disgusting large dried, hardened clump of unformed cecal poop

stuck securely to his fur!

When people call to make an appointment for me to bathe their rabbit, this is usually what I encounter. The mass does not remove easily. Luckily cecal pellets will begin to dissolve in water if left



there for 5 - 15 minutes. And that's the beginning of the cleaning process. This mass has accumulated over days or weeks as the rabbit has been trying very hard to reach his cecal pellets. As the mass grows from previously uneaten cecal pellets, the situation worsens and a very dirty smelly bum is the result.

#### Sludge

Sludge is very thick urine and is normally caused by too much calcium. Sludge can be a huge discussion all by itself, but when this occurs the urethra will become irritated, your rabbit may strain trying to eliminate the thick material, and you can often see a buildup of urine on your rabbit's bottom. A dirty bum from sludge, if left untreated, can then lead to bladder stones. This situation needs the immediate attention of your veterinarian.

Whatever the cause, when your normally fastidious rabbit has a dirty burn, it's time for a visit to the veterinarian.

# Help the animals, become a Volunteer!



We could not do our lifesaving work with out dedicated volunteers who donate their time and expertise. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please stop by our shelter, e-mail us at Info@RabbitRodentFerret.org, or call us at (206) 365-9105. Thank you!

We currently need volunteers for:

Data Entry, bookkeeping, incoming animals, etc.

Shelter Cleaning, help is always needed (we need someone who can clean and mop floors once a week)

Fold/Staple Newsletters

E-Bay, manage an E-bay auction for us

Window, Parking Lot Cleaning

Trim Rabbit Nails

Trim Guinea Pig Nails

Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary, cleaning every 2 months

Distribute Brochures, to veterinary clinics

Prepare and Hand Out Veggies, 2 1/2 hour a week commitment

Clean Rodent Cages, once a week

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You can help the animals at BLRRFH by donating much needed supplies. Below, we have listed items that we use every day and a few items we wish we had. Your gift will help us continue to provide the best care possible to the animals that rely on BLRRFH every day.

White Vinegar (we use it by the gallons for cleaning)

Bleach (not Clorox, they test on rabbits)

Paper Towels

Laundry Soap (bulk containers)

Towels (primarily bath towels, but other sizes as well)

Black garbage bags (33 - 36 gallon bags)

White 13 gal garbage bags Dish Sponges Security Cameras MegaPixel Digital Camera (that takes print quality photos)

**Adobe Software for Windows:** 

Adobe Creative Suite CS InDesign CS Dreamweaver 8

Adobe Photoshop CS

FileMaker Pro 8.5 Baby Blankets

Rugs (bathroom and throw rugs)

HP Laserjet Print Cartridge 12A

Thank you from all of us at BLLRRFH!



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# GoodSearch

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#### Thank You!

Your generosity enables us to save and improve the lives of countless rabbits, rodents and ferrets. We would also like to thank our volunteers and supporters who have contributed much needed funds, time for a variety of tasks and projects and the items we use every day. Thank you for being there!

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