

Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News



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The BLRRFH shelter offers boarding and grooming services (including nail clipping) as a source of income for our shelter. These services also ensure that your small companion animal has a safe place to stay when you are away and qualified small animal care specialists to tend to their needs. Our fee for these services have changed effective October 1st as follows:

Nail Clipping: \$5

Teeth Clipping - Incisors: \$10

Grooming fees depend on amount of care required, please ask a staff member for details

Boarding: *credit card is required to guarantee boarding*

Rabbits and Ferrets \$10 a day per cage

Guinea Pigs and Chinchillas \$5 a day per cage

Rodents in their own cage \$2.50 a day per cage

Rodents in our cage \$3 a day per cage

Please call BLRRFH at 206.365.9105 to make an appointment.

Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News Underwriter Needed

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

The Great Guinea Pig Rescue

The Best Little Rabbit, Rodent and Ferret House has a long history of partnering with other rescue groups and shelters and has a reputation for the quality care provided to the animals we serve.

So, it came as no surprise that Cavy Spirit's rescue in San Mateo, CA looked to BLRRFH when they needed help placing 55 guinea pigs, ranging in age from 3 weeks to 1 year old. The guinea pigs were brought to Cavy Spirit's after being confiscated from a collector who had been evicted from his home.

The local rescue groups and shelters in the San Mateo area were at capacity due to two recent rescues in which they took in over 500 guinea pigs.

BLRRFH agreed to take them in, so on October 11th they were packed into a van and headed north to the Emerald City. After arriving at the shelter, staff worked over time giving them checkups, separating males from females, clipping nails, setting them up in enclosures and providing them with food.

The next day we began making appointments to start spaying and neutering them so they could find loving, adoptive homes. Dr. Melissa

Nathanson of North Seattle Veterinary Clinic and the Progressive Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) generously agreed to perform the surgeries for a reduced cost and made room in their schedules to accommodate the guinea pigs.

Rabbits, Rodents and Ferrets, Oh My!

In addition to the 55 guinea pigs, BLRRFH was involved with two other large rescues recently in which we took in 67 animals.

On August 27th, we were contacted by Rabbit Haven about 11 ferrets, 4 guinea pigs, 23 rats and 9 rabbits (2 of whom are permanently disabled) that were being confiscated from the home of a collector and had nowhere safe to go. On October 15th Everett Animal Shelter asked BLRRFH to take in 8 hamsters, 8 gerbils, 2 rats and 2 mice they had at their shelter and needed help placing.

BLRRFH was able to open our doors to these animals and provide a safe place while they wait for their new adoptive families to find them.

We are currently caring for 344 animals, 160 of them are rabbits living at Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary. BLRRFH provides housing, food, veterinary care and socialization to each and every creature we take in. Our veterinary costs alone can exceed \$10,000 annually and even with the discounted rates for the guinea pig altering our bill will end up being close to \$2,000. We do not receive any funds from the government, we rely entirely on donations and profits from

product sales in our store.

All of the rabbits, rodents and ferrets have been given a second chance and they have forgiven the wrongs done to them by others of our species, giving us a second chance to be their trusted friends and companions. We can continue to provide a safe haven to animals in need with your help. Please give a gift today. Thank you!



Helping Hands

Members of an Olympia 4-H group, with a special affection for guinea pigs, heard about the recent rescue at BLRRFH and offered to lend a hand.

Shannon Elliott, Cleo Smith, Torin Sawyer, Siobhan Guile-Boessow and Kelsey Smith arrived at the shelter a short while later, rolled up their sleeves and got to work. They assisted shelter staff with the daily cleaning, feeding and filling of water bottles. The girls also took time out from cleaning to spend some quality time with the pigs. Thank you for your help!



From left to right Shannon Elliott, Cleo Smith, Siobhan Guile-Boessow, (back row) Torin Sawyer and Kelsey Smith



Guinea pigs awaiting adoption at BLRRFH

Foster Care

What makes chore time at Vicki Nelson's home so special and fun? Normally, we all think of chores as including vacuuming, sweeping, or dusting. But this is not the case in the Nelson home. Any given evening you are always assured that along with the normal sounds of sweeping, there is a chorus of chirps, squeaks, and chatter to keep you company.

It is indeed an exciting time at Vicki's. She fosters two sugar gliders and two degus who are part of the Foster Care Program with BLRRFH. This program enables BLRRFH to be able to give quality care to all the animals it serves. Currently, 344 rabbits, rodents, and ferrets depend on a staff of 6 to be taken care of and readied for adoption.

The Foster Care Program (FCP) helps not only staff but also the critters in many ways. There are a number of animals in shelter that wait long periods

of time before they are adopted. FCP allows for a break from the shelter environment. Also, animals with special needs like babies needing bottle-feeding and socialization, or those with health issues rely upon these generous volunteers.

Vicki is an example of a Foster Care Parent who is taking care of animals who have special needs. The sugar gliders require a lot of space and specific care. Their diet and nocturnal habits made them a perfect animal for the FCP. The shelter is very busy during the day and can be a stressful environment for animals that have opposite sleeping hours. The degus came to Vicki because the shelter was pretty tight on space due to a large rescue of guinea pigs and rodents.

Vicki not only provides a wonderful home for these four misfits, but as a FCP volunteer she also supplies essential information, like personality and behavior of an animal in a home

situation. This specialized attention ensures a successful match between potential adopters and their companion animal.

Being a Foster Care Parent is truly a special way to get involved. You not only get the hands-on experience, but you also get to be a part of an important process of finding that great home and companion person for the animal you foster. To be a part of this program you will receive a lot of support from BLRRFH, including training and supplies. If you have children and animals you can still participate in this program. Interested in a certain species? This is just fine! Any animal BLRRFH cares for is part of the Foster Care Program.

How can you get involved? It's easy, just stop by and ask a BLRRFH staff member! They would love to introduce you to the Foster Care Program.

Foster Care: Animal Spotlight



Sugar Gliders Ameila and Sally in foster care awaiting adoption

Sugar Gliders: Ameila and Sally

Sugar Gliders are an arboreal, nocturnal marsupial who are native to the Australian rainforests. Their scientific name, *Petaurus breviceps*, literally translates to "short-headed rope dancer." In

the wild, their diet mainly consists of flower nectar, acacia gum, eucalyptus sap and insects. They have a flap of skin under their arms which enables them to glide from tree to tree, allowing them to remain high in the canopy and avoid predation on the ground. They also live in small social family units.

In captivity Sugar gliders need a large "flight" enclosure filled with perches, toys, things to explore and a sleeping pouch. They are nocturnal and should not be disturbed during the day, these two are most active between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sugar gliders require a specialized diet and attention to nutrition as they are prone to obesity and metabolic bone disease. Their average life-span is 12 to 15 years.

Ameila and Sally enjoy interacting with their human friends and seem to like being petted although they do not enjoy being held. If you are interested in adopting Ameila and Sally, please call BLRRFH to set up an evening appointment

Degus: Ricky and Lucy

Degus, *Octodon degus*, are in the cavy family and are native to the Andes mountains of Chile and Peru where they live in small family groups. In captivity, degus have an average life span of 5 to 11 years.

They enjoy dust baths, running on their wheel and talking to each other. Degus are very active, intelligent and curious animals who require a large enclosure and things to explore. They can be shy and generally take time getting to trust new people but become quite friendly once they do. If you are interested in adopting Ricky and Lucy, please contact BLRRFH to make an appointment.



Degus Ricky and Lucy in their foster home

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We have partnered with Marnie Tyson of Windgypsy Designs to offer hand painted portraits and portrait quilts of your companion animals.

A Lasting Tribute Portraits

Windgypsy Designs will paint a 5" x 7" portrait on canvas of a companion animal from one of your photos. The portraits will be hung in our shelter as a lasting tribute to your animal while bringing our shelter walls alive with a testament to all that our small companions bring to our lives. You will receive a photo of the painting or if you are giving this as a gift, we will send a card and photo to the recipient. Portraits are \$50.00 and proceeds benefit the animals at BLRRFH. Please turn to page 11 to order today.



Portrait of Goldie the ferret napping



A Lasting Tribute Portrait Quilts

Windgypsy Designs will create a beautiful hand sewn quilt from a photo of an animal who is special to you. A portion of the proceeds from each quilt will benefit the animals at BLRRFH. For more information on ordering a quilt, please contact Windgypsy Designs at windgypsy@msn.com.



Quilt of a rat on shoulder

Give the Gift of Life

Give a BLRRFH membership to a friend, co-worker or family member. We will send an acknowledgment card to the recipient letting them know of your generous gift made in their honor.

Sponsor a BLRRFH shelter animal in honor of a loved one. Choose a individual animal at the shelter or species they are passionate about. We will send a card, photo and story of the BLRRFH resident you choose to your friend or family member letting them know of your gift.

The animals at BLRRFH will benefit from your donation and your friends, family and co-workers will appreciate your thoughtful and unique gift that keeps on giving and saving the lives of animals in need.

Rabbits, Rodents and Ferrets

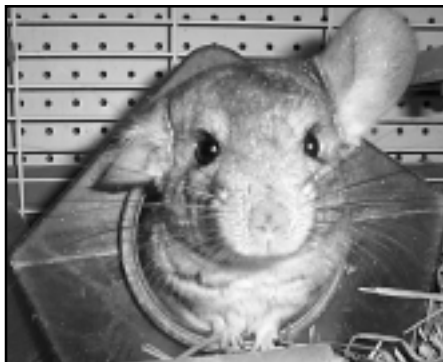


Reggie

Reggie is a handsome and affectionate 4 to 5 year old male. He was found abandoned at Woodland Park, sitting next to his cage and a few toys. Luckily he was found quickly and brought to the safety of the BLRRFH shelter. He loves to kiss and groom his human friends and always wants to be the center of attention. Reggie is looking for someone who will make a lifetime commitment to him and in return he will love you unconditionally.

Rabbit Adoption

Rabbits can be wonderful companions, but are not for everyone. They have the intelligence of a 2-3 year old child and will challenge you at every turn. They understand what "no" means, but also understand when your back is turned! They can frustrate you if you allow them to run around unsupervised, or if you have not "bunny proofed" your home. On the other hand rabbits seem to have a great sense of humor. They will do joyful dances, leaping high into the air. They totally understand that they are entertaining you when you laugh out loud at their antics. Rabbits are social animals and prefer to live in pairs. There is nothing that warms your heart more than watching two bunnies laying side by side grooming one another. If you have a single bunny, please consider adopting a companion. We do bunny bonding at our shelter and send them home as a happy couple. Adoption fee for a spayed or neutered rabbit is \$60.



Houdini

Houdini is an unneutered, 3 year old, silver chinchilla. He loves his dust baths and expressing his strong opinions to anyone who will listen.



Fiver, Hazel and Duke

Fiver, Hazel and Duke are brothers who were born May 2, 2004. They are very friendly and would each like a home with another rabbit to play with.



Chu

Chu is a male, dark sable ferret who was born in September of 2001. He is looking for a permanent, loving home to call his own



Silver

Silver is a lively youngster just over 6 months of age. He is constantly seeking attention and somebody to play with. Silver has a very outgoing personality and will be a loving and entertaining companion.



September

September is one of the 55 guinea pigs from California. She is a shy and gentle soul and is looking for a home with another guinea pig to talk to.

Rodent Adoption

Rodents are intelligent, curious and social animals who are wonderful and amusing companions to their human owners. They build nests, communicate with their kin, play and

Adoption fees: \$10 - for mice, gerbil and hamster
 \$10 - for individual rats
 \$45 - for individual spayed/neutered rats
 \$50 - for individual spayed/neutered mice
 \$50 - for degu pair (male neutered)

**** Gerbils, Chinchillas, Degus & H**

(Hamsters, gerbils and mice are not good companions for small children)

s Looking for Loving Homes



Hermione

Hermione is a very curious and energetic hamster who is always looking for some trouble to get into. She wants a home with a lot of toys and things to explore.



Phoebe, Coco and Frazzle

Phoebe, Coco and Frazzle are adjusting well to their new found fame as cover pigs. They are hoping this exposure will help them find the permanent home they're looking for.



Petey and Shane

Petey is a male sable born in April 2002 and Shane is a male sable with a pink nose born in February 2001. They are fun loving guys who have been at our shelter for over a year. Petey and Shane are hoping for the gift of a family to call their own.



Hanna

Hanna is an adorable baby bunny born at BLRRFH on 10/13/04. She and her siblings are looking for a loving home to grow up in.



Marigold

Marigold is another of the 55 guinea pigs looking for a human companion to trust and another guinea pig to talk to.



Flopsy

Flopsy is an affectionate, 2 to 3 year old girl with a lot of energy. She came to BLRRFH after being turned over to a veterinarian to be euthanized.....due to a food allergy. Flopsy adores her human friends, she runs to the front of her pen to greet them and ask for attention. She is looking for a permanent home with another rabbit to play with. Flopsy has personality to spare and will be a devoted member of your family.

Ferret Adoption

Ferrets are full of joy and seem to think life is very funny! They are social animals and need to be kept in pairs (they play hard as only another ferret can and rest even harder). If you decide a ferret is the right companion for you, please plan on bringing them into your home when you have at least 2-3 weeks to train them to use the litterbox and to come to a squeaky toy. Currently, we have close to 40 ferrets at the shelter who are waiting to find their human companions. Some of the ferrets in our shelter are considered "permanent residents" because their age or health makes it hard to find adoptive homes, so we are always on the lookout for foster homes for them. If you are interested in fostering or adopting, please come visit us at the shelter.

The adoption fee for a healthy younger ferret is \$100. This includes distemper vaccination, a microchip (so they can find their way home if ever lost) and their teeth have been cleaned.

who do best in pairs or family groups. They make families. Rodents seem to always be on the go, grooming and exploring.
r family groups, whether individuals or paired.

red guinea pigs
red chinchillas, \$85/pair

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amsters all enjoy daily dustbaths! **

ildren. Because of their size, a child can easily drop or injure them.)

Dear BLRRFH...



Tiki and CB

with my family, friends, patients and coworkers who all depend on me. I wonder if you realize how you change the world so much for the better with what you do. The hundreds of critters you have helped and thousands of lives enriched.

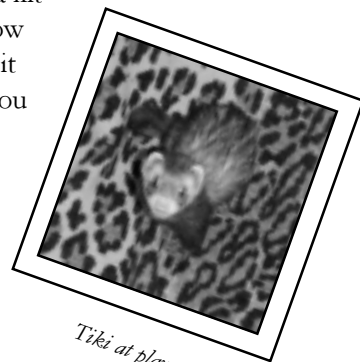
Thank you BLRRFH, SO Much.

cb

Tiki

Dear BLRRFH,

I'm sitting here, cuddling with Tiki (the X-biter). She so loves to be kissed and have her head and tummy rubbed. Whenever she's awake, she follows me around the house and rubs her wet little nose up my bare ankle, then peers up at me with such expectation. Robert says she wants treats, but she will leave a treat in her bowl to be picked up. She is so much happier without her spleen, and her daily dose of prednisone in vitamins is a treat to her. She acts like a kit still, when she plays, and keeps me sane no matter how bad the day. As I kiss behind her delicate ear, where it smells so nice (to me), I think how grateful I am to you for rescuing her from abuse, and caring for her for over a year. You made it possible for us to be together and made our lives so much better. I'm thinking of a ripple effect, because she fills me so with love that I have an overflowing cup to share



Tiki at play

Dewey and Tawney

He may be a dwarf but he fears no giants. Dewey is a four pound gray dwarf rabbit. Like the prince of Lilliput, Dewey walks up my legs to my chest when I lie on the floor as his Gulliver. I trust him so much that I will close my eyes. He stops in front of my face to make his proclamation by sniffing my nose. I hope that if he were speaking to me that he'd warn me about the Empress, Tawney. I feel the Empress thinks that Gulliver is taking up too much of her land. I keep one hand ready though for a nip at my side. Lacking any army to cart me away, she nips me to move me aside when she wants past this mountain of man. I call out "NO!" and restrain her at the shoulders for a moment. The Empress reluctantly relinquishes power to me. She now hops over rather than confronts me when I lie down as Gulliver. When I enter the bedroom they have made into their kingdom, Empress Tawney still sends Dewey to search me by climbing my leg. As small as it is, the land of our rabbits, like that of Lilliput, still has its rules and hierarchy.

As a young rabbit, Dewey is great fun to play games with but he has been quite a change to our quiet home. His partner, Tawney, is an apricot colored rabbit and is five years older than he is. She lived with an elderly Giant rabbit (Bun-Bun) for the last three years of his life. Tawney is now the elder dominant rabbit and Dewey is the excitable youngster. Dewey can fly out of his room and into the living room at high speed kicking his hind legs up in the air in glee. It still startles us and surprises our two cats as well. I don't think even our younger cat as a kitten had this kind of energy. Dewey is also an excellent escape artist. We can't keep him behind a fence. I found this

out when I saw him use his litter box as a boost to clear the fence when it was too close to the edge. He's not a fugitive that I have to chase down and apprehend. When he gets out, he just stops and waits for me to pick him up. I feel like he is saying "See what I can do!"

He may be a challenge but we can't imagine not having him in our lives.

Ken and Darlene Howe



Dewey and Tawney

Thank You to our donors

Your generosity enables us to save and improve the lives of countless rabbits, rodents and ferrets. Thank you for being there.



Donor Spotlight

Haley Maas (*pictured here with her companion rats from left to right: Luna, Star and Abby who were all adopted from BLRRFH*) recently celebrated her 10th birthday by asking her friends to donate to BLRRFH in lieu of gifts.

On behalf of the staff, volunteers and animals at BLRRFH, thank you Haley Maas, Anya Henning, Caroline Clay, Kate Parker, Laura, Sarah Witzel, Samantha Taylor, Grace Taylor,, Katie Taylor, Charlotte Donnan, Christine Donnan, Emma, Stephanie Host, Blair Buchanan, Heather Ellis.

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Sharon Williams
Kathy Wiren

Special Thanks to...

We would also like to thank our volunteers and supporters who have contributed their time for a variety of tasks and projects as well as donating items we use every day.

Holly Anderson, *grant applications*
Kim Christensen
J. Stenger Construction
Nancy Koslosky, *for veggies*

Gerrie Margel, *chicken soup for our sick ferrets*
Gayle Schneider, *for veggies, laundry soap and all the other stuff*

Volunteer Spotlight

16 year old Guinevere Brittingham began volunteering in January 2004. She started donating her time as an opportunity to be around ferrets because her mother wanted her to have experience with them before adopting one of her own. She now has 2 adopted ferrets and has continued to volunteer her time cleaning, feeding and socializing the ferrets at BLRRFH.

17 year old Ross Erickson originally began volunteering because he needed 10 community service hours for a citizenship project at school. He enjoyed his experience so much that he decided to stay on, assisting the staff with animal care.

Thank you Guinevere and Ross for your dedication and commitment to the welfare of animals and for generously donating your time!



Wish List

Baby Incubator

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

Bleach (*not Clorox, they test on rabbits*)

Paper Towels

USB Zip Drive

Laundry Soap (*bulk containers*)

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

Black garbage bags (*36 gallon bags*)

White 13 gal garbage bags (*9 ml*)

Overhead Projector

Adobe Software-Windows:

InDesign v.2.0

GoLive v.6.0

PageMaker v.7.0

Walk-in Refrigerator (*keep veggies fresh for shelter and sanctuary rabbits*)

Dish Sponges

Security Cameras

Baby Blankets

Rugs (*bathroom and throw rugs*)

Van Good, *used van to transport veggies, hay and animals*

Wish List Spotlight

Do you have a used minivan in good running condition you would like to donate?

The BLRRFH shelter and Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary is in need of a new van to transport animals, hay, veggies and supplies and is an essential part of our day to day operations. Our current van has served us well over the years but is showing it's age and is beyond repair.

"Sponsor a Furry Animal"

Who says money can't buy happiness? It can when you Sponsor a Furry Friend. You can choose 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.

A sign, with your name, will also be hung on your sponsored animal's cage. 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. 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. Please see mail-in form on page 16.

Thank you!

*Mom is just one of the many animals
you can sponsor at BLRRFH.*



Become a Member!

When you become a member of BLRRFH or HRS, you are helping to support our rescue efforts. You are helping to provide spay/neuter, 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 quarterly newsletter, *Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News*

Membership card

5% discount on merchandise when you visit our shelter

We rely entirely on donations and could not provide the high quality care for the animals in our shelter and at the sanctuary

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.

Help the animals, become a Volunteer!

We could not do our lifesaving work without 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 (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

Adoptable Animal Photos, *take photos and update web page*

Rabbit Meadows Sanctuary, *cleaning every 2 months*

Distribute Brochures, *to veterinary clinics*

Prepare and Hand Out

Veggies, *2 1/2 hour commitment*

Trim Rabbit Nails

Trim Guinea Pig Nails

Clean Rodent Cages *once a week*

Letter to the Editor

Just a quick note to let you know, I love the newsletter. The story "Noah - A Love Story" (*Volume 1, Issue 3*) is great. What a testimony to the fact that rabbits give us so much more than we could ever give them. So much I've learned and experienced in life was because I was blessed with buns! The work you all do for the animals is awesome! What a great group of people. God bless you all!!!

Lisa Marsh

Let Your Voice be Heard

Please help us by answering a few questions so we can focus our articles on what you would like to read about in Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News.

What companion animals live with you?

What is your favorite part of Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News?

What would you like to see in upcoming issues of Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret News?

Thank you!

A Lasting Tribute Portrait Order Form

See details on page 5

☐ Photo is enclosed

Name of Animal _____

Inscription for under portrait (*if any, 15 words or less please*)

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 ☐ National HRS \$18 (1 year membership)
 ☐ Both \$31 (a \$2 savings for a 1 year membership)
☐ I would like to give a BLRRFH membership
 to a friend/family member. Please enclose the
 name and address of the gift recipient separately.
☐ I would like to order 'A Lasting Tribute' portrait
 for \$50, I have filled out the form on page 11 and enclosed a
 photo.

- ☐ I have enclosed my company's matching
 gift form.
☐ Yes, I would like to Sponsor a Furry Friend
 (\$40 minimum for sponsorship) see page 10 for details
 ☐ Rabbit ☐ Ferret ☐ Guinea Pig
 ☐ Rodent ()
 (If you are sponsoring an animal as a gift to a friend or family
 member, please enclose their name and address separately.)
☐ Please enroll me as a BLRRFH Constant Companion
 and charge my credit card \$ _____ monthly.

(For more information on membership or
 BLRRFH Constant Companion program, see page 10)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State Zip _____

E-mail _____

I would like to receive my newsletter ☐ on-line ☐ in the mail.

Please mail form to: **Best Little Rabbit, Rodent & Ferret House**
 14317 Lake City Way NE
 Seattle, WA 98125

I have enclosed my gift of \$ _____ to help the
 animals.

☐ I have enclosed my check payable to BLRRFH or HRS

Please charge my credit card ☐ M/C ☐ Visa

Total \$ _____

Expires ____/____/____ Signature _____

Thank You!