

# Paws-It!

## Washington Ferret Rescue & Shelter

### We'd like to thank ...



There are so many fabulous people that lend us a hand whenever they can. Be it weekly, monthly or whenever, every bit of help is so needed and appreciated at the Shelter. In that light, we'd like to again thank the following people.

Sarah is our Monday cleaning gal. She has been with us for several years now, is very ferret savvy and has a lot of medical experience. She is invaluable to us!

Elaine cleans for us on Tuesdays and jumps in whenever anybody needs a hand! She also helps transport fuzzies, boards ferrets and helps out wherever needed.

Rick & Laurie clean on Wednesdays and spend quite a bit of time making sure everybody is clean, happy and played-out. Laurie is also on our fundraising committee helping to ferret out funds for our Shelter.

Rhonda cleans for us every Thursday, and then comes back nearly every Saturday with Rick to help out with adoptions. She and Rick keep everybody's nails clipped, the

shelter organized and are a couple of wonderful volunteers!

Jeremy visits every Thursday and helps cart out the ridiculously heavy garbage, keeps our sharps containers empty and fosters ferrets for the Shelter. He & Chrissy also donate Starbucks' baskets for our events and they both help out wherever needed, which is great!



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**Join us at this year's Ferret Frolics on Sunday, June 26th at Kirkland's Marina Park. See our website for details.**

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Annie cleans for us on Fridays and does all of the Shelter's laundry. With ~70 ferrets on-site, you can imagine how much laundry we can produce! She also spends hours making sure everybody has played and is doing well. Thank you again!

Karie cleans for us on Sundays and takes home bitey ferrets to work on their manners. She has done a fabulous job so far and we so appreciate her willingness to help.

Kristin mans the voicemail and returns all the phone calls we get at the Shelter. She also contacts people interested in volunteering at the Shelter and coordinates existing volunteers. Additionally, she helps out on Saturdays, alternates cleaning with Karie on Sundays and lends a hand wherever needed. Thank you again for all that you do!

Kayla, wonderful Kayla! She runs the show on Saturday, makes sure that everyone gets out to play, verifies that everyone's box is clean and that food/water have been checked. Thank you!!

Julia has been volunteering for some time now. She helps Kayla with the cleaning on Saturdays, does intakes for new fuzzies, plays with the kids and helps out wherever needed.

Leanna writes our thank you notes for us, cleans when needed, helps with transport down south, runs our forum and is also on our fundraising committee. Thank you also to hubby Ross for sharing her with us!

Susan participates on our fundraising commit-



tee, prints off posters, more than graciously donates to the weezils and is a wonderful friend to boot. Thank you!

Cara takes care of the money, which is never an easy task. She saves us all from worrying over funds and makes sure we stay where we should be financially. She also fosters ferrets, pulls ferrets from shelters, arranges transport/meetings, picks up supplies and much, much more! Thank you



also to Jeff for lending a hand with surgeries, and being a handy man where needed :)

Charity & Jason have been with the Shelter for almost

as long as it has been around. They foster ferrets for the Shelter and lend a hand transporting wherever possible. Jason is also quite handy and we so appreciate his help!

Of course, we've got to thank Dr. Cathy again for answering emails, calls and helping all those fuzzies at the Shelter. She also has many wonderful ideas for helping the Shelter to run smoother and we certainly couldn't operate the Shelter without her.

Thank you also to Lorayne for fostering some of our elderly kiddos, helping out with those ferrets that require round the clock care and for also donating so generously.

And then there are all of our wonderful foster parents! Thank you Angie, Cara, Carrie, Christina, Cindy, Dave, Hella & Dave, Jason & Melanie, Jessica, John, Kaity, Kelly, Kristin, Leanna & Ross, Lynn, Marika, Megan S, Phil, Rhonda & Rick, Sarah, Trudie & Breezy and Twyla for fostering ferrets that require a trip to the Shelter each month for their Lupron

shot. These wonderful folks provide older ferrets with medical problems a home & a family to call their very own. They also monitor the ferrets for any medical issues and coordinate with us to get them in to see our vet.

In addition to the folks that routinely bring their fuzzies in for medical care, there are the folks that are temporarily fostering ferrets until they can find a new home through the Shelter. Thank you for helping provide these kiddos a temporary home and treating them like your own kids. Thanks go out to Jennifer, Karie, Kristin, Kayla, Rick & Rhonda, Charity & Jason, Cara & Jeff and Jeremy & Chrissy.

Thank you also to our transporters who go and pick up ferrets from shelters and/or owners and then bring them up to the Shelter. Thank you Charity & Jason, Kevin, Leanna & Ross, Elaine, Kristin, Rick & Rhonda and to all those that have helped out!

Thank you to Ryan for hosting our website for us, running our newsletter list and answering any questions we may have!

Thank you to our donators—we cannot thank you enough for helping us keep our Shelter running! Thank you again: Tami Young, Bradley Noiset/Pamela Grieger, David Ellis, Tambra Brown, Leanna & Ross Aker, Richard Byne, Christopher McKee, David & Leslie Barrett, John & Trudie

W a l s h , Carol & Stan Lucas, Joanne Johnson, Terrance & Christina Anderson, Larry Walter, Diane Papworth,



## We'd like to thank cont'd ...



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Volunteers are always welcome! If you are interested in joining our team, please see our website at [www.washingtonferret.org](http://www.washingtonferret.org) for more information or email us at [washingtonferret@yahoo.com](mailto:washingtonferret@yahoo.com) with any questions you may have. We will get back with you shortly. Thank you!



## What's New?

### Shelter Update:

It continues to be hoppin' at the Shelter. We have more ferrets than ever and have physically doubled in size since last year. Incoming ferrets continue to stream in and where we used to see an actual "dumping season" in years past, we haven't really seen that this year—the surrenders have been arriving in a pretty steady pace since mid-winter.

If you're considering volunteering this summer, we'd love to have you! Spreading the workload between all of our wonderful volunteers helps it be an easy job for everyone. If you have a talent, let it be known, we're more than happy to give you something to do!

### Happy Tales:

Would you like to share your experience adopting, fostering or sponsoring a ferret? We'd love to hear from you! Please send your story & a picture or two to [washingtonferret@yahoo.com](mailto:washingtonferret@yahoo.com) & we'll get it posted right away!

### Ferret Frolics:

Please join us at Exotic Pet & Bird's Annual Ferret Frolics on Sunday, June 26th at Kirkland's Marina Park. Directions, registration forms and more information can be found at: [www.washingtonferret.org/events.htm](http://www.washingtonferret.org/events.htm)

### Wanted: Pooper scoopers and ferret wranglers!

We have an opening for a Shelter cleaner once a week during the day. Responsibilities include: cleaning boxes, filling water & food, checking on all the ferrets and letting the kids out to play! Nothing too hard. Must have own transportation and be dependable.

We also have a few fuzzies that have not yet learned their manners. If you are an experienced ferret owner and would like to try your hand (or fingers) with the biters, we could definitely use your help! Send us an email at [washingtonferret@yahoo.com](mailto:washingtonferret@yahoo.com) if you'd like to help.

## At the Bridge ... We would like to remember those fuzzies who brought us so much joy... Their time with us was too short.

We were so sad to see Matilda go. She was an old lady when she was surrendered to the Shelter. Between Kayla & Jennifer, she probably saw more love than she had in a long time. Thank you both for alternating & taking care of fostering her—she knows how special she was.

Our hearts go out to Lorayne. She has been through several losses back to back and we would like to extend our sincere condolences over the loss of Basyf, Nike &

Morgan. These sweet kids were her babies, and we know how difficult it was for her to lose them.

Sweet Ohana, the butthead, is playing at the Bridge. He was initially surrendered to the Shelter because he slept too much and his people thought he should be put to sleep. Charity, Jason & Cassie provided him with a wonderful home and many wonderful years. Cassie, big hugs to you—we know he was your special little

guy.



## Ferrets Seeking Homes ...

### Adoptable Ferrets

Please see our [adoptable pet list](#) on our website for current availabilities. Adoption fees range from \$75 to \$100 for one ferret, \$150 for two, and we have a [foster program](#) as well. All ferrets have been vaccinated against Canine Distemper & Rabies and have been spayed/neutered and descented (unless otherwise noted).

**Bailey** (silver blaze, m) & **Margarita** (DEW, f) are cute & friendly ferrets. Margarita can be a bit nippy and will need an experienced owner. Bailey is a wildman that loves to dance up a storm.



**Ben & Jerry** are 2 year old BIG dark sable boys. They get along well with others and are sweet-hearts!

**Boris** is a sable male that doesn't get along real well with other ferrets. He's older (4ish) and is presently healthy. If you'd like a single boy, he's the ferret for you!

**Sosa** is a feisty champagne girl that isn't fond of other ferrets and **Cartman** is an adorable lug of a boy that enjoys cuddling with his humans and playing with his buddy.

**Chloe** is a sensitive 3 year old dark sable and **Mr. Elliott** is a goofy 3 year old champagne boy. They are kind of particular about which ferrets they like, but they both do great with people.

**Claudia & Louis** are nice, older ferrets searching for a home of their own. Both Claudia & Louis will have their teeth cleaned & will be checked by our veterinarian before leaving.

**Cybil & Damian** are two adorable silver/sable girls. They are fat & fluffy and would love to go to a new home soon.

**Diablo** is a big 1 year old sable boy

with a cream head and **Hades** is a big, dark sable boy that's around 2 years old. Both ferrets occasionally bite and will need an experienced home.

**Bandito** is a chunky-monkey of a boy. He likes certain other ferrets and has a sweet personality & loves to give kisses.

**Fred** is a very sweet boy that's around 45 years of age. He gets along well with other ferrets and loves attention.

**Hunter** (sable, m) & **Patty** (dark sable w/ white toes, f) are only 6 months old and are just as cute as cute can be. They won't be here long!

**Isis** is as cute as a button, but has a bad habit of biting. She will need to go to a ferret-savvy home where she will be understood.

**Jake** (dark sable, m) & **Archie** (sable, m) are sweet boys looking for a new home. Both boys are about 3 years old and get along well with other ferrets & dogs.

**Jerry** is an older chocolate boy with a crooked nose and **Kayla** is a younger, mellow girl. Both ferrets do well with others and are as sweet as can be.



**Lewis** is an adorable dark-eyed white male that's around 1.5 years old. He just arrived at our Shelter, but already seems very friendly and is fitting in great.

**Maddie, Precious, Newton & Timmy** all came in together recently. They've been checked for parasites and are all ready to go to their new home. We will split this group in pairs if needed.

**Marvin** is a busy, young guy that's bursting with energy. He would love to go to a home with other ferrets, or to someone that can spend lots of quality time with him.

**Mork & Mindy** are cute 1.5 year

olds. They get along well with other ferrets and are a fun pair!

**Mercury, Neptune, Jupiter & Mars** all came in together. They like other ferrets and can be split in pairs or go by themselves to a home that currently has ferrets. The four boys are all large, dark sables that are around 2 years of age.

**Oozie & Silver** are two fluffy white boys. They recently arrived at our Shelter and are as sweet as sweet can be. Come see them soon!



**Pishka** is a 1 year old silver male and **Kyky** is a 1 year old chocolate female. Both get along well with

other ferrets and would happily move into any group. Come see them today!

**Ranger** (sable, m) & **Peaches** (albino, f) are both around 2-3 years old. Peaches has cataracts in both eyes and has limited vision. She may bite if scared. Ranger is a chubby cutie and is a sweetheart.

**Ron, Sugar, Spice & Hermie** are all sable ferrets between the ages of 2 and 4 years of age. They play well with others, are all very sweet and even play nicely with kitties. They would love to go to a home together, but can be split in pairs if necessary.

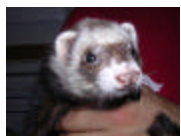
**Sasha** (choc, f), **Aaliyah** (choc, f) & **Apricot** (albino, f) are sweet girls that are between 2.5-3 yrs of age. They're sweet with people and with other ferrets. We'd love to find them a home where they can stay together since they've become pretty close buddies.

**Skittles** is a 2 year old chocolate girl and her buddy, **Gracie** is a 2 year old dark sable female. They are sweet, playful and are in need of a new home.



**Sparkling** (m, DEW) & **Phoenix**

(m, sable) are two cute boys that are looking for a new home. They're around 2 years old and are sweet-hearts.



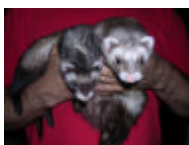
**Spaz** is a gorgeous 1.5 year old silver boy. He would love to go to a new home where he can be an only child, but can get along with some ferrets.

**Sugar** is a cute 6 year old female. She would like to go to a home as an only ferret with a family to dote on her for the rest of her days. She is litter box trained and will see our veterinarian before she is adopted.

**Tess & Rigby** are two silly sable girls. They play well with other ferrets, have been vaccinated and would be the perfect addition to pretty much any home. They are between the ages of 3-4 and would love a new home this Summer.

**Tiny** is a 4 year old albino male & **Etta** is a 1 year old dark sable female. They get along well with other ferrets and are very nicely mannered kids.

**Trinity, Marlin, Baby G Neko & Scratchy** all came in together this past weekend. They like other ferrets as well as each other. They can be adopted with one of their buddies or into homes with other ferrets.



**Walter** (m) & **Miss Weasel** (f) are two very sweet & cuddly fuzzkids. They have made themselves right at home in the arms & hoods of our volunteers.

### **Foster Ferrets**

*Note: We do not charge an adoption fee for our foster ferrets, though many of them will require a vet visit (or many!) in their golden years. The Shelter provides medical care and any medications that your ferret will need in exchange for a monthly donation to help cover your*

*ferret's medical costs. Even just a few dollars, once a month, helps keep our foster program running, so that we are able to continue helping elderly/ill ferrets.*

**Autumn** is a sensitive sable point female. She is 4 years old and seems to get along just fine with other ferrets. She will need to be monitored closely to make sure that she continues to eat in her new home.

**Mischief** is a 5+ year old ferret. She will need to take medication twice daily, and would love to be fed soup regularly in a warm & loving home. She gets along well with other ferrets and is seeking a retirement home. Let us know if you'd like to care for Mischief throughout her golden years.



**Mish & Mash** are twin sable boys. Mish is a sweetheart and is very cuddly. His brother, Mash, can bite very hard. They will need a ferret-experienced owner to work with Mash until he gets over his need to bite people. He is getting better with extensive handling, but he still needs work. Mish has a lobe on his spleen that will need to be removed surgically & Mash has a lobe on his left adrenal that will also need to come out. We'll be during surgery on these boys in the next month or so.

**Precious** is a tiny silver girl & **Lucky** is a smaller chocolate boy. Both love to cuddle & need to stay together for their own well-being. Precious can be nippy at times, and will need to go to a home without small children. Precious was recently diagnosed with adrenal disease and will need to come back to the Shelter once each month for a Lupron shot.

**Sammy** is a 6-7 year old silver boy. He is looking for a home with an extra hammock that



would like to see him through his golden years. Sammy gets along well with other ferrets, eats soup twice daily, sleeps a lot and loves to cuddle.

**Spunky** definitely lives up to his name. He has adrenal disease and will need to return to the Shelter once each month for a Lupron shot. He is an alpha ferret, but does get along well with others in good time.



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### Our Wish List:

Donations of time or money are always gladly accepted & appreciated!

Hammocks, Security Cubes—homemade or store bought, we can always use hanging sleep sacks of some sort.

Wood stove pellets for litter (found at Safeway, local hardware stores, the Grange, etc.)

Cages or carriers—clean or dirty, we don't care!

Volunteers to wash laundry, scoop boxes, scrub cages and cuddle ferrets.

More foster homes! Do you have room in your home for a few extra fuzzies for a few days/weeks? Do you have any medical training or are you interested in learning? Let us know!

Ferret Food (Mazuri, Totally Ferret, Marshalls & The Ferret Store's Superior Choice)

I am moving! Please see below:

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