

Three Rivers Ferret Council
Mini Newsletter



May 2012

Next Meeting

Sunday, May 20th, 2012

12:00: Unload and set up
(Helpers only please. Helpers needed)

1:00: Socialize & eat

1:30: Store opens

2:00: Meeting starts: business & reports

3:00: Wrap up & raffle, store closes

4:00: Meeting adjourned

(please help with tear down and van loading)



May 20th Meeting
Creating Record Books

This month will learn how to create record books for our ferrets. This will help your vet when you have all your ferret's information with you at the time of your visit, especially if you visit more than one office or for emergency situations.

Sample record documents will be handed out, along with a handout and links to down-loadable forms. You may wish to bring a 3 ring binder and past records for you ferrets.

There will be a pot luck (bring something small is you can) to share with all the Parents. Drinks will be provided by the club. And don't forget to shop at our store. You will be supporting the club with your purchase.

Speaking of Shopping and Supporting

iGive.com

After you buy at the club store for your ferret, go home and shop for yourself as well. And guess what, you will STILL be supporting Hide-E-Hole No Kill Shelter.

Just go to www.iGive.com. Where it says "Select Cause" put in there "Hide-E-Hole and it will automatically show up. Then feel out the information and join.. ITS FREE.

iGive.com will give up to 26% of your purchase. For just signing up, iGive.com will donate at \$10.00, \$5. for just using iGive & \$5 for your first purchase through iGive to you charity of your choice.

Here is some info on why you should join....

iGive has been online since 1997. iGive.com is the internet's first shopping mall where purchases benefit the shopper's favorite cause.

There are over a thousand online stores that participate in their program.

There are 54,866 charities and non profit organizations that are listed with them.

To date, iGive.com shoppers have raised over \$6,108,906.39 for their charities.

There are many stores to chose from too. So if you do a lot of online shopping, just do it through iGive and help support the shelter.

For those who already are members and supporters of Hide-E-Hole Ferret Rescue, since September 4th, 2004, Hide-E-Hole supporters raised \$506.05. How nice is that. And just think if we all did that how much more Hide-E-Hole would get. I joined, now how about you?

You can check out the stats here:

<http://www.igive.com/html/causestats.cfm>

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ANSWER TO THE QUESTIONS ARE IN THE PUZZLE

- 1) What animal were ferrets trained to hunt?
- 2) What does "ferret" mean in Latin?
- 3) Imrab-3 is the vaccine of choice for what disease?
- 4) What do ferrets do for 18 hours a day?
- 5) What family does the ferret derive from?
- 6) Ferrets have very poor_____ that can be deadly in the heat of summer ?
- 7) A ferret "flipping on the floor and bouncing off furniture while making chirping or dooking sounds" is known as what?
- 8) What do you call a group of ferrets?
- 9) What was the name of the ferret in the movie "Along Came Polly" starring Jennifer Aniston?
- 10) What were the names of the first ferrets cloned? (May 2006) _____ & _____.
- 11) In 1889, ferrets were used in the White House to eliminate what?
- 12) What state's Colonial Navy had a ferret as a mascot?
- 13) Ferrets have been _____ for over 2000 years?
- 14) We as ferret owner are known to be called?
- 15) Besides California, what other state are ferrets illegal?
- 16) Duck soup is known to the ferrets as _____ ?
- 17) Ferrets need lots of this for 2 or more hours a day.
- 18) What is Barb's shelter called?
- 19) Where is the ferret's favorite place to poo?
- 21) Ferrets like to stash their _____.
- 22) A mother ferret of a litter is called a _____.
- 23) A male ferrets is called a _____.

Gone But Not Forgotten

We are remembering the ferrets that have crossed over the Rainbow Bridge.

Our condolences to their owners. If you would like your ferret to be remembered, send the appropriate information to trfc@3rfc.org



**Kobun - Shannon and Dave
Moore**

Bliss - Sonia Moore

**Shared Memories
"Kobun"**

by: Shannon Moore

Kobun was such a sweet and accepting boy...Fearless and ready to take life head on...Curious and ready to pioneer new adventures with his brothers and sisters. Kobun has been with us from the very beginning, being our 3rd kid. And has been through a lot, love and loss...new home...etc and never did that change him. We will forever miss our beloved Kobun (11/11/07 - 4/24/12).

Shannon and David Moore



TRFC YAHOO GROUP DISCUSSION LIST

Tap in a wealth of advice and information. Join the TRFC Yahoo discussion list! It's easy - just ask Barb (bcarlson@andrew.cmu.edu) for an invitation link, click on the link and you're done!



HADDOCK AND SIMON
owner JOE REMBISZ

I recently adopted 2 ferrets from the Hide-E-Hole Rescue, Haddock and Simon. I picked two older boys: Haddock was fine and Simon was underweight and had an issue with his tail. In the first few months that I had them, Simon has gained his weight back and is doing great. I find the shelter is a great resource for all things ferret.

Since Aaron's accident I have been volunteering to clean cages once a week. This experience alone has been very valuable to a new ferret owner like my self. I have learned a lot from Barb and the other volunteers. Where else are you going to get to work with sick ferrets. I have learned how to give ferrets medicine they need, which I know I will need to do at some point with my older guys. Seeing it done over and over I feel more comfortable that I will be able to do it when needed. Getting to see sick ferrets and older ferrets in person makes it easier for me to keep an eye on my 2 guys to make sure they're doing ok.

Cleaning litter boxes I see the first signs of a sick ferret in their poop. If I see anything odd I ask questions of Barb or volunteers. I got to see a ferret go completely hairless and bounce back to a full coat again with medicine. I would have been so sad if this happened to my guys and not knowing with proper treatment they can rebound. I also got to meet a ferret whose physical problems were just too much for him, so he had to be helped to the bridge by Barb. All this experience is preparing me to take good care of my old boys in the future. So if you have time, volunteer. Its more than scooping poop. It's a wonderful learning expience as well. Plus you get to play with the ferrets, too.

Joe

MEMBERSHIP INFO

RENEWED: Linda Michling

NEED TO RENEW: Christine Lustig, Terrie Wall, Susan George, and Greg & Jennifer Meeker

TOTAL MEMBERS: 29

Hide-E-Hole News - Between 4/1/12 - 5/1/12

For those who do not know, shelter owner Barb Carlson's son Aaron was in a serious motorcycle accident at the end of March. He is improving slowly. Daily updates are posted on Facebook at the

[Aaron Knaus' Fan Page](#)

You can also find information there for donations to help cover his expenses.

In shelter news, there are volunteers coming over to do the main shelter work, but more are always needed. Please help if you can. We once again chose not to ask Barb for detailed updates although there HAVE been new additions to the shelter in the past week.

Ferrets in: * ; Deaths: * ; Ferrets Returned to Shelter: *; Ferrets Adopted: 2; Left to be Fostered: * ; Ferrets in Foster Care: * ; Ferrets in Shelter: *

Supplies needed: Wood pellet litter, paper towels, EVO Dog little bites. Since the TRFC is a 501(c)3, and if you keep your receipts, you can write them off on your taxes.

Volunteer Opportunities: Cage cleaning, helping with shelter records and book keeping, Nails and Ear cleaning before meetings - you can help load the van too!

Go to www.hide-e-hole.com for news about the shelter and ferrets.

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