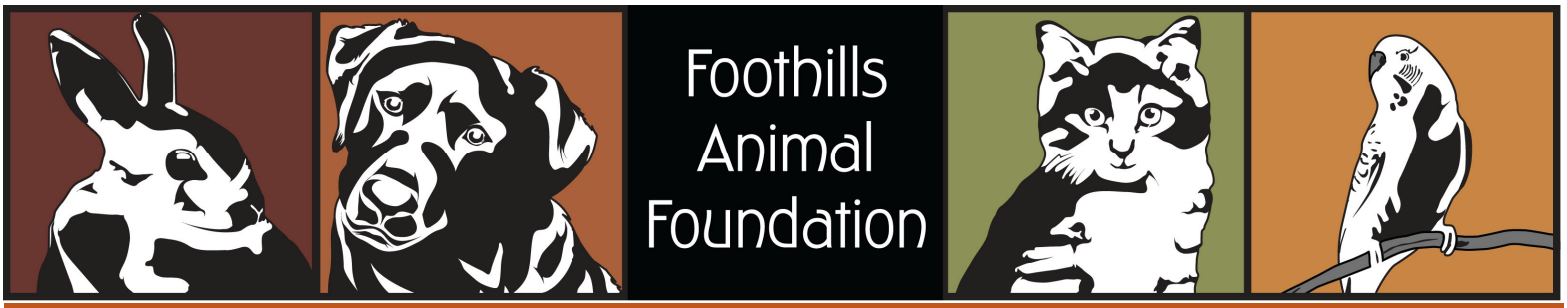

Critter Columns

January 2011

Colorado Gives Day a huge success for Foothills Animal Foundation!

Thanks to the generosity of several hundred animal lovers, Foothills Animal Foundation exceeded all expectations by raising over $99,000 in just 24 hours on the first annual Colorado Gives Day! Our supporters came together to donate over $96,000, and because of this extraordinary outpouring, Foothills Animal Foundation received nearly $4,000 from the matching fund provided by FirstBank and other local corporations. Community First Foundation hosted the first Colorado Gives Day on December 8th, 2010, to encourage Coloradans to more actively engage in philanthropy within their communities. On behalf of the thousands of animals that enter our doors every year, thank you for choosing Foothills Animal Foundation as the recipient of your contribution!

For $14 a month you can provide support to an animal in our care.
$168 is the average amount required to care
for one animal during their stay at Foothills Animal Shelter.
Donate now by clicking the link below!

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Furry Feature: Molly

Molly, a one-year-old Boxer Mastiff mix, came to FAS in September of 2010. She was dropped off, along with a note from the family that saved her, that explained a bit about Molly's past. The note described Molly's household life as being "volatile and negative". At Molly's first home, she was constantly yelled at and was abused by her owners. Those owners decided they could not take care of Molly, so she was given up to another family. Her second home was the same as, if not worse than, her first home. Her second owners continued to violently beat her, and she was often left alone for days at a time. The family that rescued Molly learned of her abusive past from an acquaintance and they decided to confront the owners. The owners agreed to surrender Molly to this family, who brought her to FAS. When Molly first arrived, she was very timid and fearful of men. After some time, and dedicated care from FAS staff, she learned to not be so fearful of men and became a more trusting and loving dog. Molly was adopted from FAS in January of 2011 to a very loving and nurturing home.

Foothills Animal Shelter Contact Information/Hours of Operation
Mon.-Fri.: 11a.m.-7p.m., Sat.-Sun.: 10a.m.– 6p.m.
580 McIntyre St., Golden, CO 80401
Phone: 303.278.7575
www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org

Furry Feature: Fluff

Fluff, a seven-year-old domestic long-haired cat, was brought to TMAC (Table Mountain Animal Center) in February of 2010 after being abandoned in an apartment complex when her owners decided to move. Fluff was left behind without any food or water; she was left to die. Neighbors heard noises coming from the vacant apartment but they didn't think much of it. One morning, a curious neighbor decided to peak into the apartment to see what the noise was about. To his surprise, he found a cat! When the neighbor found Fluff, she was in bad shape. Fluff was severely malnourished, and her hair was completely matted to her skin. She was in dire need of medical attention, so the kind neighbor decided to bring her to TMAC. Once Fluff arrived at the shelter, she was immediately attended to by the Animal Care staff. After being groomed, fed, and given IV fluids, Fluff was back to her healthy, social self, and was put up for adoption shortly thereafter. Luckily, Foothills Animal Shelter does not place time limits on how long a pet can stay in our care. Fluff spent over **300 days** at TMAC/FAS waiting for her forever home and finally found it in December of 2010. Fluff learned that forever homes are not always just around the corner; sometimes it's worth waiting for that perfect match.

MARK Your Calendars!

240 Union Percentage Day

When: Wednesday, February 2, 2011 (Groundhog Day: the only animal themed holiday all year!)

Where: 240 Union Restaurant, 240 Union Blvd., Lakewood, CO 80228, 303.989.3562

What: Dine out to help out! Join us at 240 Union Restaurant for **lunch** or **dinner** and participate in the Percentage Day. 240 Union will donate 25% of proceeds from ***all food sales*** made on February 2 to Foothills Animal Foundation. We will have an informational display and a FAS representative to answer questions about the Shelter. So be sure to call and make your lunch or dinner reservations now to help out our furry friends. See you there!

Save the Date to Help Save Lives!

Foothills Animal Foundation is excited to announce the 2011 schedule of fundraising events. Please consider including a corporate sponsorship in your 2011 budget, and join us on the golf course, at the gala, or both as we raise funds to ensure every animal is given the best chance at a better life.

- June 13, 2011: 5th Annual Mulligans For Mutts Golf Tournament, Lakewood Country Club
- July 21, 2011: Denver West Percentage Days, Barnes & Noble and other Denver West retailers
- July 23, 2011: 2nd Annual Raise the WOOF! Gala, The Mathews Collection

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Furry Feature: Maru

The morning of January 8, 2011 a seven-year-old Siberian Husky mix was found wandering the FAS parking lot. The dog was quickly brought into the Shelter to be processed. Fortunately, the dog had a microchip, and was registered to a man living in Idaho. A FAS staff member called the owner of Maru to let him know his dog was found. He was ecstatic to hear Maru was safe and sound. Maru had gone missing in late June of 2009, and she had been missing for over 18 months! The owner made arrangements for Maru to be picked up from the Shelter, and they were reunited a few days later. Maru's owner told FAS, "It was like she had never left. When we arrived at the house, Maru immediately ran up to my other dog, and they started playing. It was like nothing had changed!"