



## GREENWOOD

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Please join us at *Wild Night for Wildlife*, Greenwood's biggest fundraiser, on Friday, September 26. Enjoy an evening of fun and fundraising with Master of Ceremonies Gary Shapiro of Channel 9 News. Don't miss the silent auction with something for everyone, an open bar with wine and beer, and a buffet dinner. An exciting live auction and special appeal presented by well-known auctioneer Don Martin will follow. All proceeds benefit the orphaned and injured wildlife at Greenwood. To register call 303.823.8455 or go to our website, [www.greenwoodwildlife.org](http://www.greenwoodwildlife.org).

As the top bidder, you could enjoy one of many auction items including:

- One-week stays in beach condos in Maui and Akumal, Mexico
- Extensive package of wines, most of which are unavailable in Colorado
- Three-night stay in luxury Manhattan apartment including airfare for two from Denver
- Gourmet chef's dinner for eight in your home
- Work, live and wrangle on an authentic Colorado cattle ranch, good for two people for one week

More items are coming soon;  
see them at [www.greenwoodwildlife.org](http://www.greenwoodwildlife.org).



## Wild Night for Wildlife 2014

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Thanks to our Sponsors to date!

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# GREENWOOD Chatter

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*Greenwood Wildlife Rehabilitation Center is a not-for-profit corporation that is devoted to the rehabilitation and release of injured and orphaned wildlife. We have been in existence for 32 years.*

*We are named after "Greenwood," who was the first raccoon rehabilitated and released by our organization. Since then, we have successfully treated and released thousands of animals. Greenwood now maintains one of the largest wildlife rehabilitation facilities along Colorado's Front Range.*

*In October, 1993, Greenwood obtained 501(c)(3) status from the IRS as a non-profit charitable organization. The vast majority of our funding comes from the generosity of concerned citizens, businesses and foundations.*



*Tiberius, the baby raccoon*

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## EXTRAORDINARY ACTS OF KINDNESS

As another busy summer season begins to wind down, we near the anniversary of the Colorado Front Range September Flood. It's hard to miss all the good in people as we reflect on events that have occurred during the past several months. Throughout the summer, strangers continued to help strangers recover and rebuild, but these extraordinary, selfless acts weren't limited just to people.

Greenwood has seen some extraordinary acts of kindness toward wildlife this summer. Tiberius the baby raccoon was found drowning in a river next to his lifeless mother. His rescuer performed chest compressions, hoping to ensure the little guy would make it to our Intensive Care Unit. He did, lethargic and quiet, but alive. He thrived at Greenwood, growing up with other orphaned raccoons that will all be returned to the wild this month.

Then there's Lucky, a young Western Kingbird who fell from her nest at the top of a United Airlines hangar. She barely missed getting squished by the front tires of an incoming Boeing 757. A group of airline mechanics nestled her in a box with a soft t-shirt, and one of them took the little bird home so that his wife could bring her to Greenwood the next morning. She joined our other Kingbirds in the nursery and was released a few weeks later.

Another example is the mother Mallard who laid her eggs in the enclosed courtyard of Balfour Senior Living in Louisville — an inviting and safe natural habitat but with no viable route to march flightless ducklings to open water. Balfour contacted Greenwood for advice, and residents and employees alike pulled together to ensure the little ones' safety until the family could be relocated to a nearby lake weeks later.

Even our friends in animal control have been going the extra mile. Officer Milford with Longmont Animal Control took the time to save several ducklings stuck in a storm drain and brought them to Greenwood. Another Longmont officer united an orphaned gosling with geese foster parents after the little one got a quick assessment and clean bill of health from our rehabilitators. *(continued on page 2)*



*Lucky,  
the Western Kingbird*



*Mallard duckling*

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## DEAR FRIENDS,

It's hard to believe I'm approaching my six-year anniversary at Greenwood. Time flies when you're having fun! However, my longevity pales in comparison to the commitment of our seasonal animal care staff. They return year after year, often making huge sacrifices to do so.

Allison Mata began working with us in 2007 as year-round staff. She has now graduated from vet tech school and has a full-time job at a vet clinic during the winter. She cuts back to work here in the summer because she loves the environment, teamwork and giving back to the community and animals in need.

Sheila Holliday started at Greenwood in 2009. Now a fully licensed wildlife rehabilitator, she returns each year because she loves working with the animals and the Greenwood team. Sheila volunteers at Greenwood in the off-season and also cares for pigeons in her home.

Chad Wickham is a fully licensed rehabilitator with a degree in wildlife biology. Now in his fourth year at Greenwood, he returns each busy season in order to live out his passion of working hands-on with wildlife. He is particularly interested in endangered species.

In his third year, Dane Madrid keeps coming back because, compared to other animal-related jobs, he truly feels he's making a difference. In the winter he works construction, giving him the freedom to return to Greenwood each summer.

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And Boulder Animal Control took the time to investigate a case of possible animal cruelty after a Good Samaritan brought a couple of battered Mallard babies to our Center.

We're inspired by the compassion we've seen in our community over the last year. Your extraordinary acts of kindness are our motivation. Keep it up! Together, we are building a better, more enlightened world to share with our wildlife.

Caitlin Sweeney has also joined us for her third year. To quote Caitlin, "This is the first job I ever truly loved. It is so rewarding watching the animals grow from tiny babies until they're ready for release." She also enjoys teaching the volunteers and spreading the word about the importance of saving wildlife. Last summer, Caitlin kept her full-time winter job and, with her position at Greenwood, worked 80 hours per week!

Amelia Gazzo has her provisional license in wildlife rehabilitation and a degree in zoology and biology. She is a vet tech in training and during the winter has worked in doggy daycare and in a mobile vet clinic. She keeps returning to Greenwood because she is continually learning more and never, ever finds it boring, despite this being her third season with us.

I am so grateful for the rest of our committed and talented seasonal staff and year-round employees in animal care, administration and our stores. We are a consistent and positive team. That trickles down to our incredible volunteers and supporters, and, more importantly, to the animals who depend on us for their survival. With your generous donations, we can keep Greenwood strong!

Sincerely,



Linda Tyler  
Executive Director

## GRUB TOURNAMENT RAISES \$11,000

Many thanks to Grass Roots Ultimate (GRU) for choosing Greenwood as the beneficiary of their 23rd annual Grass Roots Ultimate Benefit Tournament. The generosity of disc players, vendors and their Board of Directors resulted in a donation of more than \$11,000 for the birds and mammals in our care! To learn more about GRU and playing Ultimate, visit [www.gru.org](http://www.gru.org).

## GREENWOOD THRIFT SHOP AND CONSIGNMENT GALLERY

What does operating a thrift shop and consignment gallery have in common with a wildlife rehabilitation center? Actually, quite a bit!

We are reminded on a daily basis how much our community cares about our natural environment. People donate to and shop at our store not only to help our immediate animal care needs but also to actively choose a “greener” way of living that lessens the impact consumers have on wildlife. Our customers also choose Greenwood because we are local. Keeping donations, volunteer opportunities, and

employment right here in Colorado connects us with our human neighbors while supporting our wild ones.

As the wildlife center provides a comfortable home for the birds and animals in their care, so do the stores provide for our human “nests.” Most of our clientele have been drawn in through recommendations of friends. Our helpful professional staff and beautiful offerings are well worth talking about. Volunteers are often attracted by the opportunity to work in such a pleasant shop. Because of our reputation, we have experienced

enthusiastic growth. We have more than 1,300 consignors who bring us quality furniture, jewelry, and home décor. Our consignment sales have increased an average of 14% per quarter since we opened in 2012. We expect this trend to continue as the community enthusiastically recommends our business, and our professional staff increase their knowledge of how to best serve our customers. Come check out the best thrift shop and only nonprofit consignment store in town!

## SHE'S GOT FRASS

Boy, are worms in demand around here! While birds at Greenwood eat earthworms and waxworms, mealworms are the main staple for the majority of them. This type of worm is the larval form of a species of darkling beetle and an important food for injured and orphaned birds in rehabilitation. From robins to swallows, Greenwood's nurseries are brimming with songbirds clamoring for this juicy, nutritious delight, but worms are also very expensive! Two years ago we spent more than \$14,000 keeping our feathered friends well fed. To reduce our costs, Greenwood inaugurated a Worm Wrangling program last winter, complete with a Chief Worm Wrangler and volunteer, Page van der Linden.



Page van der Linden

Page dedicates two days a week to Greenwood, in part to help keep this

program running smoothly. Worm wrangling is a two-month-long process that results in the harvesting of thousands of mealworms for our ravenous patients and thousands of dollars in cost savings for Greenwood. It also results in a lot of frass, also known as worm poop. Just like any patient in our care, worm wrangling comes with some serious clean-up duties. Page diligently and without complaint sifts the frass from nearly a dozen worm beds of bran every week. In this way, she ensures each stage of the life-cycle process — from egg to larva to pupa to adult beetle — continues without interruption. Her diligence resulted in a harvest of more than 50,000 mealworms this past winter!

Because of the commitment of volunteers like Page, Greenwood can implement new and exciting programs that benefit our animals, reach out to the community and use resources as efficiently as possible.

Want to get involved? Worm wrangling is a great project for classrooms and folks who don't have the time to make a weekly commitment to animal care. For more information, please email Jenny at [jenny@greenwoodwildlife.org](mailto:jenny@greenwoodwildlife.org).

## GREENWOOD ESTATES



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## GOT WINE?

No? Well, we do! Life's too short not to drink good wine for a good cause. These custom-labeled bottles of organic wine all feature former Greenwood patients. There's something for every palate:

- Cormorant Cabernet Sauvignon
- Chickadee Chardonnay
- Red Fox Malbec
- Merganser Merlot
- Pine Squirrel Pinot Noir
- Raton-Laveur Sauvignon Blanc

Order one. Heck, order all six! For each bottle you buy, \$6 of the purchase price will be donated back to Greenwood. To order, visit [www.BenefitWines.com/greenwood](http://www.BenefitWines.com/greenwood).