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LEE'S SUMMIT, MO June 25, 2007 – Furry Kids Refuge announces the second annual Applebee's "Flapjack Fundraiser" scheduled to take place on Saturday, June 30, 2007 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar located at 205 Melody Lane in Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Furry Kids Refuge celebrity and special needs dog, Boomer, will be there to greet you and enjoy a pancake of his own.

"We are grateful to Applebee's for holding this event for Furry Kids and appreciate their continued support," states Kim Accurso, President. Last year's "Flapjack Fundraiser" was held in Overland Park, Kansas and raised about \$1,200.

Janet Barber, Fundraising Chairwoman, explains, *"Furry Kids Refuge is an all-volunteer organization. At any time, we have about 80 dogs and cats under our care. They depend on the gifts and generosity of the community. The 'Flapjack Fundraiser' will help us raise funds needed to provide safe haven, feed, foster, and find permanent homes for the animals in our care."*

Tickets for the event are \$10. Children 8 years and under and seniors 55 and better may purchase a ticket for only \$5. Tickets may be purchased at the door the morning of the event or on the Furry Kids website.

Most of the animals rescued by the Furry Kids Refuge come from area shelters. In 2006, 624 animals were saved, 353 animals were spayed or neutered, 56 animals were provided dental cleanings, and 11 animals that tested positive for heartworms received treatment. Over \$44,000 was spent on veterinary bills.

Furry Kids Refuge is a nonprofit, no-kill, rescue organization and network of foster homes dedicated to rescuing dogs and cats, providing care and refuge in unfortunate situations where pets are abandoned, surrendered, abused, or displaced. Furry Kids Refuge believes that all animals deserve respect and should be treated with dignity in all circumstances, creating a healthier and kinder community for humans and animals alike.