
'Cat special' will honor Stevenson

WEDOWEE - Last month Randolph County Animal Shelter had 48 adoptions, making a total of 6,219 adoptions since it opened Oct. 27, 2007.

A part of that success is due to *The Randolph Leader* newspaper. It is with a great deal of sadness that we learned of the loss of John W. Stevenson, publisher and editor of *The Randolph Leader* newspaper. As you may know, the *Leader* loves cats and there are always a couple to greet you at their office door. So, in Johnny's memory, RCAS will do a cat special for the entire month of March; all cats will be free to a good home, including their spay or neuter voucher.

Sweetie

Sweetie, a pit bull terrier mix, was brought to RCAS 'skin and bones' with no body temperature on Feb. 1, almost frozen to death from the

outdoor environment. The RCAS staff laid out floor pads, blankets and a heating pad and curled up with Sweetie, as she struggled to live. Food was prepared and she ate a little, but she barely moved for 24 hours. The next day we rejoiced that she made it and was walking and eating. She has been gaining weight for two weeks in anticipation of her ride to a northern rescue partner, where she will have all her needs taken care of, including vet care and an adoptive family who will love her.



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Photo sessions

The volunteer photo team, Ellen Wiley Sims, Linda Ann Barber, Patt High and Kees Collee did four photography sessions with the dogs in the fenced Bark Park play area. They used toys and treats to help get the best action/beauty shots they could, showing the pet's face, body and personalities too! The dogs got some sun and exercise with the toys, as photographer Ellen took high-resolution beauty shots with natural lighting. The multiple views of each dog or cats (done indoors) are then placed on the RCAS Facebook, PetFinder and website pages, so clients can "shop online."

Used book sale

The next book sale fundraiser for RCAS will be held at the Roanoke warehouse

on April 6 and April 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The bi-annual book sales are a large part of the shelter's income, and they ask for your book donations to increase their sales inventory, please! Shelter staff and volunteers gratefully accept your books, CDs, DVDs, tape donations at any time during our business hours at RCAS, Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Or you may leave items on the covered porch at the Old Cotton Warehouse in Roanoke, as well. (This is across from *The Randolph Leader* newspaper and Cedarwood Cemetery.) RCAS is unable to accept encyclopedias, textbooks, magazines or VHS tapes, as they are poor sellers.)

As always we thank you for supporting YOUR SHELTER with donations and volunteering.

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