## Animal shelter reaches 1,000 adoptions

"Randolph County Animal Shelter has reached a huge milestone in its five years of operation! On July 3rd we had our 1000th and 1001st adoptions," manager Debbie Moncrief said.

Marjorie Medsker and her sister, Charlotte Folkening, made the nine-hour drive from their home in Indianapolis, Ind. to Wedowee to adopt Broc, a three-monthold Black Mouth Cur puppy. When she arrived at the shelter, President Chuck Smith and Debbie Moncrief were there to greet her.

Mrs. Medsker asked to see all of the puppies that were available for adoption because she had decided to share her home with two puppies instead of just the one. When she saw Rosebud, a Redbone Coonhound puppy, she loved her.

"We were elated when she decided that Broc and Rosebud were both going to their new Indiana home, and Mrs. Medsker was surprised when President Chuck Smith told her that Broc was our 1000th adoption," Moncrief said.

Smith and Moncrief presented Mrs. Medsker with a large puppy bed filled with treats, toys, Paddlin' 4 Paws T-shirts and koozies, and Puppy Chow.

RCAS President Smith told Mrs. Medsker that the puppies were free to her with the purchase of their spay/neuter vouchers. Also donated to the 1000th adopter was a beautiful and patriotic floral arrangement created by Ann's Flowers in Roanoke, and donation of a delicious free meal of choice to the adopter and family by Lakeside in Wedowee.

"It was a very memorable adoption for RCAS and for the Medsker family," Moncrief said. "They have since e-mailed us about their trip back home and how Broc and Rosebud have met the entire family. We are pleased to note that they are doing wonderful and are having a fun-filled time at their new home," Moncrief said.

"We are pleased to be a part of a program that can bring so much joy into so many homes. It is nothing short of wonderful to have accomplished this goal. The board members, volunteers and staff at RCAS work tirelessly to find homes for all of the RCAS animals, and the adoption rate shows it," said Smith.



Marjorie Medsker (right) and Charlotte Folkening became the 1000 and 1001st adoptors when they took Broc and Rosebud from the Randolph County Animal Shelter. With them is RCAS president Chuck Smith.