

# *The Rocky Report*



It is hard to believe that I have been here in Montana 30 days now. This is where I belonged in the first place. But I guess the lesson here is that everything comes to those who wait.

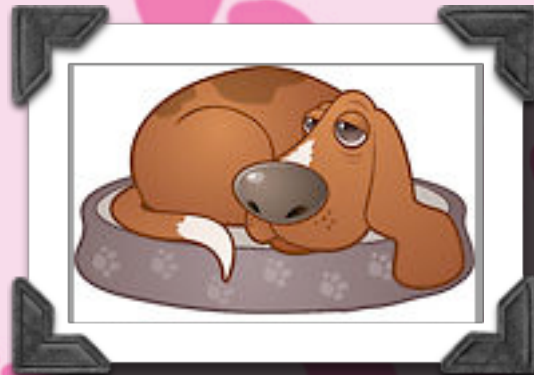
Jim is kind, patient, reliable and loving. He gives me lots of praise and when I do something I am not supposed to do, Jim patiently distracts me with food and then shows me what to do. It's great! No one has ever done this for me before.

We are best friends already! It is simply wonderful. I know the commands for "follow me," "come," "sit," "stay," "come in," "do you want to go out," "cool it (to stop what I'm doing)," "off (to get down from the bed or stop counter surfing)," "go out into the yard," and "come in from the backyard." And yes, I can hear what Jim says and I like that too! Jim says I know everything I need to know and this makes me happy.

I let Jim know when I want to go out and when I want to come in. I also let him know when I want to play by getting excited and barking at Jim. Jim waves his arms and I run and run and run. What fun.

Today some people came over and visited. Jim said he was surprised that I was such a good dog. I didn't jump up on the friends who visited or bark at them. After they came into the house I just went about doing what I do naturally.

At night I either sleep in my bed. It's next to Jim's bed or Jim lets me sleep up on his bed. Either way it feels safe and secure. I love my new life and would not trade it for anything in the world.



*Rocky*