

# The Rocky Report

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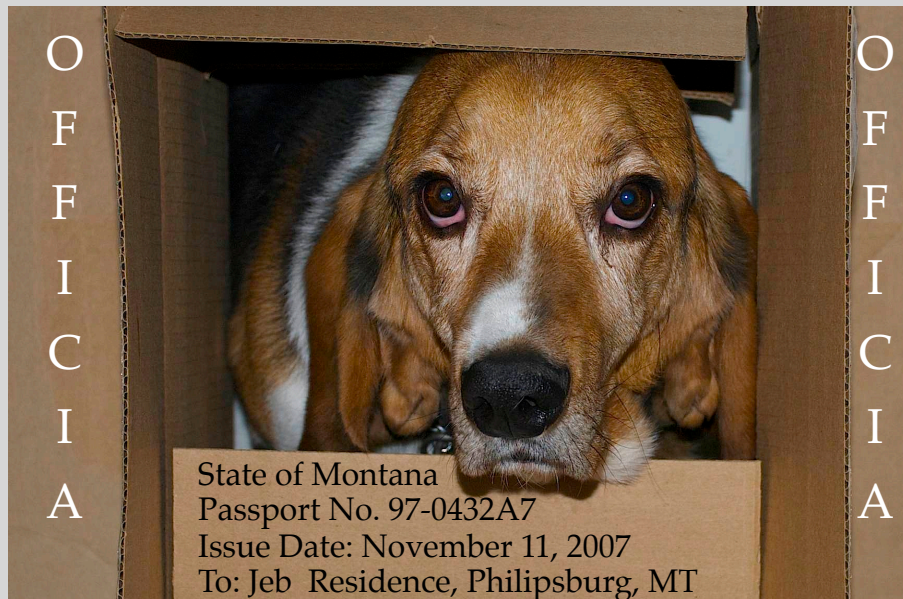
## A Special Story About Jeb ...

Here is a story I thought you would enjoy as much as I did. It is a story about Jeb, my master's former Basset Hound. Jeb had a special bond with my master's mother who lives back east.

Several weeks ago Jeb came into the house and advised me that he wanted a passport. I asked why. He said he wanted to travel east. I told him he did not need a passport to travel in the United States, but he would have none of this. He told me Ellie, the Basset Hound next door, told him he needed a passport to travel and to get one as soon as possible because the federal government was imposing new restrictions on who could get a passport in a week or so. I told him this was ridiculous. He promptly told me that I was RIDICULOUS, and went outside.

Minutes later I heard howling. On looking out the window, there was Jeb and Ellie howling to beat the

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being recognized before he arrives at his appointed destination, where ever that is.

Jeb received mail from the State of Montana a couple of days ago. He wouldn't show me what he received, but I suspect he received his passport as he wagged his tail really fast!

Jeb won't tell me where he's going. All he will say is EAST ... OF COURSE !!! I

band so to speak. Really yukking it up I guess. I don't know whether they thought they had pulled one over on me or not.

Oh – before I forget – Jeb received a letter from my mom about his passport. She reassured Jeb that he did not need a passport to travel in the United States and that what I told him was correct. He says that he is reassured now, coming from my mom and all. So, he tells me, if he decides to leave the state that he can do so at any time without the State of Montana's permission or mine. Of course, he goes on to say that if he leaves that he will wear a disguise – go incognito. He just does not want to take the chance of

asked east of where? He said EAST OF NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS !!! WOW, what a response ! Can you image that?

As for me, Rocky, I would have really liked to be friends with Jeb. He had that Basset Hound disposition that I like a lot !!!

Happy New Year to all. May the spirit of Christmas reside in you heart each day of the new year to come.

P. S. At last, the sunporch and kitchen are done. What a way to start the new year. My favorite thing is to get on the couch and look out the window.

