

## Dr. Belinda Tedder Honored as RMCC Outstanding Alumnus



Dr. Belinda Tedder was named the 2009 Rich Mountain Community College Outstanding Alumnus Award at the College's Honors Ceremony. Dr. Tedder completed her Associate of Arts at RMCC and then went on to receive a biology degree at UA Monticello. Thereafter she continued to pursue her goal to become a veterinarian, and today is a veterinarian at the California Veterinary Specialist Emergency Care in Oceanside, California.

Dr. Tedder shared kind words regarding her time at RMCC when visiting with Dr. Wayne Hatcher, RMCC President, by phone. Dr. Tedder stated that Mr. James Lynn, science instructor at RMCC, is in her mind "the best ever" when looking over all the instructors she had throughout her education. She stated Mr. Lynn prepared her, motivated her, and made the sciences interesting and enjoyable. Mr. Lynn in turn had high praise regarding the strengths of Dr. Tedder.

Continuing, Dr. Tedder shared she has never for a minute regretted staying at RMCC for her first two years of college. She stated when she transferred from RMCC she found herself as prepared, or even more so, than many of her peers at the university level.

Dr. Tedder was unable to attend the RMCC Honors Ceremony, however her mother, Rose Tedder, accepted the award on her daughter's behalf. Dr. Tedder will also be honored at the 2009 fall conference of Arkansas Association of Two-Year Colleges as RMCC's Outstanding Alumnus.