

If you weren't able to join in the "Fur Ball" fun Saturday night we can share that it was simply a blast! We will report how much money was raised for the shelter next week after all the deposits are made but know it was a raging success! Congratulations to the five winners who split the \$5000 winnings: Karen Thompson, Jason Paris, Tom Walthall, Melvin Nearing and Lauryn Beckham! And lucky Greg Sayers won the ultra-modern Yeti Cooler! We owe a tremendous round of applause to Wes Matthews, Leah Thomas, April Cartwright, Derona Wilson, Kayla Baker, Angie Harper & Amanda Formby of PrimeSouth Bank for developing and executing everything to make the Fur Ball such a super evening for everyone! More thanks to Mr. Earl Singleton and the staff at Quail Walk Country Club for a great venue, to Auctioneer Paul Levins for ramping up the bidding, to all who donated items for the Silent Auction and door prizes, who donated food and drink, and who purchased tickets and came out for an evening of fun and to help raise money for our shelter and all the animals we care for! Thank you all so very much!

As this week is a time for all of us to give thanks we want to take this opportunity to share our gratitude with so many who are so important to our shelter family. Many, many thanks to our board and staff who are all about animals 24/7 and strive to make our shelter the best it can be for the animals in our care.

As a non-profit organization we can never thank our volunteers enough as they truly make the difference so that we can be a shelter that makes a difference – those who make our Thrift Store our single most successful fund raising activity and the volunteers who help at our Saturday PETsSMART adoption events are critical in helping even more of our pets find their new homes. All the volunteers who help us in the shelter, take puppies to nursing homes, man our booth at area events, vote for us on on-line contests, tell others about us and simply provide moral support are our life blood and we are a better shelter for your support.

We appreciate our partnership with the Animal Control Officers who work daily to protect the public & help animals in need. Veterinarians are absolutely critical to our adoption program, and to animal welfare throughout the area, and we greatly appreciate all they do to educate pet owners and help pets live better and longer lives.

While are eternally grateful to all the individuals and businesses who donate money, supplies, pet food, services and Thrift Store items. Thank you in a huge, huge way!

We are grateful to the civic, business and private groups who invite us to participate in their events and who have allowed us to have our own events at their locations. We want to publicly thank the Montgomery & Prattville PETsSMARTs for their support to our adoption program resulting in hundreds more pets finding homes each year. And we are grateful to the media for publishing our shelter news and pet of the week and getting the word out about our shelter happenings!

We have special fondness for those who give such wonderful homes to our adopted pets and those who rescue pets in need. We are indebted to the public who supports our mission directly and indirectly – your moral support for the welfare of animals is important to all of us in the sheltering community and helps keep us going on the down days. A group that we also want to thank is those we may never meet. Thank you to those who love and care for your pets, keep them safe at home, make sure they have identification at all times and cherish them always.

Our final and most heartfelt thanks go to all the wonderful animals that willingly share their lives with ours and bring such love, joy and companionship to our families. We love them all!

We hope everyone has a family filled Thanksgiving and so that our staff can also enjoy some time with family, the shelter & Tails End Thrift Store will be closed 27 & 28 Nov, but will be back open on Sat, 29 Nov. **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**