

Humane Society of Elmore County News – 22 Feb ‘16  
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If you were not able to join us Saturday night for our 6<sup>th</sup> annual ‘Getting Down with the Dawgs’ Drawdown then all we can say is, you really missed out on a fun evening. The crowd was lined up down the sidewalk for the Wind Creek Wetumpka Entertainment Center doors to open at 5 pm and they were not disappointed as the venue and entire evening was simply perfect! We truly cannot thank everyone at Wind Creek for their tremendous hospitality and service to a packed house. The food was fantastic as always and the setup was spot-on for our Drawdown.

Everyone remarked at the fantastic table decorations and all thanks go to Chris Sisson, Rita Caswell and Genie Kline for their imagination, talent and hard work! Many thanks to Sandy Faulk, Patti Kaleta and Dawn Sullivan for getting everyone off to a great start at check in and again at the end when paying out to very happy winners!

[Powersounds USA](#) and [DJ Ziggy](#) truly helped ensure our evening was fun and entertaining as he is the consummate professional Master of Ceremonies with awesome music, video and lighting equipment and we greatly appreciate Ziggy’s hard work and support to our shelter.

We were lucky enough to again have our very own local performing, recording and American Idol star, [Jessica Meuse](#), join us as she performed three of her most popular songs. We truly love Jess’s support to our shelter and how much she and her entire family love animals and are there for our shelter. Thank you Jess!

While everyone, of course wants to win the BIG money prize, we had many door prizes throughout the evening thanks to more wonderful shelter supporters so please thank Prime South Bank, Must Stop Café, Our Place Café, CORNUS Kennels & Papa Roc’s for their generosity and also a pat on the back to Jennifer Tritz and Charline Pope for rounding up our prizes and getting them out to the winners. Our Board Members truly deserve high-fives as they worked to ensure a quality event for everyone and that just doesn’t happen overnight but as a result of months of planning and coordination – we are lucky to have such a dedicated group of Board Members!

The two people we must single out as the founders of this event starting six years ago are Jimmy & Kim Baker! They make sure our event is accomplished without a hiccup and we truly cannot thank them enough for donating their time and expertise that resulted in \$23,000 raised for our shelter! Simply outstanding – thank you Jimmy and Kim!

In the end and after a great evening the final ten tickets holders all agreed to split the \$10,000 amongst themselves. The final winning ticket numbers were: 46, 52, 62, 107, 120, 155, 185, 203, 222 & 280. Three of these most wonderful winners then turned around and gave back their \$1000 which is how the shelter ended up with a total of \$23,000 for our animals!

We are always humbled by the support of so many and it shows how many people not only love animals but have faith that we do all we can each and every day for all the animals that need us. On behalf of our board, our staff and the homeless and unwanted animals we care for, thank you ALL so very much!