



# The Sunrise

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**The Dawn of Hope Spring Luau** presented by  
*Thank you for our biggest and best year yet!!*



**T**he Dawn of Hope Foundation hosted the 8th Annual Spring Luau at the Millennium Centre in Johnson City on Thursday, May 3. A BIG thank you to event Major Sponsor Cherokee



Distributing Company, sponsors, donors and ticket holders – we increased our profits 35% from 2011 raising more than \$58,000!! Proceeds will help fund educational and life enhancing programs for the service recipients at Dawn of Hope.

That night, \$10,000 fell into the hands of Amy Dark. Another \$2,550

was given away in smaller cash prizes to 17 lucky winners noted on pages four and five.

The event would not have been possible without the dedication of the event's planning committee, including Tim Smith, Maureen Mulroy, Nancy Brickey, Jeff Brunson, Marsha Grindstaff, Sam East, Rob Hungate, Harvey Justice, Tim Jones, Angela Shrewsbury, Rob Sampson and Lynda Wexler. Executive Director Lee Chase praised members of the committee for a successful event. In addition, he thanked members of the Dawn of Hope Foundation Board of Trustees and the Dawn of Hope Board of Directors for selling 449 raffle tickets. Top sellers were Tim and Valda Jones, 63 and Harvey Justice, 54.

We cannot thank the community enough for its support of this event as well as its support of Dawn of Hope. Our agency is blessed to have such generous and concerned partners to help us care for the wonderful individuals we serve. Thank you for standing with us!

If you would like more information about Dawn of Hope events, please call the Dawn of Hope Foundation at 423-722-1689 or visit [www.dawnofhope.com](http://www.dawnofhope.com)



Board member Rob Sampson (top); Board President Jim Jordan with Donna (above); Amy Dark wins \$10,000 prize (left).

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## Houses for Hope completes sixth home in Unicoi County!

The Dawn of Hope Foundation recently completed the sixth and final home in the Unicoi County Houses for Hope project. The new homes feature three bedrooms, two full baths and double garage, with wide doorways and ramps to accommodate wheelchairs. Funding was made possible through a grant from the Tennessee Housing Development Authority, Bank of Tennessee and the Dawn of Hope Foundation. Technical and grant assistance was provided by Eastern 8 Community Development Corporation.

Houses for Hope began in 2006 as a result of the struggles experienced by the Residential Services Department in locating affordable handicap accessible homes in the area. Until then, Dawn of Hope had to add ramps, widen doorways and modify showers to adapt the rental homes to the needs of current service-recipients.



Through community partnerships, Houses for Hope has constructed a total of thirteen handicap accessible homes throughout the Tri-Cities region. We express sincere appreciation to Contractor Supervisor Ronnie Carr for the quality work of the homes!

### Now accepting rental applications for Houses of Hope Residential Homes

Six 3-bedroom group homes (18 rooms) available for rent to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

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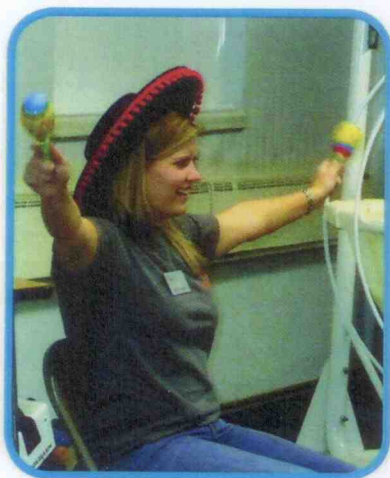
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## Developmental Program thanks Milligan College students!

**T**wo very special Milligan College Occupational Therapy students volunteered their time just before they graduated to demonstrate wheelchair exercises for our individuals in March. They provided props and fun music while teaching moves that would be beneficial to our individuals in wheelchairs.

Props included beach balls, cowboy hats, pompoms and sombreros. The props were used to create movement

to upbeat music like Day Dream Believer, Mickey, Boot Scoot Boogie, Surfin' Safari, the Macarena and Yesterday. They provided numerous learning opportunities for both our staff and service recipients. These students always have very useful and practical ideas. This was a fun time for everyone involved! Thank you!



## Home Planning class gets new "digs"!

**A** big thank you to C.W. & Sara Smith for donating the use of 1,800 square feet of land for the Home Planning classroom to build their garden! This year they are growing a variety of vegetables including peppers, tomatoes, okra, squash, cucumbers and zucchini. The cultivation of a garden encourages individuals to learn about healthy eating, growing healthy foods, as well as cleaning & preparing foods grown in the garden. This is a fun experience and brings such pride to all the individuals involved!

The Home Planning class is one of five classrooms in our Rotating



Developmental Program. The focus of the Home Planning classroom is to teach all aspects involved in food education including healthy eating, cooking, cleaning, and doing laundry. Classrooms such as these provide our service recipients an opportunity to learn the skills needed to lead productive and independent lives.



## Senior Center Visitors

*In February we had visitors from the Johnson City Senior Center. These charismatic women came in dressed as clowns, bringing cheer and laughter to the classrooms.*



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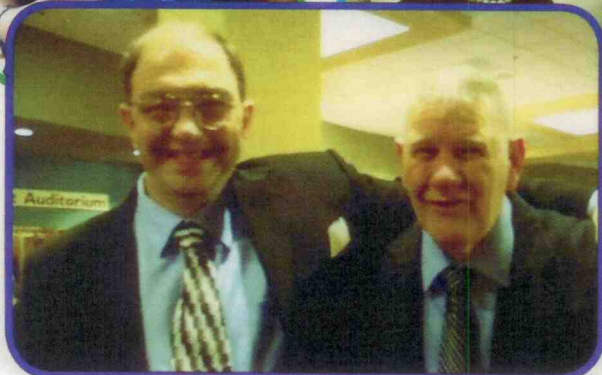


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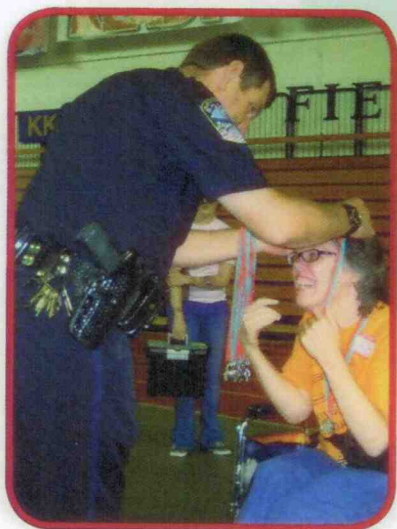
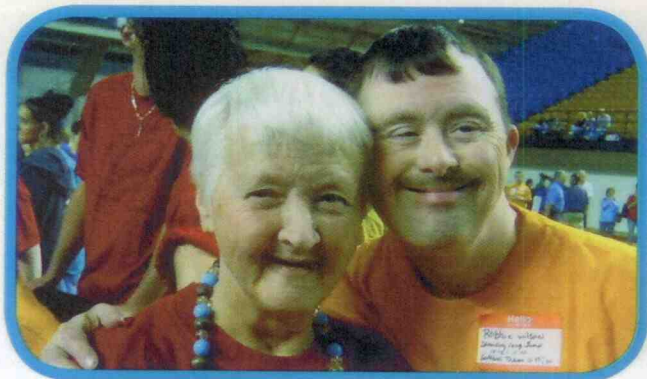
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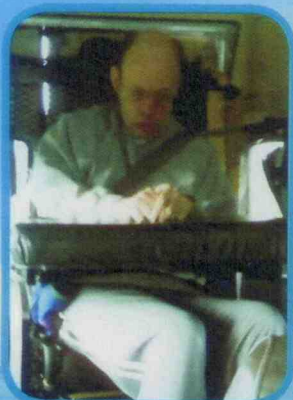
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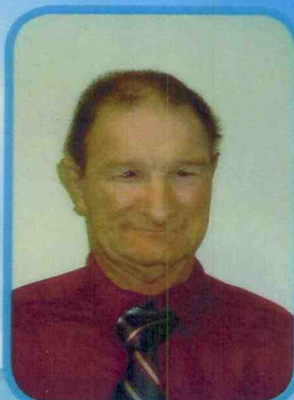
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