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



The 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



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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Applications available at Dawn of Hope 500 E. Oakland Ave., Johnson City 37601 or call (423) 434-5600



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