



Dawn of Hope

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Spring Luau Sets A New Record!

Presented by Cherokee Distributing Company, the 11th Annual Dawn of Hope Spring Luau raised more than \$64,000, all of which will help support life enhancing programs for more than 210 adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities served by Dawn of Hope!

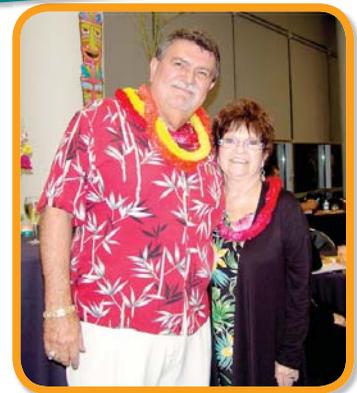
Held on Thursday, April 30, 2015 at the Millennium Centre in Johnson City, TN, this annual event brings in funding that is vital to the success of our organization, and every year we are humbled by the generosity of those who contribute to the event. We are sincerely grateful to our Major Sponsor, Cherokee Distributing Company, for their generous support of Dawn of Hope. We also wish to extend a BIG thank you to our remaining event sponsors, donors, raffle ticket holders and volunteers who helped make this year's Spring Luau a record-breaking year. Without the kindness and generosity from our business and community partners, we could not have held such a successful celebration.

Event guests enjoyed Hawaiian-style luau fare from the Millennium Centre and complimentary beverages from Cherokee Distributing and One Stop Wines & Spirits while enjoying a relaxed, tropical atmosphere. Guests had the opportunity to meet and/or dance with individuals served by Dawn of Hope and had the pleasure of hearing from Mrs. Maggie Nopo, the mother of service recipient Todd. She engaged the crowd with heartwarming stories about raising a child with disabilities and the crucial impact that Dawn of Hope has made on her entire family. Entertainment continued throughout the night with various activities, such as the \$10,000 Big Kahuna Reverse Raffle, live and silent auctions, complimentary photos from Mr. Picture Booth, and dancing to beach-themed music by 40 West.

M.B. Camak III from Nashville was the big winner, walking away with the \$10,000 grand prize! Another \$2,375 was dispersed in smaller cash prizes to nineteen other lucky winners. The generosity of our community shows no bounds; more than \$4,200 of the cash prizes were donated back to the Dawn of Hope Foundation!

The accomplishment of the 2015 Spring Luau would have been impossible without the hard work of several very important individuals – the Dawn of Hope Board of Trustees, Board of Directors and the Spring Luau Planning Committee. We are sincerely grateful for all of their time and effort to make this a top-notch event!

On behalf of everyone at Dawn of Hope, we extend our utmost gratitude to everyone who selflessly provided support and to those who worked tirelessly over the past several months to make this year's Spring Luau a tremendous success that was enjoyed by all! THANK YOU!



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Monday, August 17th
at the Johnson City
Country Club
Details inside...



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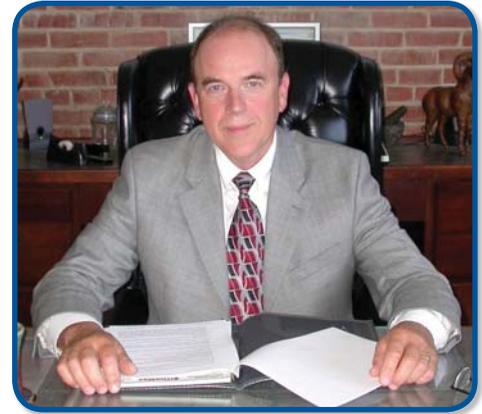
In just a few weeks it will be July 20th, ordinarily something that happens every year. However, this July 20th will be very significant to me as thirty years ago, July 20, 1985, was my first day at work with Dawn of Hope. The reality of that amount of time passing caught me a little off guard the other day, causing me to reflect on what those 30 years have meant.

First of all, I am certain there is no greater cause that would have been more meaningful for me to pursue.

Dawn of Hope's mission, "to enrich the lives of adults with intellectual disabilities," became my mission, which became the foundation of a beautiful journey filled with purpose and determination.

Secondly, would be the wonderful relationships through the years with other individuals in our community who have joined me on this journey with their time and resources to achieve this same goal. Board members, donors, staffs, families and organizations - all together have impacted more than Dawn of Hope; they have had a profound impact on me also. Together, united in a common pursuit, with generous and caring people led me and Dawn of Hope to where it is today. Without you and your assistance, the success of this mission and journey would not have had the same conclusion.

Finally, as I reflect on the lives and families that Dawn of Hope has seen over the past 47 years, I am so thankful to have been allowed to be a part of that. I started this journey "to enrich the lives of adults with intellectual disabilities," yet I truly believe that it is I who has been enriched. Thank you to all who have shared and continue to share this journey with me and those served by Dawn of Hope!



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Crawfish Boil donates more than \$5,000!!

A big thank you to the Garland Farm Estates 4th Annual Crawfish Boil! The event boasted 1,000 pounds of all-you-can-eat Louisiana-style crawfish with andouille sausage, potatoes, mushrooms and ears of corn. Plenty of ice cold beer and Mr. Darnell's fruity punch kept everyone cool while enjoying the funky soul music of the Louisiana-based Keith Horton Band.

Thank you to all the Sponsors who helped make this event a big success; Chaparral Buick GMC, Crossfit Johnson City, East Tennessee Brain and Spine Center, Ferguson, Knoxville TVA Employees Credit Union, Mitch Cox Companies and Construction, Peoples Community Bank, and Cherokee Distributing Co.



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Adventure, train rides, and excitement at Doe River Gorge!

Many thanks to the Milligan College Occupational Therapy students who organized the day! Because of them 12 service recipients were able to bond, relax and enjoy some fun in their community. A train ride through the gorge and a chance to meet the camp's equine friends were all part of their exciting day!

Events like these provide a positive social experience while educating our service recipients on new and different parts of the community.



Joy Prom

Every year, Service Recipients at Dawn of Hope enjoy an evening of elegance and excitement through Grace Fellowship's Annual Joy Prom. This community event offers food, dancing, and countless activities including carriage rides, games, car rides, and beauty stations.



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