

Humane Society of Elmore County News – 18 Mar '19
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Our 9th annual 'Getting Down with the Dawgs' Drawdown on Friday night was another fun evening with friends and fellow animal lovers who came together to help our shelter. In the end there were 12 happy winners (two tickets were split between two people) and over \$20,000 raised for our shelter pets! This money will go a very long way to ensuring we can always be there to help so many pets in need, to include those that come to us injured or sick and in need of immediate veterinary care.

Thanks to the decorating skills of Christopher Sisson & Rita Caswell the tables were springtime colorful and oh so pretty. Many thanks to Charla Stephenson, Patty Kaleta, Sandy Faulk, Michelle Williams, Charline Pope & Jennifer Tritz for getting everyone off to a great start at check in, setting up and helping with all the great door prizes and then for paying out at the end to very happy winners! Elaine Entrekin captured superb photos that are posted on our Shelter Facebook page in case you missed out on all the fun!

[Kyle-Co Entertainment](#) provided flawless sound and lighting support and greatly enhanced our event – thank you for another great year!

To kick off the actual Drawdown we were just thrilled that our very own talented singer, songwriter, animal lover, marathon runner and American Idol Season star [Jessica Meuse](#) performed two of her hit songs! Thank you Jess for adding to our event and gracing us with your fantastic talent!

As always, HUGE thanks to Jimmy & Kim Baker and their support crew for running the Drawdown portion itself to ensure the Drawdown runs seamlessly! We are eternally thankful to them for starting this event nine-years ago as it has brought in a cumulative amount over \$200,000 for our shelter since its inception! Simply fantastic!!

While not everyone can win the big money prize, many of our ticket holders left with some pretty nifty door prizes thanks to: Our Place Café; Allen & Joan Hackel; Eagle Motor Group in Wetumpka; Lake Dog Realty; Sandy Faulk; Patrick & Jennifer Tritz; Patty Kaleta; Lucia Penland, Chris Sisson & Jimmy Monk. Please thank all of these wonderful people who made sure we had such nice door prizes to give out!

We had a huge crowd up to the very end when the final ten tickets holders all agreed to split the \$10,000 amongst themselves. The final winning ticket numbers were: 53, 118, 121, 137, 145, 158, 184, 195, 236, 256. Congratulations to our winners and we truly hope that everyone who attended had a wonderful evening!

Our Volunteer Drawdown Committee works hard at planning for this event every year so please thank them for their dedication to making the Drawdown such a success.

And finally, HUGE thanks to everyone who bought tickets and all who came out to enjoy an evening together. We have such a great time seeing so many of our supporters under one roof and our board, staff and the homeless animals we care for thank you ALL so very much!