A Doggone Good Name

Several of Pulaski County's oldtime doctors had a fond place in their hearts for canines. There is no good explanation for this special bond, other than the fact that dogs can't ask their masters for free medical advice!

Still, a story about Dr. Robert Howlett of Richland and his family's favorite hunting dog seems to take this relationship one step farther.

According to an oldtime Richland barber, Dick Johnson, the good doctor stopped in one morning for a haircut. After telling about his new boy, who had been born overnight, Doc Howlett was asked what the baby's name was.

The doctor replied, "You know Clay, my all-time favorite hunting dog that we all love so much? We named him after old Clay."

And so was named Clay Howlett, longtime owner and manager of KJPW and KJPW-FM. His wife, Millie Brotherton, is current owner and manager.



DR. HOWLETT with a favorite bird dog. Courtesy of Millie Brotherton.