LIVE IN THE SUNSHINE

Camp ASCCA’s 43rd summer came with many firsts and plenty of “It’s good to be back!” moments. For the first time in Camp history, we hosted a bonus session at the beginning of the summer that allowed us to serve more campers who had been placed on the waiting list as summer registration quickly filled up earlier this year. Registration filled up faster than ever before, and we only see that trend continuing as we offer more programs and more campership opportunities.

We have had the opportunity to provide close to 6,000 camper days of service to campers from around the Southeast, and many of them were visiting for the first time. However, no matter how many times someone comes to Camp ASCCA, we are always seeing people experience new things like conquering fears at the zipline, learning how to swim, petting a farm animal for the first time and much more. Throughout the summer, we were joined by bands from around the country for evening concerts at the Big Stage and the newest program location, the BCK4T, and each night was unforgettable.

Many of you had the opportunity to visit us this summer, and we are so grateful for your continued support of everything we do here! The summer might be over, but the fun never ends. Stay connected with us by joining in for the fifth annual Jingle Jump fundraiser and keeping up with us on social media.

COMING UP:

- Sept. 28 - Campfire Girls
- Oct. 11-13 - Landmark Church
- Oct. 18-20 - ASCCA Fall Family Weekend
- Oct. 25-27 - Camp Seale Harris Fall Family Weekend
- Nov. 1-3 - Atlantic Pacific Tang Soo Do
- Dec. 13-15 - ASCCA Christmas Weekend
- Dec. 14 - ASCCA’s Jingle Jump Fundraiser

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On Tuesday, Aug. 7, members of the Alabama Elks Association visited Camp ASCCA for the annual Elks Day. The Elks have been supporting and serving Camp ASCCA for more than 15 years and their contributions can be seen all across the 230+ acres! The lodges represented this year include Anniston, Calera, Decatur, Mobile, Roebuck, Alexander City, Cahaba Valley, Cullman, Dothan, Bessemer and Auburn-Opelika. Director of Marketing Dana Rickman and the PR interns gave tours to Elks members, old and new, all morning long, and the main event was seeing the new tritoon boat, the “Floating Elk.” The new addition to the boat rides program was funded through donations from Elks around the state. Elks Day 2019 included a visit from Matt Kornegay, state president of Alabama Elks Association, and Shriley Jerrall, president elect, who presented Camp ASCCA campers with a generous donation of $50,000 that will support capital projects. We were also joined by Elks leaders and ASCCA board members Mike Thrasher, Wayne Reuter and Tony Glebisky. Camper C.C. Perry is a member of the Bessemer Elks Lodge and just so happened to be at Camp the same week. We were so excited to be joined by the Elks that campers and staff presented each member with their own ASCCA Achievement and balloons! We cannot thank the Alabama Elks Association and its members enough for their continued service and support for everything we do here at Camp ASCCA and the people we serve each day!

Meet Windsor Joye

Hi, my name is Windsor Joye! I was born with epilepsy due to a malformation of the left side of my brain. When I was 11 years old, I had surgery to get rid of seizures forever, and it was successful. I have not had any seizures ever since the brain surgery on August 10, 2010! However, immediately after the surgery, I was completely paralyzed on my left side, and intense therapy began.

I have seen my progress growing fast over time. I am still learning the way around simple things, such as opening containers and other everyday problems, because I do not have much use of my left hand and arm. In fact, I still wear a wrist brace and leg brace. However, my parents found out about OneHandCan.com and it has been so helpful for me to find my way to do things that others can do but I cannot, like specialized kitchen supplies for cutting food and opening jars. That is one reason why I love Camp ASCCA so much. They respect my disabilities and have found ways around them so I can do things I have never been able to do. I have always wanted to do a zipline, and I thought that would be my favorite activity at camp. But my favorite turned out to be tubing! Who knew I would ever be able to go tubing with only one hand to hold onto the tube? Camp ASCCA not only makes the impossible possible, but also makes unknown dreams come true!

The other reason I love Camp ASCCA so much is the opportunity to learn about other people’s disabilities, such as cerebral palsy, deafness, blindness and so many more! I have begun to study sign language because of one friend I met at Camp ASCCA in 2018. I love to learn about what makes each camper unique and how Camp ASCCA caters to and celebrates that uniqueness. I look forward to writing more about the Camp ASCCA experience and my own experiences in the Guest Blog.

Check out more blogs from Windsor on the Camp ASCCA website!
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Jingle Jump 2019
Jump in for camperships!

Last year, we raised more than $50,000 for the ASCCA Campership Fund, and we are setting our sights on an even higher goal for 2019. Will you join us?

How to jump in like this guy?

• EASY with ZERO fundraising fees.
• Individual or teams seek sponsors and raise funds via a personal fundraising site that’s provided by Camp ASCCA.
• ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS JUMP IN THE POOL! (costumes encouraged)
• The event will be held during Camp ASCCA’s annual Christmas Weekend on Saturday, December 14, 2019.
• Camp ASCCA would ask for a minimum donation from each participant for a campership, which is $725.
• Send in “Jumper(s)” name and contact information to Kasey Langley at kasey@campascca.org.

ROTARY DAYS

Throughout the summer, we were visited by members from Rotary Clubs around the state of Alabama. Each club and its members continue to offer an incredible amount of support to Camp ASCCA every year, and so for that we say THANK YOU!