



## SUMMER NEWSLETTER

2009

# Camp ASCCA VISION

WHERE POSITIVE LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCES ARE HAPPENING

## Starting off with a Splash!

Much of the fundraising our staff is involved in here at Camp ASCCA is to raise money for camper sponsorships - aka "camperships". Most of the children and adults with disabilities that attend summer camp need either full or partial fee sponsorship. Camp ASCCA has been very blessed to receive thousands of dollars annually to help make the dream of camp come true. Thank you to those of you who have supported our efforts. This time of year - summer - is what we all work for. Our Board Chair Richard Bollinger said it best "...It's a time of eager anticipation at seeing the twinkle in an eye of a returning camper or the smile of a new camper".

Our summer camps have indeed started off with a splash! We have so much to share with you. Please remember to visit our website at [www.campascca.org](http://www.campascca.org) to watch videos of our campers and staff, see thousands of photographs, and to learn more about what we are doing all year long!

The photograph shown here of camper Stormie is of her enjoying the accessible "Splash Pad". This is part of the excitement we see in these therapeutic sessions every week - made possible by people like you!!

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below, camper Stormie is sponsored by the Wadley Kiwanis Club



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## CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

- Jun. 28-Jul. 3 Session #1 Child MD/PD & Epilepsy Camp
- Jul. 5-10 Session #2 "Civitan Week" Adult MD
- Jul. 12-17 Session #3 "Teen Week" PD & Sports Camp
- Jul. 14 Golf & Yacht Club Dedication  
Annual Board Meeting  
Rotary Appreciation Day
- Jul. 19-24 Session #4 Child MD/PD & Sickle Cell Camp & Camp Clot Not Hemophilia Camp
- Jul. 26-31 Session #5 Camp Mobile Rotary
- Jul. 30 Camp ASCCA Staff Reunion
- Aug. 2-7 Session #6 Adult MD/PD
- Aug. 5 Alabama District Pilots Day
- Aug. 9-14 National Military Family Assoc. Camp
- Aug. 16-21 Alabama Head Injury Fdtn.
- Sep. 11-13 Alabama Park & Rec. Assoc. Fall Camporee
- Sep. 18-20 Autism Family Camp
- Sep. 24-27 Lakeshore Foundation camp

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## 2009 Camp ASCCA Staff Reunion

The reunion will be held during Camp Mobile Rotary Week which means you may recognize several campers from years past! And you better believe they will be thrilled to see you!

### Thursday, July 30, 2009

Here are the plans for the 2009 Camp ASCCA Staff Reunion. We have received a good response so far from people who have confirmed their attendance. It looks like every decade Camp ASCCA has existed will be represented by former staff! If you're wondering who will be here that you know, you need to come to find out! We truly hope to see some familiar faces on what is sure to be a fun day for everyone!

Please confirm your attendance ASAP. Since Camp ASCCA will be offering meals

and overnight accommodations, we need to know when you plan to arrive, if you're staying overnight, and how many people are coming with you. Please contact Allison Wetherbee at [allison@campascca.org](mailto:allison@campascca.org) or by calling 256-825-9226.

#### DETAILS:

- To be held Thursday, July 30, 2009
- You are welcome to bring your children and spouses
- There is no charge for the reunion
- Arrive anytime, have meals in the dining hall, stay the evening at camp
- Camp Dance Thursday night!

See more on [www.asccafriends.org](http://www.asccafriends.org)

## 5 THINGS I LOVE ABOUT BEING ON THE AQUATICS STAFF...

by Matthew Smith



Summer Aquatics Staff member Matthew Smith is back with us for his second year! He's a senior at Jacksonville State University where he's majoring in Recreation Leadership.

- ⑤ The weather & the work "attire".
- ④ The always exciting pool parties!
- ③ Helping with canoeing. Two of my favorite activities are canoeing and rafting.
- ② Driving the boats and sharing a lil' about Lake Martin.
- ① Helping a camper do an activity for the first time like swimming or tubing. It's the coolest thing in the world - amazing!

## ALLISON ON THE ROAD

Allison Wetherbee, Director of Public Relations, is very busy sharing the Camp ASCCA story. Here's where she's going & where she's been lately! Contact her at [allison@campascca.org](mailto:allison@campascca.org)

#### CIVIC CLUBS & OTHER EVENTS

- June 8th: Montgomery Rotary Club
- June 10th: Monroeville Rotary Club
- June 12th: Alexander City – Full Life Ahead Foundation of Hope Family Retreat
- June 23rd: Gulf Shores Kiwanis Club
- July 7th: Elba Rotary Club
- July 9th: WMU Women's Group in Slocumb
- July 16th: Bessemer Rotary Club
- July 17th: Foley Rotary Club
- July 24th: Auburn Civitan Club
- July 29th: Bessemer Kiwanis Club
- August 5th: Opp Rotary Club
- August 15th: Pilot Convention
- September 3rd: Delphic Women's Club - Dadeville
- September 10th: Alex City Kiwanis Club
- September 15th: Senior Citizens Club - Montgomery

## View 1,000's of pictures on Flickr!



Our staff takes the time to upload tons and tons of pictures onto the online photo-sharing website Flickr.com! You can access these easily by going to our website [www.campascca.org](http://www.campascca.org) then clicking on the "ascca sites" pulldown menu!



# A BIG DAY!

On Tuesday, July 14th, we'll be hosting our Annual summer board meeting and many visitors. You can visit too!

We have a full agenda for July 14th this year. We'll be dedicating the Camp ASCCA Golf & Yacht Club as well as hosting Rotary Day and many Pilot Club members and friends. The dedication is at 10:00 a.m. followed by camp tours and lunch. The Board meeting begins at 1:00 p.m. Please contact Dana Rickman at [dana@campascca.org](mailto:dana@campascca.org).



## Don't miss the boat!

The "yachts" are now sailing at the Camp ASCCA Golf & Yacht Club!

To make our new program area, the Camp ASCCA Golf & Yacht Club, complete we brought in a new fleet of six radio controlled boats.

After enjoying a leisurely 18 holes of miniature golf, campers can now relax at the Boathouse and

captain their very own "yacht" with the handheld steering remote. Of course our counselors and staff can provide steering assistance if needed and the Boathouse is certainly wheelchair-accessible for everyone's driving and viewing pleasure - a must for Camp ASCCA. See more at <http://campascca.org/2009/06/22/yacht-club-launches-at-camp-ascca>



Please welcome Camp's new Outdoor Adventure Director, **Amber Cotney**! Amber isn't "new" to camp, she's been working here since 2000 as a counselor, Unit Leader, and Head Counselor. Amber says that "the campers make my job the best job in the world. There are more hugs, smiles, and thank yous than I deserve and I'm amazed everyday that I get to be a part of the miracle that Camp ASCCA is."



## THE CAMP ASCCA OPEN

### 1ST MINI-GOLF TOURNAMENT A BIG HIT!

Over 70 players, volunteers and guests showed up for Camp ASCCA's first ever Camp ASCCA Open miniature golf tournament on May 22, 2009! Mr. Ronnie Dennis was the champion with a "3 under par" score. Thank you to everyone that came out to support the event! Special thanks to our Event Sponsors:

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## “Dr. LeBron Paige, UAB Epilepsy Specialist Visits ASCCA”

posted by Robert, 7/01/09

Dr. Paige was instrumental in helping many of our epilepsy campers attend camp this summer.

He's visiting to gain insights on how to increase participation among others, be the other doctors, medical staff, parents and more. We're grateful for his support of Camp ASCCA.

Dr. Paige met the campers today, then followed them through the activity areas. He visited the Camp ASCCA Golf & Yacht Club for some putt-putt and then off to dinner. After our evening meal, the campers then head out to the Talent Show!

Dr. Paige's interest in helping find and fund more children and adults for these camp visits is greatly appreciated. Further, his leadership will help us find and reach so many more parents and their children.



[HTTP://CAMPASCCA.ORG/2009/07/01/DR-LEBRON-PAIGE-UAB-EPILEPSY-SPECIALIST-VISITS-ASCCA/](http://CAMPASCCA.ORG/2009/07/01/DR-LEBRON-PAIGE-UAB-EPILEPSY-SPECIALIST-VISITS-ASCCA/)

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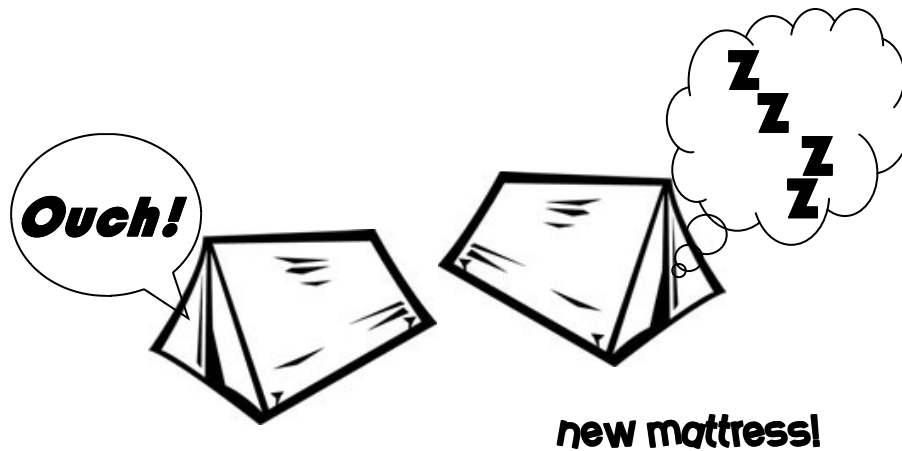
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## Summer Gear

The new '09 summer  
t-shirts, visors, and caps  
are here. Call to get your  
Camp ASCCA wearables today!



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*old mattress.*

*new mattress!*

## HELP US UPDATE OUR CABIN MATTRESSES AND PILLOWS!

I want to help make the bedding better for campers with disabilities!

- \$15.00**  
I want to sponsor a  
new pillow.
- \$125.00**  
I want to sponsor a  
new camp  
mattress.
- \$140.00**  
I want to sponsor  
a bet set (1 pillow  
& 1 mattress).
- \$280.00**  
I want to sponsor a  
full bunk (2 pillows  
& 2 mattresses).
- \$300.00**  
I want to sponsor  
a cabin full of  
pillows.

**Your name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

- \$2,500.00**  
I want to sponsor  
a cabin full of  
mattresses.

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