



## Coming Up:

June 23 - 27: ASCCA Session 0  
 June 30 - July 5: ASCCA Session 1  
 July 7 - 12: ASCCA Session 2  
 July 14 - 19: ASCCA Session 3  
 July 21 - 26: ASCCA Session 4  
 July 28 - August 2: ASCCA Session 5  
 August 4 - 9: ASCCA Session 6  
 August 11 - 16: ASCCA Session 7  
 August 19 - 23: Macon ARC  
 September 6-8: ARPA Weekend  
 September 13-15: Camp Frog  
 September 18-22: Lakeshore Fdtn



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# Sweet Summertime

The 43<sup>rd</sup> ASCCA summer is upon us, and the adventures ahead are going to be unforgettable. For the first time in history, Camp ASCCA is hosting a Session 0 during the last week of June to provide relief for the waitlist that has overflowed with campers hoping to attend a session this summer. With the addition of a new session, the weeklong training for staff has been properly condensed into a three-day weekend session. We cannot wait to introduce our new

staff to what we consider to be the greatest place on earth.

In just a few more days, campers will return to their home away from home and enjoy the many programs we offer here including the new Bck4T and the new tritoon. Since the official opening of the Bck4T in the spring, the new stage area has received rave reviews and will be a prime event spot this summer.

We would not be able to make these opportunities possible without the incredible support of people like you! Thank you to everyone who has donated this year to help so many of our campers attend a summer session, make new programs possible and allow us to continue improving our facilities. We hope to see you for a visit this summer. Contact Dana at [dana@campascca.org](mailto:dana@campascca.org) to set up a tour.



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# Camp ASCCA's Inaugural Rookie Camp

Friday, April 26 was the start of something new at Camp ASCCA. New campers and their parents made the trip to Camp ASCCA for the first ever Rookie Camp, a weekend to learn about the place so many people call home and the opportunities that are offered here. Each family was also paired with an experienced ASCCA camp counselor for any needed assistance or specific questions.

The schedule for the weekend allowed campers to enjoy almost every activity at Camp ASCCA, and parents were able to see the programs in action and find comfort in how the staff managed each activity. Throughout the weekend, we overheard parents talking about how impressed they were with

the staff and how they wished they'd known about Camp a long time ago.

We started the weekend with a concert at the newest program location, the BCK4T, and the Russell Craig Band performed. As families entered through the doors of what used to be the horse barn, amazement crossed every face along with a smile. Those who wished to enjoy the concert made their way towards the stage while others gathered around the arcade area to enjoy a little competition.

Saturday morning, while campers were having fun at the trampoline, nature and archery, parents had the opportunity to hear from a few ASCCA full-time staff members and discuss questions and concerns. There was no fear as many campers participated in activities that they have not had the opportunity to do anywhere else, and every time it ended with a smile and a desire to go again.

After lunch on Saturday, everyone gathered in the pavilion before heading to a variety of free choice activities. As the weather continued to

warm up, it was the opportunity for everyone to try out a few water activities at tubing, waterslide and the swimming pool. The cold water could not keep anyone away, and some parents even joined in. The zipline was also open to visitors, so many families visited there after drying off. Dinner arrived quickly, and then we headed to another location that had yet to be seen, the OutPost, for a little evening karaoke and a dance party.

Before leaving on Sunday, families enjoyed a couple more program rotations at canoeing, fishing, the splash pad and the LPR Zipline. Every camper was already excited to hopefully return this summer. It is safe to say that Rookie Weekend 2019 was a successful one, and we cannot wait to see these families to return during the summer for their first ever ASCCA summer camp experience!

Summer 2019 T-Shirts are available on-site for \$15 and online for \$20 (shipping included)!

## CAMP ASCCA SHOP

Visit the ASCCA Shop to find everything you need to show your ASCCA spirit this summer!



# Rotary 6860 & 6880: District Annual Conference

On Saturday, April 27, Camp ASCCA Administrator John Stephenson and Director of Marketing Dana Rickman traveled to the Rotary 6860 & 6880 Combined District Annual Conference to speak about Camp ASCCA. Organizations from around the region spoke about service projects, and John had the opportunity to discuss Camp and share a video

that showcases our activities with the group.

This year, the districts selected Camp ASCCA as the main conference service project, so they utilized the Camp ASCCA Amazon Wish List to help fill a variety of needs for Summer 2019. Wendy L. Taylor coordinated the project and presented John with the gifts.

There were a select number of items that were also delivered directly to Camp.

We'd like to say thank you to everyone in attendance at this year's conference and the many members of each Rotary Club for their continued support of Camp ASCCA!



## MEET THE PR STAFF



Meet Elise Quinn! She is a senior at Auburn University studying Public Relations and hails from Birmingham, Alabama. She is set to graduate in December and intends to pursue a career in the sports or entertainment industry.

This summer will be Elise's first summer at Camp ASCCA, and she states, "I am eagerly awaiting our first session and getting to capture all the smiling faces everyday. I cannot wait to build lasting friendships with the campers and counselors. I am so excited to see what this summer has in store for me."



Meet Isabelle Owen! She is a recent graduate from the University of Mississippi with a degree in Integrated Marketing Communications and a minor in Business. She also studied graphic design and is very excited to put all these skills to use.

She first found out about Camp ASCCA at the age of 13 when she attended Camp Seale Harris. Since then, she always wondered what it would be like to work at ASCCA. She says, "I was excited when I heard about the PR staff positions. Not only because it is something I am passionate about, but because of the impact ASCCA has made in my life."



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## Say hello to the 2019 PROGRAM STAFF!



Individual interviews with the program staff members are available online!

## Meet our new friends at the Dunn Center!



Terry,  
the Fancy Bearded Dragon



Salizar,  
the Gray Rat Snake



Beauregard,  
the Eastern Box Turtle

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online!



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Thank  
you!



Last quarter, we shared with you our plans to build a new tritoon for our boat rides program that happens at least every afternoon in summer. Thanks to the Alabama Elks Association and its members, we were able to do that just in time for Summer 2019. They raised \$40,000. Our staff cannot wait to get it out on the water and enjoy it with our campers in a couple weeks!

We'd like to offer a special thank you to everyone who contributed to the new boat purchase and allowed us to keep this program going for the many campers that love it!

