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Our mission is to help eligible individuals with disabilities and/ or health impairments achieve equality, dignity, and maximum independence. This is accomplished through a safe and quality program of camping, therapeutic recreation, and education in a year-round,

barrier-free environment.



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# King & Queen of Prom

**FOCUS** ON **PEOPLE** 

Everyone knows that the highlight of the "Teen Week" session is the Prom. This year's Prom theme was "This is Home," inspired by a song by the same name. For most campers, the Thursday evening dance couldn't get here soon enough.

Throughout the summer's "Teen Week" session, Camp ASCCA's grounds were sprinkled with signs campaigning the election of campers to Prom King and Queen. Most campers created "Vote for Me" signs, while others took a more creative approach. One camper even handed popsicles and lollipops advertising his campaign!

The "Big Day" started off with activities, but as soon as rest period was over, the Prom preparations began. Prom decorations were donated by a local high school, and members from Rocky Creek Baptist Church spent the entire afternoon transforming our dining hall into a dance floor. After prom pictures and a lovely meal, it was time to "boogie down!" Campers and counselors alike were moving and grooving to popular dance songs.

When it was time for the announcement of Prom King and Queen, prior year's royalty moved onto the dance floor. Cheers erupted as they announced that C.C. Perry and Ashley Moulin were our new King and Queen. The Prom

ended with their dance to the song "This is Home" by Switchfoot.



By the time the week's final slideshow was over and the last teary goodbye was said, it was certainly obvious that Camp ASCCA IS home to so many of our Teen Week campers. Prom means so much to everyone, and our theme says it all in the song's lyrics, "we are miracles and we are not alone...this is home."

For more 2008 summer stories and more, visit www.campascca.org/journal today!

By Danika Kmetz, 2008 summer PR intern

#### FALL DAYS ARE HERE!

Sept. 8-12 Macon Co. ARC

Sept. 12-14 Alabama Park & Recreation Assoc. Fall Camporee

**Sept. 15-19** Drake Middle School Day Camps

Sept. 19-21 Autism Society of Alabama

Sept. 26-28 Lakeshore Foundation

Oct. 10-12 Camp ASCCA Fall Family Wknd.

Oct. 24-26 Camp Seale Harris Family Camp

Oct. 27 Alex City Rotary Golf Challenge

Dec. 5-7 Family Deer Hunt Weekend #1

Dec. 12-14 Christmas at Camp ASCCA Wknd.

## **ALLISON ON THE** ROAD...

Our own Allison Wetherbee, Director of Public Relations, has been extremely busy this summer "spreading the word" about Camp ASCCA.

My personal goal is to make sure we put Camp ASCCA in people's hearts, that they realize how special it is and how much it changes lives for the better. I want people to care about Camp ASCCA and care about its future.

> From The Daily Home, 3/13/08 www.dailyhome.com

May 23: Athens Rotary Club

Jun 3: VBS Lakeview Baptist

Jun 11: Boaz Rotary Club

Jun 13: Birmingham East Rotary

Jun 16: Alex City Rotary Club

Jun 16: Alex City 1st Baptist

Jun 17: Elba Rotary Club

Jun 18: Sheffield Kiwanis Club

Jun 25: Gadsden Kiwanis Club

Jun 30: Capital City Kiwanis

Jul 9: Demopolis Rotary Club

Jul 11: Andalusia Domino Tourn

Jul 15: Alex City Civitan Club

Jul 21: Selma Rotary Club

Jul 24: Dadeville Kiwanis Club

Jul 28: Carbon Hill Civitan Club

Jul 31: Good Morn Mtgy Kiwanis

Aug 2: Kiwanis Convention

Aug 5: Brewton Kiwanis Club

Aug 7: Alex City Kiwanis Club

Aug 12: Foley Kiwanis Club

Aug 21: Tuscaloosa Pilot Club

Aug 25: Irondale Civitan Club

Aug 28: Anniston Kiwanis Club

Aug 29: Lake Martin United Way

Sep 10: UNA Panhellenic Council

Various newspaper stories WBRC Fox 6 interview WHNT Huntsville morning show WSFA Noon Show Contact: allison@campascca.org



## Camp ASCCA Golf & Yacht Club

## **NEW FOR** 2009!

Do you want to provide the opportunity for a camper to "hit the links?" Steer a sailboat? Now you can!

The Camp ASCCA Golf and Yacht Club is being constructed and is designed for campers with disabilities to enjoy a leisurely 18 holes of accessible miniature golf and a one-of-a-kind radio controlled boating experience on and around two beautiful new ponds. There will also be an array of observation areas as well as a Boating House and a Club House.







Become a member today. See enclosed sponsorship card and return to:

Golf & Yacht Club

Easter Seals Camp ASCCA PO Box 21 Jackson's Gap, AL 36861

Your help and participation is needed become a member today!

Membership & Sponsorship Levels

#### ANNUAL GOLF & YACHT CLUB MEMBERSHIP

\$100.00 per year, renewable

#### **PUTTERS & BALLS**

\$50.00, unlimited number of sponsorships available

#### RC YACHT SPONSORSHIP

\$250.00, unlimited number available

#### FLAGSTICK FOR MINI-GOLF HOLE

\$250.00, unlimited number of sponsors available

#### **HOLE SPONSORSHIP**

\$1,000.00, unlimited number available

#### **BOATING HOUSE**

\$3,000.00, one sponsorship available

#### 4,000 Sq. Ft. POND

\$3,000.00, two ponds available for sponsorship

#### **CLUB HOUSE**

\$5,000.00, one sponsorship available

#### **GOLF COURSE**

\$15,000.00, Naming rights - one sponsor available

Any level of support is greatly appreciated. You can contact us if you have any questions on this great project! john@campascca.org or dana@campascca.org

## 2008 SUMMER... "This is Home"

















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For more photos & great videos, visit

www.campascca.org

www.asccafriends.org

"There goes the Judge..."

# Judge Wade Drinkard

Every two years Camp
ASCCA says "thank you" to an
individual who has completed their term
as the Chair of the Camp ASCCA Board of
Directors. On September 30, 2008 Judge
Wade Drinkard will officially complete
his term as our most recent board chair.
During the past two years, Judge Drinkard
has led the way for a very productive
period in Camp ASCCA's history.

Under his leadership the Camp ASCCA board and staff completed the following:

Generated funding for and completed over \$600,000 in facility renovations.

Construction of an accessible water playground

Installation of a T1 data & telecomm. system.

The expansion & use of the Camp ASCCA websites.

Increased efficiency & effectiveness of the board & board meetings.

Expansion of the Camp ASCCA marketing & public relations department.

Increased the Camp ASCCA campership endowment fund by over \$400,000.

Most importantly, Judge Drinkard continued the tradition of great leadership in making certain that the mission of Camp ASCCA is met in the highest quality.



Thank you Judge, we look forward to many more years of working together!

## **NATHAN WATERS MOVES ON**

Yes, Nathan has been our Outdoor Adventure Director since 2006, but he has had many more connections with Camp over the years...

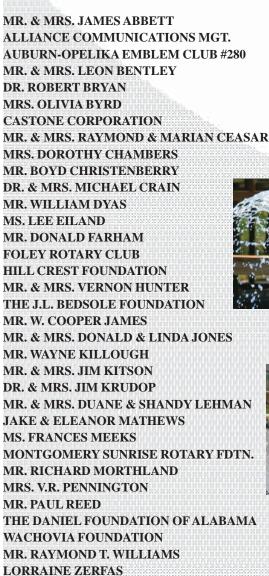
Nathan Waters first visited Camp ASCCA back in 2003. He quickly applied to become a counselor, and after being hired and working for the summer, he fell in love with the campers. After that he worked the next two summers as a counselor, became Head Counselor in 2005, and Outdoor Adventure Director in 2006. Nathan has also coordinated a few sports camps and even directed the Dadeville Campus summer camp one year! Nathan says that his favorite memories are those of the talent shows and the dances. He says that his favorite memory would have to be of his first Mobile Rotary talent show when there were two campers with Elvis costumes performing. Nathan will be missed greatly. He has now accepted a position with Auburn University in the Program for Students with Disabilities as a Disability Specialist. He says that his camp experiences have "overly prepared" him for his new job. Nathan and his wife Maggie are residing in Auburn, but will be visiting camp as much as possible! Best wishes Nathan!



## **THANK YOU DONORS!**

You have made a bunch of campers happy this

past summer with your donations to the new Accessible Water Playground (aka, "The Splash Pad"). Here is a list of the contributors thus far in 2008...



Thanks to the overwhelming positive response from the campers about the "Splash Pad" this summer, we are now excited to create yet another exciting and accessible program area for them! The new Golf & Yacht Club will open in spring 2009! See pg. 2!



"Life can be seen through your eyes but it is not fully appreciated until it is seen through your heart."

### Easter Seals Camp ASCCA 2008 Awards

#### Hoyt Webb Award - Graham Sisson, Jr.

Our most prestigious award and is bestowed upon one of its most dedicated supporters.

Named after the late Hoyt Webb, who gave a lifetime of service.

#### **Endowment Award - Georgia Buettner**

Recognizes those who have contributed in a significant way to help build the Campership Endowment Fund to insure Camp ASCCA's future.

#### **Meritorious Service Award - Enterprise Rotary Club**

Presented to a volunteer or organization that has rendered substantial and sustaining service to Camp ASCCA.

#### Continuing Meritorious Service Award - Dr. Jim Krudop, Alexander City Rotary Club, The Caring Foundation, & Castone Corporation

To honor those who have rendered "ongoing" substantial and sustaining service to Camp ASCCA.

#### James D. Orr, Jr. Award - Andalusia Rotary Club

Named after a dedicated volunteer, this award is presented to a volunteer or volunteer group who has demonstrated dedicated volunteer service to Camp ASCCA over a significant period of time.

## Organization of the Year Award - Montgomery Sunrise Rotary Club & GKN Westland Aerospace, Tuskegee

Presented to organizations based on a record of continued service and generous contributions to Camp ASCCA.

#### Special Recognition Award - Lee Eiland & The Ethan Club

Presented to groups, ministries, professionals, industries, or others who have made significant contributions to Camp.

#### Ina Watson Special Appreciation Award - Yvonne Crispin

Named after a dedicated local volunteer, this award is presented to individuals who have made major gifts or significant contributions over a period of time to Camp ASCCA.

#### Legislative Award - Rep. Betty Carol Graham & Senator Ted Little

Presented to a person for significant support through local, state, or federal legislative efforts which benefit Camp.

#### Oscar C. Dunn Environmental Award - Col. Dick Bronson & Tommy Futral

Presented to and honors individuals or organizations who have made major impacts to the environmental education programs of Camp ASCCA & the Oscar C. Dunn Rotary Environmental Center.

Congratulations to all of the award recipients this year! Many awards nominations were considered this year and we thank everyone who has supported Camp ASCCA!





Just click on one of these "widgets" on the websites or visit www.campascca.org/give

#### You can give online!

As an Easter Seals Alabama facility, the Camp ASCCA staff, board, and volunteers are responsible for generating, locating, and developing all needed funding for all expenses related to Camp ASCCA programs and facilities. Currently Camp ASCCA operates on \$1.5 million annually. So, now that you know what our responsibilities are, please consider supporting children and adults with disabilities. You won't regret it!

Visit <u>www.campascca.org</u> or join <u>www.asccafriends.org</u>



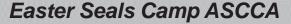
## A FULL GAS TANK!

Lake Martin stayed full this summer and thanks to you, so did the gas tank for the lakefront!

With over 50 individuals, groups, and businesses donating over \$4,000 for gas, our lakefront program of tubing, boatrides, and adaptive waterskiing was a big success for our campers.

Thank you for continuing to realize the importance of summer camp activities for children and adults with disabilities and for helping to make these unique aquatic activities possible!





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### Camp ASCCA's Fall & Winter

If you didn't visit or attend Camp ASCCA this summer, you've GOT to come now!

FALL FAMILY WEEKEND - For people with mental or physical disabilities. Bring an attendant, or come on your own! October 10-12, 2008 CHRISTMAS AT CAMPASCCA - Second annual event includes dinner in town, shopping, gift wrapping, ornaments, Fantasy of Lights at Callaway Gardens, and more! December 12-14, 2008

<u>HUNTING WEEKENDS</u> - Bring your own attendant or family member! Weekends include hunter's education, target shooting, and guided deer hunts! December 5-7, 2008 &

January 23-25, 2009



## HEARD ON THE BLOG :: Pi Kappa Phi Cycles through Camp ASCCA

event that annually helps to support people with disabilities and other special needs. The young Pi Kappa Phi fraternity men came through Camp ASCCA on the weekend of August 1-3, 2008, for a quick visit on the cycling journey.

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Camp ASCCA on the weekend of August 1-3, 2008, for a quick visit on the cycling journey. The group presented Camp Director Matt Rickman with a cycling grant donation of \$850.00. See more at www.campascca.org!

The Journey of Hope is a Push America cycling



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special events round-up you & camp ascca

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## Do you know who works at Camp ASCCA?

Meet for the first time or become reacquainted with some of the Camp ASCCA staff that works year-round! Who do you contact to book a group, schedule a speaking engagement, or a nice team-building weekend? Who answers the phone when you call? Who was that person you talked to about becoming a summer lifeguard?

Go to: www.campascca.org/journal/ascca-staff to see for yourself!



Allison does
Public Relations!



Jeff runs the maintenance department!



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