

2010
SPRING
NEWS



A nationally recognized leader in providing camping and outdoor recreation for people with disabilities and health impairments.

Helping children and adults with disabilities achieve equality, dignity, and maximum independence.

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CAMP ASCCA VISION

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WHERE POSITIVE LIFE-CHANGING EXPERIENCES ARE HAPPENING!

SPRING EVENTS

Spring calendar just for you!

- Mar. 19-20 Camp Seale Harris Family
- Mar. 26-28 Fun Fish Wkd.
- Apr. 5-7 St. James Science Camp
- Apr. 15-18 Rotary Youth Leadership
- Apr. 21-23 Lee/Scott Acad.
- Apr. 23-25 Autism Society of Alabama
- Apr. 26-30 Beauregard Day Camps
- Apr. 30-May 2 Easter Seals Autism Camp & Post-Polio Support
- May 5-7 Lee/Lanier Schools & Dothan City Schools
- May 14 Alexander City Special Ed.
- May 16 2nd Annual Mini Golf Tourney
- May 20-23 Shepherd Spinal Center of Atlanta
- May 21 Gene Chizik Golf Tourney
- May 24-27 Houston County Schools
- May 28-30 DHS Cheerleaders
- May 31-... Camp Seale Harris & summer sessions begin!

A truly unique facility and experience that is Camp ASCCA

We remain very much appreciative for your ongoing support of what happens at Camp ASCCA. We are also certain that the individuals that benefited from the \$226,000.00 in free services last summer also greatly appreciate your support.

In 2009 Easter Seals Camp ASCCA completed its 34th year of service to children and adults with disabilities. It was a year when we found ourselves receiving more requests for service than any time in our history. A busy spring lead to a great summer, which rolled right into our fun fall and winter programs. In 2010 we expect to see the same demand and plan to provide even better services.

Because of your help, in 2009 we were able to open the Camp ASCCA Golf and Yacht Club. This year with your support we are going to

continue to add to the growing variety with the addition of our own waterslide. Both of these programs are an example of our continued goal of making Camp ASCCA not just the only choice for children and adults with disabilities but the very best choice for a great week of camp.

Obviously there are many financial uncertainties that currently face all of us personally and professionally. It goes almost without saying that it is a challenging time for nonprofit organizations. Camp ASCCA is not immune from these challenges. Our Board of Directors continues to work very diligently to insure that our program operates as efficiently as possible without sacrificing any quality.

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Please take the time to visit www.campascca.org throughout the year and especially during the summer months. If possible plan to come for a visit and see firsthand what a truly unique facility and experience that is Camp ASCCA.

Sincerely,

John Stephenson
Administrator



PEOPLE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

With your help, Easter Seals Camp ASCCA was able to provide over \$226,000 in financial services to campers attending summer camp sessions in 2009. Thank you!



ALLISON ON THE ROAD



January 16th: Perryhill Women's Day at ASCCA
January 20th: The Front Porch Morning Show
January 20th: Demopolis Rotary Club
January 28th: Greenville Rotary Club
February 1st: Moulton Civitan Club
February 3rd: WLBF Faith Radio in Montgomery
February 4th: Montgomery WAKA Channel 8 at noon
February 10th: Daphne High School
February 16th: Troy Kiwanis Club
February 28th: Young Meadows Presbyterian Church in Montgomery
March 3rd: The Front Porch Morning Show
March 6th: Pilot Anchor Club Convention, Mtgy.
March 12th: Special Ed. Class at Auburn University
March 23rd: Talladega Kiwanis Club
March 27th: Elks Club Convention in Selma
April 8th: Lee County DHR Staff Event in Auburn
April 15th: Day In Spring Event in Camden
April 20th: Andalusia Rotary Club
April 30th: UAB Employees' Speakers Event in Birmingham

Allison Wetherbee, Director of PR, is very busy sharing the Camp ASCCA story. Contact her at allison@campascca.org.

Announcing: TWO big golf events!

Stay tuned for more info on both!



Gene Chizik Golf Tourney & 2nd Annual Mini-golf Tournament

Auburn University Head Football Coach signs on to Camp ASCCA Golf Tournament at the Auburn University Club! We're set for our 2nd Annual Camp ASCCA Open Miniature Golf Tournament too! Both events to be held this May.

Actually, both events will take place within one week of each other. The 2nd Annual Camp ASCCA Open Miniature Golf Tournament will be held at Camp ASCCA's miniature golf course on Sunday, May 16th. The 2010 Gene Chizik Camp ASCCA Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, May 21st. Detailed brochure and registration information for both events will be available soon, but here are the highlights!

TO ASSIST MANY CAMPERS IN
NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
TO ATTEND SUMMER CAMP,
ALL PROCEEDS FROM BOTH
EVENTS WILL BE PLACED IN THE
CAMPERSHIP FUND.

Contact Dana Rickman for more information at dana@campascca.org or 256-825-9226. Detailed registration information can be mailed to you or viewed online at www.campascca.org.

GENE CHIZIK GOLF TOURNAMENT Friday, May 21, 2010

- Auburn University Club, Auburn, AL is host
- 11:00 a.m. Registration for 1:00 Start
- Lunch and team pictures with Coach Chizik at 11:30
- Team prizes & door prizes
- Four-person scramble format. \$400 for a team or \$100 for individuals includes green fee, cart, lunch, and more stuff
- Corporate sponsors contributing \$500 or more will receive team entry & sponsorship recognition.
- Hole sponsors are available for \$100 each and signage will be placed at tee boxes across the course.

2ND ANNUAL CAMP ASCCA OPEN MINI-GOLF TOURNEY Sunday, May 16, 2010

- Camp ASCCA's miniature golf course is host
- 1:00-4:00 registration and play begins. Last tee time is 4:00.
- Includes one practice round
- Free food and drinks all day!
- Live music!
- \$50 Individual entry fee for ages 13 and up. \$25 entry fee for ages 7-12. Free entry for children ages 6 and under with paying adult.
- \$500 prize for low score winner
- \$500 additional Cash Drawing (for a donation of \$50, you'll be entered for a chance to win and you don't have to be present to win.)

Did you
know?

On average over the course of a year, it takes \$4,060 to run Camp ASCCA every day.



Accessible Waterslide nears completion

Look for the completion by May 2010!

Has the seemingly unending rain stopped yet? It feels like just yesterday we were talking about a drought. Anyway, now that our land has dried out a bit, we're back on schedule to complete the new accessible waterslide at Camp ASCCA.

The 200 foot accessible waterslide is being constructed on a hill behind the chapel overlooking Lake Martin. The entrance to the slide is being constructed at ground level. By constructing it

at ground level, transfers of our non-ambulatory campers will be easier and safer than on a traditional elevated waterslide. The accessible waterslide will end at a 50 foot level section where riders will come to a stop.

The development of the waterslide will increase the level of enjoyment for our campers by creating a new opportunity for excitement and a unique new camp experience! To find out more about this project, contact John Stephenson, Camp Administrator.

We need your support! Please consider a gift of \$50 per foot. Contact us at 256-825-9226 or email dana@campascca.org.



**PI KAPPA PHI
PUSH CAMP
2010**



During the week of March 14-18th, 21 young men representing 5 colleges/universities have come to Camp ASCCA to make it a better place!

For 18 years, members of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity nationwide have visited Camp ASCCA to work for the annual Push Camp, a project of Push America, the fraternities national philanthropy.

The members worked on a new shade shelter for the accessible horseback riding ring, a decking area and pathways for the new accessible waterslide, pathways at the pond, and much, much more! The deck at the waterslide is shown here on the left. Swings and other "outdoor game room" activities will be built here this spring.

For more information on the Push Camp week, visit www.campascca.org/news

HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?

About our garden from Geni Payne

Springtime is the perfect season to start preparing your garden beds for a "fruitful" year. Preparing the soil, weeding, and mulching are all very important. Most importantly for us, we have a group of very dedicated volunteers that help us each spring - the Tallapoosa County Master Gardeners! We look forward to their work again on our raised, accessible garden beds. They are amazing people!



Valentine's Dance a success every year

The people "behind the scenes" of this event belong to the Friends of Camp ASCCA (FOCA) group and work tirelessly for weeks giving attention to every detail.

The 15th Annual Ina Watson Valentine Dinner and Dance would have made the lady this event is named after very proud. Mrs. Ina Watson was a dedicated employee and supporter of Camp ASCCA for many years. Camp ASCCA is extremely fortunate and blessed to have so many people who have carried the tradition that Mrs. Ina Watson set.

We would like to thank the people who made this year's Valentine's Dance a great success. Over 350 guests enjoyed delicious steak dinners which were donated by Piggly Wiggly of Dadeville's, Laeman Butcher. Other major



sponsors who made this event possible are Duane and Shandy Lehman, Bobby and Wanda Ryals, RBC Bank in Dadeville, Floyd's Feed and Seed, and Sandra Davenport.

Throughout the evening guests danced to the music of the live band, Glow, and participated in the silent auction.

The proceeds made through this fundraiser go to the Camp ASCCA Campership Program which helps ensure that no camper is ever denied the opportunity to attend camp due to inability to pay.

**In The Next
ISSUE:
summer camps
fundraisers**



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HERE! call today
to get yours**

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A financial gift made with love to encourage others to "pay it forward" and pass on good "fortune" to those in need.

A Gift of Great Love

We were very surprised to learn over the Christmas holidays that we were to receive a very generous gift from a very generous woman who passed away in early 2009.

Wadyne Bolton Bishop of Alexander City, AL, named Camp ASCCA as one of the beneficiaries of her estate. After final expenses and at her request, Ms. Bishop's estate was transferred to a memorial endowment fund with The Baptist Foundation of Alabama.

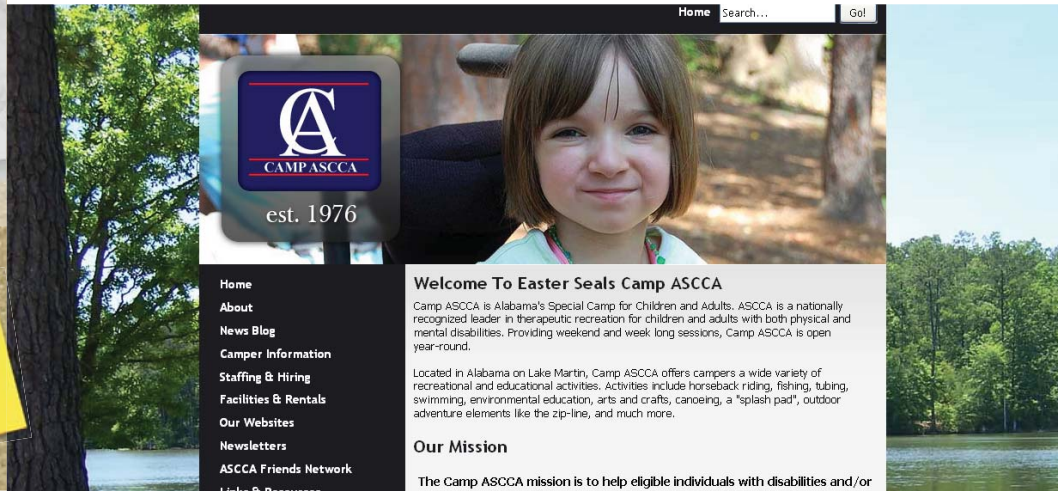
Barry Bledsoe, President of the Baptist Foundation of Alabama, shared with us an



endearing story of how Ms. Bishop believed in supporting children of all kinds and believed in the "pay it forward" idea - hoping to encourage others to pass on their good "fortunes" - whether it be financial or otherwise.

This gift means a great deal to Camp ASCCA because it will help with the ongoing need for campership dollars and facility improvements.

If you are interested in our Campership Endowment Fund or one for yourself through any Foundation such as The Baptist Foundation of Alabama, let us know!



WEBSITE HIGHLIGHTS ▲

VISIT WWW.CAMPASCCA.ORG TODAY FOR NEWS POSTS, PHOTOS, APPLICATIONS, & MORE!

Check out the **News Blog** on the Camp ASCCA website. The posts are updated each week with new "happenings" at Camp!

Want to see "real, live" reactions from parents and campers, click on **Testimonials** for great videos!



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Camp ASCCA & Easter Seals resources:

If you have a minute, the web has much information for you to see relating to Camp ASCCA, our services, and Easter Seals as a whole. Visit one or all of these sites today!

- www.campascca.org • www.asccafriends.org • www.facebook.com/campascca • www.theenvironmentalcenter.org • www.alabama.easterseals.com • www.easterseals.com

Slidin' into spring!



YOU can help build the new accessible
waterslide and increase the level of
enjoyment for campers with disabilities!
Go to www.campascca.org to see more!



Help create a new opportunity for
excitement and a unique new camp experience!

I would like to help build the waterslide...

\$50

Sponsors one foot of the
200 foot waterslide

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I would like to know more about Camp ASCCA...

Send me newsletters

My group wants a
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Your name: _____

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