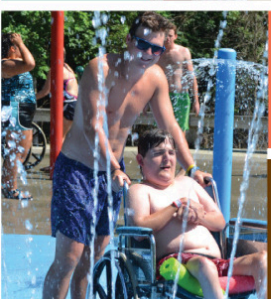




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THE CAMP ASCCA *good* Times



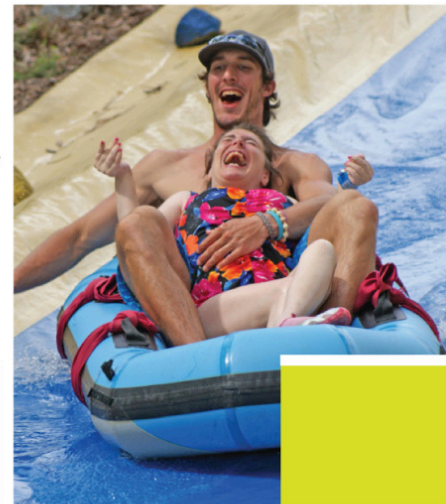
Spring into summer!

IT'S SPRING AT CAMP ASCCA, BUT WHILE WE ARE VERY INVOLVED WITH OUR CAMPS AND VISITING GROUPS, WE'RE ALSO BUSILY PREPARING FOR SUMMER.

You will see within the pages of this newsletter that Fun Fish Weekend was a big "hit" with the campers, staff, and volunteers this spring. You will also see that donors and friends also continue to be an important part of Camp ASCCA success throughout the year. We are also blessed by many groups that choose to collaborate with us to provide services to the people with disabilities they serve.

To prepare for summer, we are "wrapping up" a few renovation and construction projects. Hiring of counselors, nurses, and program staff is still under way, but almost complete. Our staff and volunteers have been working hard to ready the grounds for the summer visitors as well! We cannot wait to see everyone this summer! Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/campascca

Oh, and can you spot the one thing different on this page? That's right, the name of the newsletter has changed. The Camp ASCCA Vision is now the Camp ASCCA "Good" Times! Because here at Camp ASCCA we're all about fun and of course, good times.



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Spring Calendar

March 20-22: Fun Fish Weekend

March 26-29: Rotary 6860 RYLA

March 31-April 2: St. James Science

April 10-12: Alabama Head Injury/

Alabama Pilots TBI Camp

April 17-19: Kiwanis Camp

April 24-26: Easter Seals Post-Polio
& Autism Camps

April 29-May 1: Lee-Scott Science

May 1-3: Autism Society of AL

May 6-8: Lee/Lanier/Enterprise HS

May 11: Dadeville 3rd grade

May 12: Dadeville kindergarten

May 14-16: Shepherd Center

Adventure Skills Workshop

May 22-24: Dadeville HS Cheer

May 26: Summer program staff
arrive!

May 27: Camp Seale Harris staff
arrive!

The 2015 summer camper
application is online at

www.campascca.org.

Hurry and download it,
complete it, and return it!

Sessions are filling up fast!



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Fun Fish Weekend 2015 at Camp ASCCA!



Camp ASCCA's annual Fun Fish Weekend was another great success! Twenty-seven campers enjoyed lots of fishing fun March 20-22, 2015. A combination of 10 Camp ASCCA full-time staff members and counselors as well as six volunteers helped host the campers with their personal care and made sure they had a great time fishing the entire weekend. The volunteers were fraternity men from the Pi Kappa Phi, Auburn University chapter. Additionally and very importantly to the weekend, 10 boaters came for the weekend to take the campers and the counselors out on Lake Martin! Most of the men and women have been volunteering their time for this weekend for many years. The boaters and campers caught crappie, bass and catfish. According to full-time staff member Lyle Coutts who was in charge of the weekend, everything was great overall. The group enjoyed a campfire and s'mores Friday night, had a beautiful day of fishing Saturday, and danced in the dining hall after dinner. Sunday morning fishing was rained out, but the campers did enjoy the awards ceremony! Most Fish Caught prize went to Wayne Lee with 63 fish and Biggest Fish Caught: Male – Matthew Davis and Female – Carrie Underwood. All campers were able to go through the prize table and pick out a few items each. The weekend was sponsored by Alabama Central District Civitan International who also sponsored the t-shirts. Coca-Cola Bottling Company UNITED also donated products to the event. Academy Sports and Outdoors, Kinnucan's, Dick's Sporting Goods, YETI Coolers and Cold Steel Plastics (Gary Everett) all donated products/gift cards as well for prizes.

YOU CARE & WE THANK YOU: We appreciate our donors

OUR MISSION OF SERVING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES CANNOT HAPPEN WITHOUT YOU - OUR VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS

We of course have had many, many more people volunteer for and donate to Camp ASCCA over the past few months than are shown here in these three photos, and we want to thank you all! Our appreciation and gratitude is immense as we all work together to make Camp ASCCA a better place for children and adults to have a special place to experience unique and fun opportunities.

The Alexander City Kiwanis Club and the Greenville Rotary Club are examples of just two of MANY civic organizations that annually donate to Camp ASCCA providing campership funds. People with disabilities applying to attend summer camp can't always afford the full \$725 session fee.

Kiwanis Alabama District 10 Lt. Governor Ben Taylor recently coordinated at Service Project Day at Camp ASCCA and Kiwanis, Circle K, and Key Club members from the area participated in a clean up day.

To find out more about these type of groups call 256-825-9226.



ALEXANDER CITY KIWANIS CLUB



GREENVILLE ROTARY CLUB



KIWANIS DIVISION 10 SERVICE PROJECT DAY, MARCH 14TH

Flickr photosharing account and have had over 20,400,000 views.

ACCESSIBLE HUNTS

TEAMING UP WITH LAKESHORE FOUNDATION HAS BEEN BENEFICIAL FOR OUR ACCESSIBLE HUNTING PROGRAM

This past December and January, Camp ASCCA hosted two accessible deer hunts for Lakeshore Foundation. Lakeshore held an Adult Hunt December 12-14, 2014 and a Youth Hunt January 23-25, 2015. Individuals and families hunted during the weekends along with Lakeshore staff members. Camp ASCCA staff member Lyle Coutts guided the groups for the weekends and reported that each weekend ran smoothly and was enjoyed by all the participants. Other activities included going out to the shooting range and having competitions, as well as campfires!

To see a few more photos, visit the album on our Flickr page at: www.flickr.com/photos/campascca/sets/



Summer Hiring

We're still looking to hire
**5 male counselors, 1 nurse,
a lifeguard, and directors
for fishing and horseback!**

Contact Camp Director
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matt@campascca.org

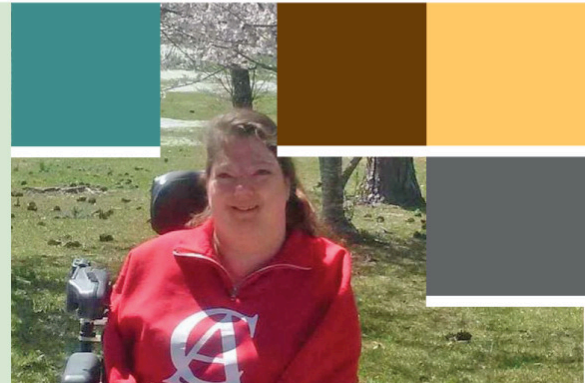
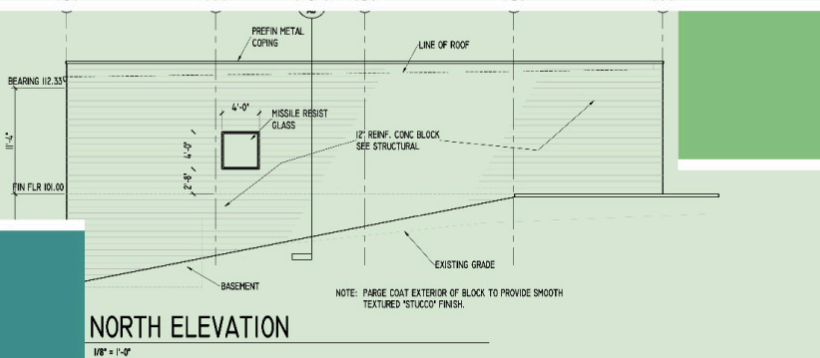


Storm Shelter/Arts & Crafts building set to open next year

THE ARCHITECTURAL PLANS ARE HERE, AND THE FUNDRAISING HAS BEGUN!

Plans call for the construction of a 3,200 sq. ft. above-ground storm shelter which will also serve as the location for the camp's arts and crafts facility. This is a great location as it is centrally located to all of our cabins

and lodges. Beginning in September 2015, the existing arts and crafts building will be demolished. The site will then be prepped for the construction of the new building. Major sponsor Alabama Elks Association has already committed to \$100,000 to the \$320,000 project and we are underway with fundraising for the rest of the building!



ALLISON
on the road

March 28: RYLA at Camp ASCCA
April 4: Walk for Autism, Montgomery
April 7: Enterprise Rotary Club
April 11: Walk for Autism, Cullman
April 16: ADRS Transition Fair, Homewood
April 17: ASU Transition Expo, Montgomery
April 18: Walk for Autism, Athens
April 22: ADRS Transition Fair, Birmingham
April 25: Walk for Autism, Florence
May 6-7: SOCO Customer Appreciation
May 11: UNA Therapeutic Rec classes
June 15: Rooftop Friends, CAMP ASCCA

Contact: allison@campascca.org

Ability Camp (formerly Push Camp)

The Ability Experience, formerly Push America, is a nonprofit organization that serves people with disabilities. The Ability Experience was founded in 1977 as the national philanthropy of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity with the purpose of instilling lifelong service in its members and enhancing the quality of life for people with disabilities. Although the organization is still fulfilling the purpose for which it was intended, The Ability Experience has grown into a nationally recognized nonprofit with numerous programs educating undergraduates, alumni and communities about the abilities of people with disabilities.

Thirty-eight students representing six university chapters were at Camp ASCCA the week of March 7-12th. They were here for one of the organization's annual Ability Camps. This is a week in which the group works on projects that helps to create accessible environments for people with disabilities. They worked on construction of a new accessible fishing pier, built six accessible picnic tables, a guard rail, hammock stands, refurbished the laundry carts and the gym benches, constructed a new game at the lakefront area, and many, many other needed projects.



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RENOVATIONS WRAPPING UP!



Fishing Pier - The original fishing pier was created and built in the late 1970's and renovated about 15 years ago. After many years of service to people with disabilities, it was no longer deemed safe. The new 20'x40' pier was constructed with the help of The Ability Camp

volunteers this spring and a \$10,000 naming sponsor is still available!

Davis Lodge - Named originally after Mr. Tine Davis, the lodge has served its purpose for many staff members and campers for over 20 years. It has been renovated inside and out, and features an increase in the size of the accessible restrooms, upgraded HVAC systems, new floors, doors, walls, windows, ceilings, deck, and more! This project is ready for summer and has been funded by The Alabama Elks Association, the Solon & Martha Dixon Foundation, and the Alabama District Pilot International.

"Back Yard" Project - Is located in an area behind Davis Lodge, near the Boys Cabins. It will host cookouts, talent shows, impromptu dances, and snow cone parties! It will include picnic tables, a tiki hut, hammocks, and a stage. A \$10,000 sponsor is being sought for this fun new area.



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