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# CAMP ASCCA vision



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## Come see what it is all about...

From John Stephenson, Administrator

On July 1st, 100 children with disabilities will come through our gate and begin their week of fun "Camp ASCCA" style. As our 32nd summer program begins, we have two goals: One, our campers have the best time possible. Two, you come for a visit. We want to encourage everyone who supports Camp ASCCA to come see first-hand what a great experience it is for our participants.

We would be more than happy to have you spend the day touring our facility, meeting our campers and their counselors. Don't be surprised if you find yourself wanting to make it an annual visit. Many of us have found that once you have experienced it first-hand, Camp ASCCA is hard to forget.

Please let us know when you would like to visit. It is going to be a great summer and you have helped in making it happen.



## SPEAKER... need one?

Camp ASCCA has staff members and volunteers available for presentations to any group. No group is too small or too large for a Camp ASCCA presentation. They are educational, inspirational, sometimes humorous and can fit any occasion. Our speakers can be flexible to fit your needs. You can also schedule a speaker along with a variety of powerpoint or video presentations covering:

- General Camp ASCCA Info
- Dadeville Campus
- Medical Issues
- Outdoor Adventure/Ropes Courses/Teambuilding
- Recruiting and Summer Staff Positions
- Much more!

Contact Dana Rickman at [dana@campascca.org](mailto:dana@campascca.org)

Although summer has just officially begun and the weather has been unseasonably hot and dry, that has not deterred our campers and staff at the Dadeville Campus from just completing a very successful program. With the recent completion of the last session, 134 total campers with mental disabilities were able to enjoy the beautiful facility and outstanding staff during the 5 one-week sessions.

Many of the campers returned from previous years, but it is always a pleasure to serve new campers and we had plenty of those this year. It was also the first year for Camp Director Nathan Waters, although he has several summers under his belt at our main campus. Nathan did an outstanding job in this challenging role, which involves everything from teaching programs and supervising staff to doing laundry and ordering food. He had some excellent help in the form of 10 counselors, Head Counselor Nathan McNair,



## Our Dadeville Campus...

and Nurse Barbara Stark. Nathan and Barbara also have both worked previous summers at both campuses.

In the end, everything is about our great campers. They enjoyed daytime activities such as swimming and fishing in Lake Martin, boat rides and tubing, sports and games, and putt-putt golf. Every night culminated with an evening program such as a talent show or dance. ASCCA campers never fail to disappoint and seem to always give us more than we could possibly give them. Their ability

to live life to the fullest is always a beautiful life lesson.

The program is over at the Dadeville campus but we look forward to serving many more campers at our main camp in Jackson's Gap. We will also have all of the Dadeville staff continuing their summer at the main camp.

**OLD  
FRIENDS,  
NEW  
FRIENDS,  
& LOTS OF FUN!**

## DADEVILLE CAMPUS: 2007 photo fun!



“Tubing is my favorite... because I like to get on the tube and go real fast. - Victoria Harrison

# camp life: because of you...



...our fundraising efforts, direct mailings and generosity of individuals, clubs, businesses, and foundations, campers such as these are able to enjoy the fun-filled times at Camp ASCCA!



Mary Nelle, Campership recipient  
Dadeville Campus Session #4



Tim, Dadeville Session #3  
Sponsored by Andalusia  
Rotary Club



Katara, Campership recipient  
Dadeville Campus Session #3

## the STAFF spot

[www.campascca.org](http://www.campascca.org)  
a website you MUST visit this summer...



### Geni Payne

#### OUTDOOR EDUCATION DIRECTOR

Geni is from Rainbow City, Alabama and began working for Camp ASCCA in May 2007. She has worked with the Park Service in Wyoming and with 4-H. Her job tasks include the demo farm, leading fishing activities, and directing the Oscar C. Dunn Rotary Environmental Center. Geni happily said that, "working at Camp ASCCA is like all the good aspects of my other jobs rolled up in one."



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# SUPPORTING CAMP - HOW YOU CAN HELP...



*E*aster Seals Camp ASCCA first opened its doors in 1976 and since then, it has touched the lives of thousands of children and adults. Camp ASCCA is a nationally recognized leader in providing camping and outdoor recreation for people with disabilities. Our mission is to help our campers to achieve equality, dignity, and maximum independence.

Please help by considering the following:

### *Campership Gift*

A gift of \$675 will provide a week of summer camp for a camper.

### *Endowment Gift*

Interest earned will be used to provide future generations the experiences of camp.

There are a variety of ways to support Camp ASCCA. From sponsoring a camper to buying a brick along the Pathway to Our Future, your gift can help make a difference in the life of a person with a disability. All gifts are tax-deductible.

### *Project Renew Building Fund*

Many facilities on our 230 acre site need an update from their initial construction. Consider joining us in our "renewal" efforts.

### *Pathway to Our Future*

Buy a brick along the path to the environmental center - \$50.00.

### *Special Events*

Tuberville Golf, Valentine's Dance, and much more!



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