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WINTER | 2014

May your days be merry & bright!

Ours certainly were at the 2014
Camp ASCCA Christmas Weekend
on December 12-14th.

Thanks to the Alabama Elks Association
and many other donors and volunteers, 50
campers, 30 staff members, and over 50
volunteers enjoyed a full Christmas-themed
weekend at Camp ASCCA full of lights,
music, gifts, friends, music, and camp fun!



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Camp ASCCA is a nationally
recognized leader in providing
outdoor recreation for people with
disabilities and health impairments.

On The Calendar...

January 23-25: Lakeshore

Foundation Accessible Hunt

March 8-12: Push Camp

March 14: Kiwanis Work Party

March 20-22: Fun Fish Weekend

March 26-29: Rotary 6880 RYLA

March 31-April 2: St. James Science

April 10-12: Alabama Head Injury-

Alabama Pilots TBI Camp

Summer camper
and staff
applications
available online
now!
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Allison on the road...

Allison Wetherbee, Community Relations Director., is very busy this year scheduling groups to talk to about Camp ASCCA's mission. If you would like her to visit, contact her at allison@campascca.org.

Dec 19: Florence Kiwanis Club

January 20: Athens Lions Club

Jan 30: Foley Rotary Club

March 14: Special Needs Disability

Expo

DAVIS LODGE

The lodge, an old staff & camper favorite, is undergoing a complete makeover this winter!



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 "gutted" and will feature an increase in the size of accessible restrooms making them "ASCCA accessible", upgraded HVAC systems, new floors, walls, windows, ceilings, porch, and of course, new areas for campers to spend the night! This project is funded by the Alabama Elks Association and the Solon & Martha Dixon Foundation.

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Spreading the holiday cheer!



Thank you to Santa, Mrs. Claus, our volunteer "elves", & all of the volunteer staff who made the Christmas Weekend extra special!



A fun fall event **The MD/PD Weekend!**

It's an annual treat to have campers and a few families at Camp ASCCA for a fun-filled weekend of camp fun! This year the special weekend fell on Halloween and took place October 31-November 2, 2014. Do you know what that meant? A SPOOKtacular good time with costumes and more!

Fifty campers, along with a few family members, were our special visitors. Twenty-two Camp ASCCA counselors, program staff, and nursing staff made sure the weekend went off without a hitch. Twelve Auburn University Pi Kappa Phi fraternity volunteers, five Auburn University nursing school volunteers, and one UAB nursing school volunteer added to the fun with their expertise and great spirits! We thank everyone who participated!

The weekend activities included a Halloween dance, pumpkin carving, talent show, zip-line, archery, arts & crafts, game room, a campfire, costume contest, a movie, and more!



Meet the 2014 Camper of the Year!

NIGEL DAVIS

The Camper of the Year is chosen each summer by the summer staff. The staff nominates ten campers, and after those are voted on, the Camper of the Year is chosen from the top three. The staff members individually consider campers and what make each one special to them.

Many consider qualities such as how much someone enjoys the camp experience, how they encourage other campers, friendliness, openness, happiness, eagerness, and overall enthusiasm, just to give a few examples.

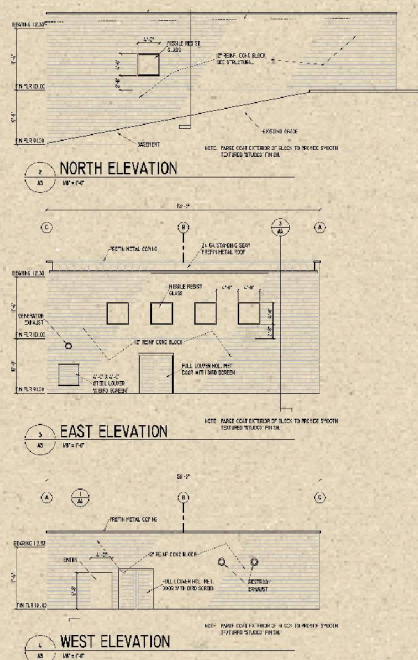
Nigel Davis, the 2014 Camper of the Year, possesses all of these qualities! Nigel is a first time camper in 2014 and actually was able to attend two camp sessions. He was first sponsored by the Demopolis Rotary Club and was encouraged to attend summer camp by his high school principal. He was later invited to attend the Right Moves Sports Camp, sponsored by Auburn Adaptive Sports.

Over 20 fans of Nigel made up of Camp ASCCA staff members, family members, and Demopolis Rotarians (including his high school principal), met at the Tally-Ho Restaurant in Selma, AL in November to surprise him. He was greeted by all then given a plaque recognizing him as Camp ASCCA's 2014 Camper of the Year.

As part of this recognition Nigel attended the Camp ASCCA Christmas Weekend free of charge and once again experienced the fun and unique experiences that Camp ASCCA has to offer people with disabilities!

New dual-purpose building to be constructed

The facility will serve as a storm
shelter and the arts & crafts
building!



A large capital project is in "the works" for the upcoming year - an accessible storm shelter/arts and crafts building. The 3,200 square foot building will be constructed on the current arts and crafts building site and will be made of poured concrete and other materials to withstand strong storms we experience here in Alabama from time to time. Please stay tuned for updates and ways to support the project!

COMINGUP:



**2014 Annual Report
2014 Annual Award Recipients**

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The pool has been resurfaced! The old surface was heavily worn, cracked, flaking, porous, and becoming moldy. The current pool was last updated to its current shape and inner workings in 1995. Overall, the pool is in great condition - it just needed a little "love" on the surface!

Donor Spotlights!

Jeff Henderson with GKN Westland Aerospace in Tallassee stopped by with an annual donation of \$2,500 for the Camp ASCCA Campership Fund.



Derryl Thompson and his son Shaun, who is also a Camp ASCCA camper, stopped by to present Camp ASCCA with a donation from the Heart of Dixie Chevelle Club in the amount of \$500 for the Campership Fund.



Payless Team Leaders from District B5C spent a "Day of Caring" working on the exterior of the Lions-Rotary Lodge and the bunk beds at the Davis Lodge. Payless employees can donate to Camp ASCCA through their national Choose to Give campaign annually.

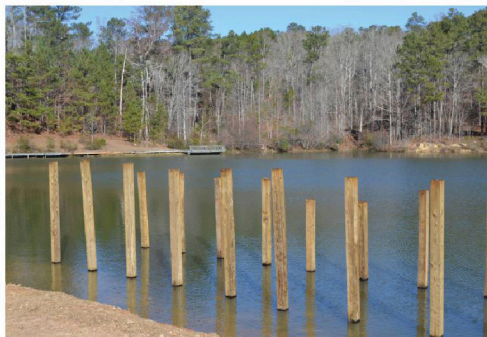


Alpha Psi fraternity members from Auburn University stopped by to present a donation in the amount of \$10,000 - proceeds from their widely successful annual Alpha Psi Rodeo! The donation benefits Camp ASCCA's Campership Fund.



CAPITAL PROJECTS

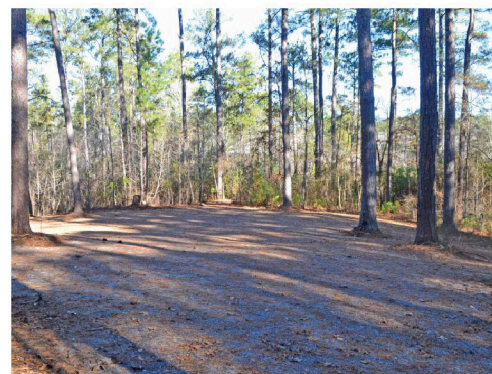
Yes! We've been working on even more...



The original accessible fishing pier was created and built in the late 1970's. After many years of service to people with disabilities, it was no longer deemed safe. This winter a new 20'x40' accessible pier will be constructed and \$10,000 in donations are being sought.



The "backyard" area will host cookouts, talent shows, impromptu dances, snowcone parties, picnic tables, and hammocks! \$10,000 in donations are being sought for this fun new area as well. Open this coming summer!



Help make someone's summer merry & bright!

Camp ASCCA needs your support in continuing to provide quality services for campers with disabilities. Join us today with a gift to our Campership Fund. Your tax-deductible gift will provide many unforgettable experiences each year!



You can give online! Visit www.campascca.org & look for the "Donate to Camp" link or the Donate button!

Donate



I would like to support the Camp ASCCA Campership Fund...

- ☐ \$725 Sponsors a camper for one week
- ☐ \$425 Sponsors a camper for one weekend
- ☐ \$175 Sponsors a camper for one week day
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- ☐ Send me newsletters
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