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# ASCCA

## good times

## Spring is nature's way of saying **LET'S PARTY!**

The Camp ASCCA staff, campers, and volunteers are excited and ready to have our programs back in full swing this spring! As the COVID-19 pandemic slows, we are continuing to provide many virtual and at-home activities. We are also implementing a COVID-19 Preparation & Readiness Plan to help protect everyone who visits Camp ASCCA this year.

After furloughs and layoffs in 2020, ASCCA's staff is back and ready to take on the year! A couple of positions "look" a little different, but you can expect the same excellence as the past 45 years in providing fun and safety to campers with disabilities.



Please enjoy photos from our Family Fun Fish Weekend, held in March, as well as other helpful information in this newsletter. As always, we thank our generous donors and YOU, our faithful friend.

Please visit us on social media  
and at [www.campascca.org](http://www.campascca.org)!

## SPRING 2021

### CALENDAR

**April 14-16**

St. James Science Camp

**April 9-11**

Ala. Pilots TBI Camp

**April 16-18**

ASCCA Rookie Camp

**May 4-6**

St. James Science Camp

**May 13-16**

Shepherd Center Camp

**May 20-23**

Shepherd Center Camp

**May 24-28**

Hall Foundation Camp







**We miss seeing our campers' smiling faces, but we have been able to catch up with some of them through Zoom!**

**Camp ASCCA has also had the opportunity to send monthly activity boxes to campers so they can have a little piece of Camp with them at home.**



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# FAMILY FUN FISH WEEKEND

The 2021 Family Fun Fish weekend kicked off on March 19th. Staff, campers, and their families came together for another annual Fun Fish Weekend at Camp ASCCA. Check-in began Friday afternoon and everyone arrived with their luggage and fishing poles ready to take on the weekend. The days were full of fun, fishing, sunshine, and lots of laughter. Campers and their families had the opportunity to fish from the pond, off the dock, on the Elks-sponsored tritoon boat, and on boats with volunteer boaters. The weather was perfect and plenty of fish were caught. At the end of the weekend the female with the most fish caught was Carrie, the male with the most fish caught was Matthew, and the camper with the biggest fish caught was Blake. It was the best weekend spent with our favorite people at the most wonderful place. A BIG THANKS goes out to all of the boaters and guides!





# COVID PREP& READINESS PLAN

In preparing for services in the era of COVID-19, we have identified several areas where we can provide a better and more hygienic environment for our campers. Our goal is to begin implementation before summer camp 2021. The items being constructed and purchased include air scrubbers for cabins and key buildings, water bottle filling stations, large handwashing station, hand sanitizer dispensers, scan thermometers, an ice dispenser, and necessary PPE's. Keeping everyone safe and healthy is Camp ASCCA's main goal! Our sincere thanks to current project donors the Charles & Isabel Hall Foundation, Joe Spavone in memory of his wife Debra Spavone, and the Central AL Community Foundation.



## Staff News



**Welcome back Abbey Murray.** Abbey spent many summers at Camp ASCCA working as Program Staff and a Unit Leader. Abbey returned to Camp ASCCA for the 2013 summer sessions as a staff nurse and then served as the Health Services Director from 2015-2018. Abbey is so excited to be serving Health Services Director again in 2021!

**Jon Dollar wears many hats at ASCCA.** Jon is working this spring as the Kitchen Supervisor and will transition back to Full-Time Program Specialist in the Summer. Jon always steps up when we need an extra hand around Camp and we are grateful for that and all of his hard work!



**GUEST BLOGS!**   
[www.campascca.org/  
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**Meet McCartney  
and others!**

*The Camp ASCCA mission is to help eligible individuals with disabilities and/or health impairments achieve equality, dignity, and maximum independence. This is to be accomplished through a safe and quality program of camping, therapeutic recreation, virtual programming, and education in a year-round barrier-free environment.*



Visit our [www.campascca.org/shop](http://www.campascca.org/shop) to purchase t-shirts and other ASCCA gear. New summer design coming soon!



# ROOKIE WEEKEND 2021

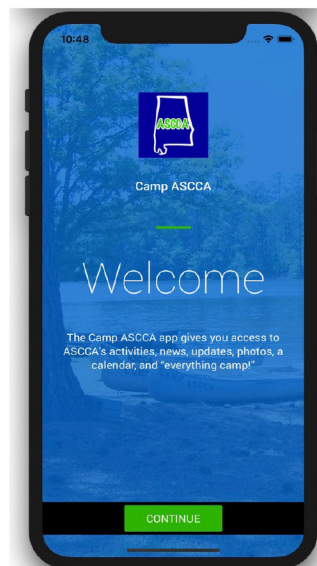
Camp ASCCA's second annual "Rookie Weekend" is set to take place April 16-18th. This special weekend is for new and potential campers who want to experience ASCCA for the first time. This family camp includes programming such as zip-lining, archery, sports, fishing, evening activities, and much more! Veteran parents and staff members will be available for the whole session to answer any questions or concerns.



## The Camp ASCCA App - Stay Connected

The new Camp ASCCA App is available for download on the App Store and Google Play. The app will be incredibly useful this summer to stay in the loop with all things Camp. The App will send out notifications regarding check-in, check-out, reminders, and access to all of the Camp photos. We know this will be a great asset when camp is in session for last-minute details and notifications.

After downloading, click the Sign Up button and enter your email address. Be sure to use the same email that you use during camp registration. We will share a login code that will give you access. For more information or questions please email [dana@campascca.org](mailto:dana@campascca.org) or call (256) 825-9226.



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