



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

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# ASCCA good times

FALL  
2025



## COMING UP:

**Sept. 16-17**

Leadership Lake Martin

**Sept. 19**

Tidal Wave Charity Day

**Sept. 19-21**

Autism Support of AL

**Sept. 25**

Leadership Lee County

**Sept. 26-28**

Down Syndrome AL

**Oct. 1st**

Summer 2026 Registration

**Oct. 17-19**

Fall Family Weekend

**Oct. 24-26**

Camp Seale Harris



## Summer Slipped Away



Summer 2025 was truly one to remember. We experienced seven unforgettable weeks with many new staff members and hundreds of campers. Together, we created memories that will last a lifetime.

Our time together was filled with the unexpected, but also with an abundance of love, community, and unmatched joy. Each day was a chance to celebrate one another, and to experience the magic that only camp can bring. Our hearts are full knowing we cherished every moment and gave our best to every single day.



From activities to the ASCCA Concert Series and even a lightning strike, every part of this summer is one we will remember forever. We were surrounded by an incredible amount of love, support, and compassion from campers, staff, families, and friends. There is truly no family quite like the ASCCA family.



To our campers, staff, volunteers, and everyone in between: this summer would not have been possible without you. Your passion, dedication, and love for camp makes ASCCA the special place it is. Because of you, lives were changed, friendships were built, and memories were made that will last a lifetime.



Although the summer season has come to an end, we're excited for everything still to come this year. We can't wait for our campgrounds to be full again!

# Jingle Jump

Join us for our annual Jingle Jump fundraiser on December 13th! Join us for our annual Jingle Jump, Camp ASCCA's largest fundraiser of the year! All proceeds go directly to our Campership Fund, helping us provide unforgettable camp experiences to even more campers. For more information or questions, please contact Dana Rickman at [dana@campasca.org](mailto:dana@campasca.org)



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# NOTHING QUITE LIKE IT



## JUDY WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP!



At the close of every summer, one staff member is honored with the Judy Williams Scholarship Award, a recognition chosen by our leadership team. Accompanied by a \$500 scholarship, this award is presented to someone who embodies an extraordinary work ethic, enthusiasm, infectious energy, and a consistently positive attitude. We are deeply proud to share that this year's recipient is Kayana Luke. As a program staff member, Kayana has given her all to this role—not just showing up, but truly investing in every moment. It's people like Kayana who make Camp ASCCA the special place it is. Her presence has made a lasting difference, and her impact will ripple far beyond our gates. Please join us in congratulating Kayana on this well-earned recognition!

# CAMPER OF THE YEAR 2024

## Congratulations AT!

At the end of each summer, all of our staff members have the important responsibility of voting for one camper they believe has had the biggest impact over the entire season. The Camper of the Year Award is a highly prestigious honor. Each summer, hundreds of campers come through the gates of Camp ASCCA, and every one of them shines in their own unique way.

Camp Director Matt Rickman had the honor of presenting the 2024 Camper of the Year Award to Alan Torrontor, also known as AT.

AT's infectious spirit has a way of lighting up every space he enters, leaving a lasting impression on everyone he meets. Whether it's his sense of humor or his signature dance moves, he never fails to make people smile. He embodies the spirit of Camp ASCCA so perfectly, and we are beyond proud of him. AT is truly deserving of this award.

AT has been attending Camp ASCCA for many years, and each time he sets foot on the campground, his energy seems even more contagious. He's kind, funny, full of life, and so much more. To know AT is to love him.

Congratulations, AT, on this well-earned recognition! We can't wait to see how you continue to shine and inspire others in the summers to come. Keep being you!



## Dining Hall Replenish



Camp ASCCA experienced a lightning strike on June 29 that caused fire, smoke, and water damage in the Dining Hall kitchen. Any donation, no matter the amount, is greatly appreciated and will go directly toward getting the Dining Hall up and running again. We couldn't do it without you! Updates will continue to be shared on our social media accounts, so be sure to follow along!

## Alabama Baptist Disaster Relief



This summer took an unexpected turn when lightning struck during check-in for Session #3. Within 24 hours, we were connected with Alabama Disaster Relief, and thanks to their generosity and quick response, Camp ASCCA was back up and running! We welcomed a new team to Camp each week. Alabama Disaster Relief Mass Feeding stepped in during our time of need, and our gratitude for them overflows. Saying "thank you" doesn't feel like enough to express how much we appreciate the hard work, time, and dedication they poured into each week. It was an honor to meet each individual, hear their stories, and share with them the magic of Camp ASCCA. We are incredibly grateful for their willingness to serve. We hope each team left Camp ASCCA with memories as meaningful as the ones they helped create.

*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.*

## Camp ASCCA: The Podcast



Camp ASCCA: The Podcast is back! The podcast is available for listening and downloading on Spotify and Apple Podcasts.

## 2025-2026 Board of Directors

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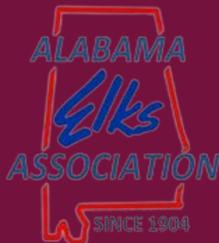
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## THANK YOU ALABAMA ELKS!



# THANK YOU!



On August 2nd, Camp ASCCA proudly hosted our annual Alabama Elks Day, welcoming Elks from across the state for a day filled with fellowship, generosity, and fun. Thanks to the incredible generosity of those in attendance, a total of \$18,910 was donated to Camp ASCCA. We were thrilled to welcome representatives from 16 different lodges as well as members from the Anniston Emblem Club, and the AL State Emblem Club on this special day. We are so grateful to the Alabama Elks for their continued partnership and investment in our campers, our mission, and our future.

## SUMMER 2026 REGISTRATION

### CAMP ASCCA SUMMER 2026 THEMES



Registration for Summer 2026 opens October 1st at 9:00 A.M. CDT! Spots fill up fast, so be ready to secure your place. To the left, you'll find our session dates and weekly themes. For any questions, please contact Amber at [amber@campasca.org](mailto:amber@campasca.org).



## TIDAL WAVE CHARITY DAY

Join us on September 19th at Tidal Wave Auto Spa in Alexander City! Camp ASCCA will receive 50% of the proceeds from this event. Get your car washed, volunteer, hangout, help us spread the word! Contact Dana at [dana@campasca.org](mailto:dana@campasca.org) if you're interested in volunteering.



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