

# Spotlight on 2007 Summer Camps

## ALABAMA

### The Epilepsy Foundation of South Alabama and the Epilepsy Foundation of North/Central Alabama

*Camp Candlelight at Camp ASCCA*  
July 1-6

This weeklong camp for children and teenagers ages 6–18 with epilepsy is located at Jackson's Gap, Alabama on Lake Martin in a safe, medically monitored setting. Activities include swimming, fishing, sports, hiking, horseback riding and more—all of which are accessible and adapted to campers' individual needs and abilities. The cost is \$675 with a non-refundable \$50 application fee. Full scholarships are available. If the applicant qualifies for a scholarship and attends, the Foundation will refund the processing fee. Contact David Toenes at 800-626-1582, 251-432-0970 or [dtoenes@epilepsysouthalabama.org](mailto:dtoenes@epilepsysouthalabama.org).

## ARIZONA

### Epilepsy Foundation of Arizona

*Camp Candlelight*

June 17-23  
Camp Candlelight provides children ages 8–15 with unique camping experiences that combine traditional camp activities with specialized sessions that teach them about their seizures. Campers enjoy an exciting outdoor educational experience with activities that include arts and crafts, archery, campfires, horseback riding, and overnight camp-outs. The cost for the camp is \$355. Financial assistance is available. Contact Tom Walsh at 602-406-3581 or 888-768-2690 or visit [www.epilepsyfoundation.org](http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org).

## CALIFORNIA

### The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles

*Teen Retreat—Freedom, Fun & Friendship*  
June 24-30

Teen Retreat (for teenagers with epilepsy, ages 12–19) takes place at Lake Arrowhead in the San Bernardino Mountains of Southern California. It is a weeklong overnight camp that gives teens with epilepsy a great opportunity to experience camp activities such as swimming, hiking, archery and astronomy. The cost is \$400. Scholarships are available for qualified individuals, based on availability and financial need. Contact Patty at 310-670-2870 for more information or to receive an application.

*Family Camp—Camp Family Fun & Friendship*  
September 14-16

Family Camp takes place at Camp Cragg in Tapia Park in the Santa Monica Mountains between Malibu and Calabasas, California. It provides long-weekend camping for children and young adults with epilepsy between 5–20 years of age and their parents and siblings. The cost is \$180 per family of four with costs a little lower or higher depending on family size. Scholarships are available for qualified individuals, based on availability and financial need. Contact Patty at 310-670-2870 for more information or to receive an application.

### Epilepsy Foundation of Northern California

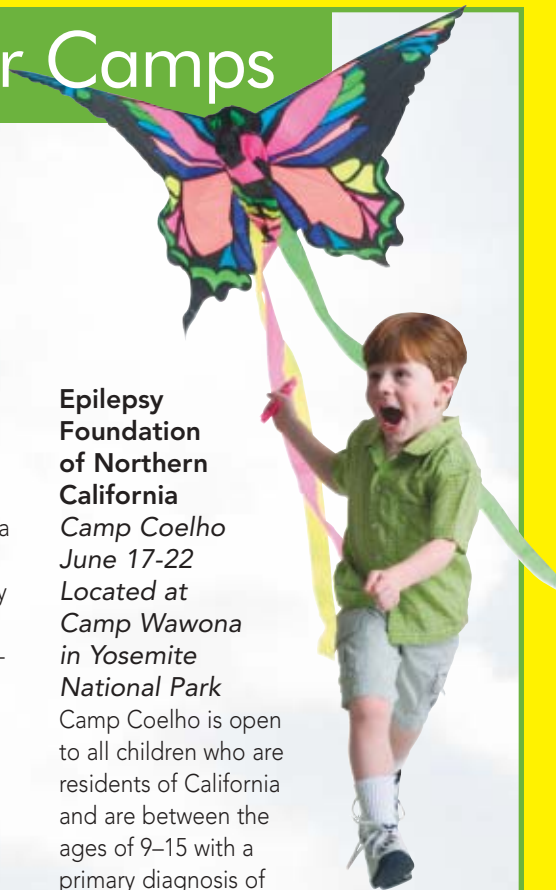
*Camp Coelho*  
June 17-22  
Located at Camp Wawona in Yosemite National Park

Camp Coelho is open to all children who are residents of California and are between the ages of 9–15 with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Cost is \$750. Scholarships are available. Contact William Stack at [williams@epilepsynorcal.org](mailto:williams@epilepsynorcal.org).

### Epilepsy Foundation of San Diego County

*Camp Quest at YMCA Camp Marston*  
July 15-20

Camp Quest is designed to offer the excitement and challenge of summer camp in a safe and medically supervised setting to children with epilepsy, ages 8–12. The children will be integrated with other YMCA campers to give them a well-rounded camping experience, as well as special times with their fellow campers with epilepsy. Contact Jill Webber at 619-296-0161. Registration fee: \$25.



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## COLORADO

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Colorado** *Jason Fleishman Summer Camp* July 22-26

Overnight camp for children and teens with epilepsy, ages 10–17, at Snow Mountain Ranch in Winter Park. Activities include horseback riding, canoeing, basketball and climbing. The cost is \$300. Contact Marcee Peterson or Veronica Valdez at 303-377-9774.

## CONNECTICUT

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut** *Summer Camp for Children with Epilepsy* July 22-27

The camp is held at Easter Seals Camp Hemlocks in Hebron, Connecticut, and is open to kids and teens with epilepsy ages 6–18. Campers will enjoy swimming, arts and crafts, nature, boating, fishing, sports, dance, a climbing wall and a talent show! There is a \$25 non-refundable application fee and a \$199 fee for camp. Contact Linda Wallace at 800-899-3745, efct@sbcglobal.net or visit [www.epilepsyct.net](http://www.epilepsyct.net).

## FLORIDA

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Florida** *Camp Boggy Creek* July 28-August 2

#### *Family Weekend* October 27-28

Boggy Campers meet new friends and share their challenges while enjoying swimming, boating, fishing, arts and crafts, horseback riding, theater, archery, singing and dancing. Camp Boggy Creek is a permanent, year-round facility in Eustis, Florida, where children between the ages of 7–16 with chronic or life-threatening illnesses can come at no charge to them or their families. For a camper application visit [www.BoggyCreek.org](http://www.BoggyCreek.org) or [www.epilepsyfla.org](http://www.epilepsyfla.org).

## GEORGIA

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia** *Camp Lakewood* *Soddy Daisy, Tennessee* Ages 8–18 June 17-23

### *Camp Big Heart* *Winder, Georgia* Ages 8–21 June 17-22

Ages 21+ and over  
June 24-29  
Contact Lloyd Brown, Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia, at 800-527-7105. Full and partial scholarships are available. The cost for Camp Lakewood is \$385 plus a nonrefundable \$15 registration fee and \$365 for Camp Big Heart.

## HAWAII

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Hawaii** *Camp Kukui* June 13-15

Camp Kukui is a summer day camp for kids, ages 6–18, who have epilepsy. It provides an opportunity for campers to learn about seizures, and share some of their feelings with their peers in a supportive setting. Emphasized at this camp are participation in activities, learning new skills, socialization and having fun! Camp Kukui has availability for up to 30 campers aged 6–18. Campers will be accepted on a first-come first-serve basis. Registration and attendance are free to kids with epilepsy. Contact 808-528-3058 or e-mail EFH@HawaiiEpilepsy.com.

## ILLINOIS

### **The Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Chicago** *Camp Blackhawk* July 29-August 3

Camp Blackhawk, located at the Timber Pointe Outdoor Center on Lake Bloomington in Hudson, IL, is a week-long overnight camp for children and teenagers, ages 6–18, with epilepsy. It's a great opportunity for kids to experience the fun of camp activities—swimming,



fishing, sports, hiking, horseback riding and more—all designed to be accessible and adapted to their individual needs and abilities, and all in a safe, medically

monitored setting. The cost is \$600. Scholarships are available for qualified individuals, based on availability and financial need. Call 312-939-8622 for more information or to receive an application.

## KANSAS & MISSOURI

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Kansas and Western Missouri** *Camp Shing* June 22-24

Camp Shing is for children ages 6–17, their parents and siblings. Camp Shing will be held at Tall Oaks Conference Center in Linwood, Kansas. The cost is \$75 for the first person and \$25 for each person beyond that (per family). Scholarships will be available. Contact Carol Vaughn at 816-444-2800 or 800-972-5163.

## LOUISIANA

### **The Epilepsy Foundation of Louisiana** *Camp Alabama* July 8-13

The Epilepsy Foundation of Louisiana will be sending children with epilepsy to a summer camp held in Ruston, Louisiana, at no charge. This camp is run by Med Camp, Inc. Contact [caleb@medcamps.com](mailto:caleb@medcamps.com) or call 877-282-0802. The Foundation office can also be contacted at 800-960-0587 for more information.

## MARYLAND

### Epilepsy Foundation of the Chesapeake Region

*Camp Great Rock*  
July 22-29

Camp Great Rock, a camp for children with epilepsy in Sunshine, Maryland, is sponsored by the Children's National Medical Center. For more information contact Sandy Cushner-Weinstein at 202-884-5142.

## MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE ISLAND

### Epilepsy Foundation of Massachusetts & Rhode Island

*Camp Wee-Kan-Tu*  
June 23-27

Camp Wee-Kan-Tu, in Duxbury, Massachusetts, was founded for children with epilepsy in the Massachusetts and Rhode Island area. Providing a safe place to participate in a welcoming camp environment, the camp offers children and teens ages 8–17 with epilepsy an overnight program full of traditional camp fun and adventure. Contact Sarajune Dagen, RN, at 617-506-6041 or [sdagen@partners.org](mailto:sdagen@partners.org). The cost is \$375.

## MICHIGAN

### Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan

*Camp Discovery*

August 19-23

The Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan's Camp Discovery provides young people with epilepsy in grades 3–10 a safe, structured and encouraging home away from home for five days and four nights. There will be canoeing, kayaking, horseback riding, arts and crafts and swimming. Camp Discovery will be held at the Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center in Augusta, Michigan. There is a fee of \$500 but financial assistance is available. For a camper application, or to sponsor a camper, please call 800-377-6226, ext. 1-231, or e-mail [sdarroch@epilepsymichigan.org](mailto:sdarroch@epilepsymichigan.org).

## MINNESOTA

### Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota

*Camp OZ*  
June 17-22

Camp OZ provides a traditional camp experience with the security of a specially trained medical and behavioral staff for boys and girls, ages 9–17, whose primary medical issue is epilepsy. During this weeklong overnight camp, children enjoy arts and crafts, swimming, sailing, group games, campfires, canoeing and more, while gaining a better understanding of epilepsy and meeting others who know what it's like to live with seizures. Camp OZ takes place at YMCA Camp Ihduhapi in Loretto, Minnesota—just 22 miles west of the Twin Cities. The Camp fee is \$490 and scholarships are available. Contact Nikki at 651-287-2308, 800-779-0777, ext. 2308, [nbaker@efmn.org](mailto:nbaker@efmn.org) or visit [www.efmn.org](http://www.efmn.org).

## MISSISSIPPI

### Epilepsy Foundation of Mississippi

*Alvin P. Flannes Summer Camp*  
May 29-June 2

The annual Alvin P. Flannes Summer Camp for kids with epilepsy will be at Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman, Mississippi. A capable staff of professionals and volunteers are on-site to provide a week of camp in a safe and comfortable atmosphere that lends itself to developing the campers' independence. The camp is free of charge for any child in Mississippi, aged 8–16, who has a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Contact the Epilepsy Foundation of Mississippi at 601-936-5222, 800-898-0291 or [phymsepilepsy@bellsouth.net](mailto:phymsepilepsy@bellsouth.net).

## NEW JERSEY

### Epilepsy Foundation of New Jersey

*Camp NOVA*  
August 19-25

Camp NOVA is a completely handicap accessible, one-week, overnight experience for children and young adults, ages 12–28, who have special needs. Campers come from throughout New Jersey, parts of Pennsylvania and New York to participate in an array of activities from swimming to yoga to acting classes. The cost is \$875 plus a \$50 deposit. For more information contact 856-858-5900 or [hsherman@efnj.com](mailto:hsherman@efnj.com).

### *Mighty Mike's Bounce Out the Stigma™ Basketball Camp in Conjunction with the Epilepsy Foundation of New Jersey*

Three 1-Week Basketball Day Camps throughout New Jersey

August

Phone: 201-725-7224 or 973-244-0850

Ages: 9–18

Fees: 1 week: \$300; 2 weeks: \$550;

3 weeks: \$800. (Each child receives a

"Mighty Mike" Ball, T-Shirt, autographed picture and daily snacks.)

"Mighty Mike" Simmel's Bounce Out the Stigma™ Program enables all children to develop confidence and self empowerment through peer interaction, drills, games and fun. Parent workshops and guest speakers highlight the week as well as special surprises. For more information visit [www.bounceoutthestigma.com](http://www.bounceoutthestigma.com).



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## NEW YORK

### Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern New York, Inc.

Camp scholarships (of up to \$250 to the camps of choice) are available for children with epilepsy ages 5–18 who reside in one of the 22 counties served by this affiliate: Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Warren, Washington, Essex, Clinton, Franklin, St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Lewis, Herkimer, Hamilton, Fulton, Montgomery, Schoharie, Greene, Columbia, Sullivan, Ulster and Dutchess. Contact Deborah Bain at 518-456-7501 or [dbain@epilepsyneny.com](mailto:dbain@epilepsyneny.com).

### Epilepsy Foundation of Rochester, Syracuse, Binghamton Camp EAGR

August 12-18

Camp EAGR is a week-long overnight camp for children and teenagers with epilepsy, ages 8–15. It is located at the YMCA's Camp Weona, just outside of Warsaw, New York. It's a great opportunity for children to participate in activities such as swimming, horseback riding, canoeing and arts and crafts. Along with approximately 30 qualified counselors, Camp EAGR has a neurologist, physician assistant and registered nurses who remain at camp the entire week. The cost is \$300 and scholarships are available. Contact Camp Director Mike Radell at 585-442-4430 ext. 2702 or [m\\_radell@epilepsy-uny.org](mailto:m_radell@epilepsy-uny.org) for more information.

## NORTH CAROLINA

### Epilepsy Foundation of North Carolina

Camp Carefree

Epilepsy week:

June 24-30

Siblings week:

June 17-23

(for well siblings who live with chronically ill children)

Camp Carefree provides a free, one-week camping experience for youngsters from North Carolina and neighboring states with specific health problems and disabilities. The program also includes camps for

well siblings of chronically ill or disabled children and a week for those with a disabled or seriously ill parent. Contact Ann Jones at 336-427-0966 or visit [www.campcarefree.org](http://www.campcarefree.org).

### Victory Junction Gang Camp

Epilepsy week: June 3-7

Siblings: August 7-12

Victory Junction, in Randleman, North Carolina, is a year-round camp that serves children, ages 7–15, who have a variety of health issues. There is no fee to attend. Contact Angela Campbell at 336-498-9055 or visit [www.victoryjunction.org](http://www.victoryjunction.org).

## OHIO

### Epilepsy Foundation of Central Ohio and Epilepsy Foundation of Western Ohio

Camp Firebird

June 11-16

Camp Firebird, in Danville, Ohio, is for children ages 7–17 with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. The \$100 fee is payable at the time the application is received. For families outside the service area the

fee is \$275. The service area

comprises Madison, Union, Delaware, Franklin,

Pickaway, Ross, Knox,

Licking, Fairfield,

Holmes, Coshocton

and Muskingum coun-

ties. Camp activities

include arts and

crafts, archery, swim-

ming, hiking, rock

climbing, and

horseback rid-



ing. Contact Karen Brown, LSW, Camp Director, at 614-261-1100, 800-878-3226 or [kbrown@epilepsy-ohio.org](mailto:kbrown@epilepsy-ohio.org). You can also visit [www.epilepsy-ohio.org](http://www.epilepsy-ohio.org) to download an application.

### Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Cincinnati and the Epilepsy Foundation of Kentuckiana

Camp Dream Catcher

July 8-12

Camp Dream Catcher, for children 8 and up, offers swimming, horseback riding, canoeing, archery, games, crafts and much more. Campers also learn valuable coping skills for dealing with their seizures and meet other great kids who share a similar diagnosis. Cost is \$300. Financial assistance is available. For more information visit [www.epilepsyfoundation.org/cincinnati](http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org/cincinnati) or contact Mark Findley at 877-804-2241.

## PENNSYLVANIA

### Epilepsy Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania

Camp Achieve

August 19-24

For teens and pre-teens with epilepsy at Camp Kweebec in Green Lane, Pennsylvania. Contact Emily at 215-629-5003.

### Epilepsy Foundation of Western/Central Pennsylvania

Camp Frog

July 8-14, YMCA Camp Fitch

(\$420 per child. Please contact Kate Wilson at 800-361-5885 or [kwilson@efwp.org](mailto:kwilson@efwp.org) for more information.)

July 15-21, YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser

(\$515 per child. Please contact Gretchen Knaub at 800-336-0301 or [gknaub@efwp.org](mailto:gknaub@efwp.org) for more information.)

Camp Frog is a fully integrated camp program that places extra supportive and medical services into existing YMCA summer camp programs for children and teens ages 8–17 with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Camp Frog offers an array of activities including archery, horseback rid-

ing, climbing towers, paintball, fishing, swimming and much more. Camp Frog is located at two locations, Camp Fitch near Lake Erie, and Camp Conrad Weiser near the Reading area. Financial assistance is available through the Epilepsy Foundation Western/Central Pennsylvania Scholarship Fund.

## **SOUTH CAROLINA**

### **Epilepsy Foundation of South Carolina**

#### **Camp River Run June 10-15**

Camp River Run is a weeklong residential summer camp in South Carolina for children ages 7–14 who have a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Camp River Run provides a traditional camp experience with trained counselors and medical personnel. Campers enjoy an exciting summer experience and will be semi-integrated with general camp activities. Full scholarships are provided to all campers with epilepsy. To request an application call 803-798-8502 or visit [www.epilepsysc.org](http://www.epilepsysc.org).

## **TENNESSEE**

### **Epilepsy Foundation of East Tennessee and the Epilepsy Foundation of Middle and West Tennessee**

#### **Camp Discovery July 1-6**

Camp Discovery is for young people ages 7–19 (Adults with epilepsy over age 19 can attend camp on a different week). The cost is \$300 per camper. Financial assistance is available. Applications are due to the Foundation office by May 31st. Contact Pam Hughes at 800-951-4991 or 865-522-4991.

## **TEXAS**

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Southeast Texas**

#### **Camp Spike'n'Wave June 10-16**

Camp Spike'n'Wave, a weeklong residential camp for kids ages 8–14 who have epilepsy, is held at Camp For All in Burton, Texas. All activities, including horseback riding, rock climbing, challenge

course, art and crafts, canoeing, archery and biking, are designed to allow all campers to participate and be challenged at their own highest ability. Camp is free to all campers, although donations are appreciated. Please contact Mandi Trotter at 713-789-6295, 888-548-9716, or e-mail at [MTrotter@efset.org](mailto:MTrotter@efset.org).

#### **Kamp Kaleidoscope August 12-17**

At Kamp Kaleidoscope, teens ages 15–19 with epilepsy enjoy biking, fishing, archery, field sports, swimming, canoeing, horseback riding and much more at Camp For All in Burton, Texas. Camp is free to all campers, although donations are greatly appreciated. Please contact Mandi Trotter at 713-789-6295, 888-548-9716, or e-mail at [MTrotter@efset.org](mailto:MTrotter@efset.org).

## **VIRGINIA**

### **Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia August 6-10**

#### **Boys & Girls, Ages 9–13 at 4H Camp in Jamestown, VA**

The Epilepsy Foundation of Virginia (EFVA) is partnering with the 4H of Virginia to create a fun-filled week of overnight camping at a beautiful location right on the James River next to historic Jamestown. The camp days will be filled with a large variety of activities including swimming, boating, rope courses, hiking and more. EFVA will provide extra staff for additional support to an already well-run program. Visit [www.efvase.org](http://www.efvase.org) for more information. Space is limited and registration has started. The cost is \$195, financial assistance is available. Contact Tanya at 757-438-2398 for details.

## **WASHINGTON**

### **Epilepsy Foundation Northwest Camp Discovery**

#### **August 27-30**

Camp Discovery will be held at YMCA Camp Coleman, in Longbranch, Washington, near Gig Harbor. It provides opportunities for children ages of 7–17 with epilepsy from Washington and Oregon, and their siblings, to take part in camp activities in a safe environment.

Scholarships available for children with epilepsy on an as-needed basis. Visit Web site [www.epilepsynw.org](http://www.epilepsynw.org), call 800-752-3509, or e-mail Alta Hancock at [ahancock@epilepsynw.org](mailto:ahancock@epilepsynw.org) for an application and/or more information.

## **WISCONSIN**

### **Epilepsy Foundation Central & Northeast Wisconsin**

#### **800-924-9932**

### **Epilepsy Foundation South Central Wisconsin**

#### **800-657-4929**

### **Epilepsy Foundation Southeast Wisconsin**

#### **414-271-0110**

### **Epilepsy Foundation Southern Wisconsin**

#### **800-693-2287**

### **Epilepsy Foundation Western Wisconsin**

#### **800-924-2105**

#### **All five Wisconsin affiliates sponsor Camp Phoenix**

#### **July 22-27**

Children ages 8–17 with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy are invited to attend Camp Phoenix, which is held at Wisconsin Lions Camp in Rosholt, Wisconsin. Our children are integrated with children with other medical conditions. A nursing staff is on-site 24 hours a day and Epilepsy Foundation staff are available for extra support when needed. Price: \$600. Each affiliate solicits donations from their community in order to offer scholarships. Contact your local affiliate (see above) for information and applications for camp and for information about scholarships.

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