

“Wear It” Campaign at J. Percy Priest Lake

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Tennessee area waters.

Beginning Memorial Day holiday weekend, a Wear It Tennessee campaign boat will be cruising J. Percy Priest Lake, giving away inflatable life jackets in exchange for a pledge to Wear It. The campaign will take place throughout the summer, based primarily on J. Percy



Priest Lake.

Life Jacket Zone signs, Wear It! Banners, Boating Checklist

The Wear It Tennessee Campaign kicked off on May 23, 2008 at Elm Hill Marina. Wear It Tennessee! Campaign, a national effort to increase voluntary wear of life jackets among adults is sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Office of Boating Safety and the National Safe Boating Council. The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are also joining forces to educate boaters on the importance of life jackets while recreating around



placards, and other reminders will be placed near area launch ramps around the lake.

For additional information relating to the Wear It Tennessee Campaign, visit <http://www.wearitennessee.com/>.

Dale Hollow Water Safety

By: Park Ranger Bobby Bartlett and Allen Earhart



Dale Hollow Park Rangers Bobby Bartlett and Allen Earhart conducted a boating and water safety program for Overton County kids. More than three hundred fifth graders attended the program, held May 9 in Livingston, Tenn.

Pam Schmaltz Joins Office of Counsel

Pam Schmaltz is the newest addition to the Office of Counsel team. Pam comes to us from the Kansas City District, where she worked for over seven years.

A graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, Schmaltz has a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering. She worked as a project engineer for Shell Oil Company designing equipment for offshore oil platforms in the Gulf of Mexico. Schmaltz received her law degree from Loyola University School of Law in New Orleans. Schmaltz worked for several law firms, practicing environmental law, before entering the government. She credits her engineering background as helpful when working with clients to find legal solutions to technical problems.

While in Kansas City, Schmaltz worked on a variety of legal issues including radioactive waste disposal, a complex



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construction claim involving the US Disciplinary Barracks at Ft. Leavenworth, environmental clean-ups in the FUDS and FUSRAP programs, Clean Water Act violations, construction delay claims, contract disputes, and EEO complaints. She has

served two details to the Mississippi Gulf Coast to assist the Louisiana Recovery Field Office with hurricane debris clean-up efforts.

While in New Orleans, she met and married her husband, Kevin Schmaltz. Kevin is a professor of Mechanical Engineering at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky. They have a six-year old son and a seven-year old beagle.