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Welcome to the 2012 edition of the Dale Hollow Lake Visitors' Guide! It's my pleasure to play a small role in bringing this year's Guide to you.

Tourism is alive and well in the Middle Tennessee and South Central Kentucky regions. While many industries have shown declines in recent years, tourism continues to hold strong – and that is more than true around Dale Hollow Lake. The people I've talked with while putting this Guide together have a positive outlook for 2012, and I certainly hope that proves to be the case. All signs seem to be pointing in that direction as far as recreation/tourism is concerned.

The 2012 Dale Hollow Lake Visitors' Guide remains a key resource for visitors to our region. It is chock full of information to help visitors have an even better experience and none of it would be possible without the advertising support you'll see in these pages. I encourage everyone to show your support to these key businesses, as they work hard to showcase the Dale Hollow area in the best possible manner.

While serving visitors remains the prime focus of this publication, it also provides vital information to locals as well. Many area professionals keep this Guide handy throughout the year as a reference point for Dale Hollow Lake background information, as well as a reminder of what local businesses have to offer visitors and area residents alike.

I look forward to this and many more editions of the Dale Hollow Lake Visitors' Guide. I have some plans for improvements and additions in the works and I can't wait to share those with everyone soon. In the meantime, much thanks goes to Andrea and Terry Burckhard, Janice Neal and Janet Hopson for the extraordinary work they've all put into this publication over the years. They have created a masterful asset for the region, and I'm thankful to have the opportunity to take the reins from here.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me if you have suggestions about the Guide or questions about anything. I'm here to help in any way possible. Thank you to the visitors for coming to our wonderful region and thank you again to the advertisers and story contributors for making this guide possible.

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A note from the Burckhard Family... We hope you enjoy the ninth annual visitor guide. It is truly amazing that we have been producing these guides for almost a decade now, but boy has the Burckhard family had fun. We have learned first hand why generations of so many families have been coming to Dale Hollow Lake to escape, unwind and enjoy the pristine waters that offer abundant recreation with awesome boating, jet skiing and the best swimming in clear, clean waters. Many folks that moved away in the 50's and 60's to work in the north are coming back home to their beloved roots around the lake to retire.

Terry and I are also entering this phase of our journey and have been seeking a successor for these beloved guides which offer the loyal visitors and those discovering Dale Hollow Lake's off-the-beaten track stories, things to do and lake information to enjoy while visiting or planning a visit. We proudly announce that we have found the perfect person, Jay Albrecht. Jay is taking our "baby" and will be steering the boat so to speak, from now on. Jay is no stranger to the publishing and media world. He grew up producing and setting newspapers in his family business. Jay is very excited. Terry and I have been so blessed to meet so many awesome people - the business owners around the lake, vacationers, and residents while traveling around the lake and attending many events (and will continue to do so). "Annie" hopes to contribute some stories in "Annie's Travels and Treasures" occasionally and hopes to see many of you out and about.

This next phase allows Terry to be semi-retired and allows "Annie" the chance to spend more time with her family while continuing to build her full time profession with New York Life Insurance Company. We thank all of our advertisers and friends around the lake, but most of all - our readers for your support over the last decade. It has been an incredible journey and one that Grant and Blake (our twin sons) have definitely benefited from. They love Dale Hollow Lake and call this their home lake.

Now some news! The Byrdstown Pickett County Welcome Center is open to serve you. The first official welcome center coming from the north, located on Hwy. 111 is a showcase with tourist information, visitor guides and a community room to welcome you. Downtown Celina continues to flourish with their antique stores and shops around the square. One of my favorites, the Wholesale Depot has discounted name brand make-up, designer shoes at a fraction of the cost and name brand tools and equipment. Paula and Brian have moved in from the east to escape the rat race and have opened up a much needed store that folks from all over the region are flocking to. Livingston/Overton County continues to boom. Their recent "Christmas in the Country" got even the Scrooges smiling and joyful about Christmas. Decorated light post, a beautiful tree, Christmas music and hot chocolate on the square set such a picturesque scene. The merchants were happy to stay open longer to accommodate the holiday shoppers. I love this small town celebration and am so thankful to live in this great region. Many memories, down-home values and families coming together to celebrate the season. There is much more inside this issue, so open read on and enjoy! We wish Jay Albrecht and all of you some awesome Dale Hollow Lake memories this year!