

SSI ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

2019 LAND BETWEEN THE LAKES SHORELINE CLEANUP



Webster the Work-Wise Owl

Webster is the mascot of the WISE (Webster's Incredibly Safe Employees) Team. The team is a group of employees dedicated to safety and protection of the environment.



Team members from the Infrastructure Support Services Contract met at Land Between the Lakes Scenic Overlook Drive to pick up trash. Volunteer Coordinator Anita (last name unknown) is at the right.

On September 9, 2019, SSI employees volunteered to participate in the fall Shoreline Cleanup sponsored by the Friends of Land Between the Lakes (LBL). The goal of the half-day event was to pick up as much trash as possible from LBL shorelines and visitor areas. SSI was assigned the Scenic Overlook Drive, a popular one-way drive overlooking Kentucky Lake, providing visitors with views of Kentucky Dam and the Kentucky Lake shoreline.

Unfortunately, there are no trash cans at the many scenic overlooks and visitors sometimes leave trash. The remoteness of the LBL regrettably also lends itself to illegal dumping of items that are harmful to the environment and resident wildlife.

The SSI team worked hard in multiple locations and in just a few hours had gathered over ½ ton of trash. Some of the items collected included:

- Multiple tires
- Rolls of carpet
- Clothing
- Liquor bottles
- Soft drink containers
- Dishes, flatware
- Fast food bags

While the team was there, two team members, Amie Turner and Doug Jones, observed and reported an incipient fire. Amie, Doug, and other team members did their best to extinguish the fire. In the meantime, county fire services were notified, responded, and extinguished the fire.

Team members who participated included:

- Ryan Brown and family
- Allen Burnett
- Latrice Ford
- Jason Gilbert
- Bill Jackson and Happy
- Debora Jolly
- Doug Jones
- Jose Lamboy
- JoAnne Snyder
- JoAnn Price
- Jim Rogers
- Jim Tortorelli
- Chris Turner
- Tessie Wright



At left, JoAnn Price collects an old tire. Below, Bill Jackson and Happy on the hunt for trash. Top right, heroes Doug Jones and Amie Turner. Bottom right, Jose Lamboy hiking up the hill with another bag.

