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### Lake Lanier Game Warden Wins 2024 GA DNR Law Enforcement Torch Award

**SOCIAL CIRCLE** – Recently, Game Warden First Class Adam Kimbrough, who is assigned to Banks County and regularly patrols Lake Lanier, was named the winner of the 2024 GA DNR Law Enforcement Torch Award. The Torch Award is presented annually within the Law Enforcement Division (LED) to encourage the professional development of recently appointed game wardens. Kimbrough has been a GA DNR game warden for three and a half years.

In order to receive a nomination for the Torch Award, a game warden must not have worked as a wildlife enforcement officer more than five years, must have demonstrated a genuine desire to protect the resources and develop professionally, and must demonstrate exceptional ability and initiative in the performance of his or her duties, including public education. Kimbrough far exceeded these benchmarks.



GWFC Adam Kimbrough

According to his supervisors, GWFC Kimbrough is always willing to help others and displays a selfless attitude. His dedication to his community, his coworkers, and to the Department are exemplary. His strong work ethic is evident by the fact that he had a total of 399 documented violations, 132 assists, and a combined total of 637 total boating, hunting, and fishing license checks.

Additionally, Kimbrough has excelled in serving his community by participating in numerous programs. These programs include boating safety presentations at Cherokee Bluff High School, Oakwood Elementary School, and River Forks Park. He also attended a program at the Banks County Elementary School, a fishing rodeo in Maysville, and the Agriculture Day at Banks Primary School.

“As a game warden with less than four years of experience, Adam is already a good example to both new and experienced game wardens within the Department,” said DNR Law Enforcement Director Colonel Mike England. “His efforts this past year have been outstanding, and he is certainly deserving of this award.”

As Georgia’s Torch Award winner, Kimbrough will also be a nominee for the Torch Award for the Southeast Region of the North American Wildlife Enforcement Officers Association (NAWEOA) at their annual meeting later this year.

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