

# 2019 KAMM Annual Conference

Pre-Conference Day Activity

## National Weather Service (NWS) SKYWARN® Storm Spotter Training

Monday, September 16, 2019

9:30 – 11:30 am (CST)

Lake Barkley State Resort Park

**Presented by:**  
**Christine Wielgos, Meteorologist, NWS**

Join us for the two-hour SKYWARN® storm spotter class sponsored by KAMM! SKYWARN® storm spotters are part of the ranks of citizens who form the nation's first line of defense against severe weather. There can be no finer reward than to know that your efforts gave a community the precious gift of time--seconds and minutes that can help save lives.

### Who Should Attend?

NWS encourages anyone with an interest in public service to attend the class. Storm spotter volunteers include police and fire personnel, dispatchers, EMS workers, public utility workers and other concerned private citizens. Individuals affiliated with hospitals, schools, churches, nursing homes or who have a responsibility for protecting others are also encouraged to become a spotter.

### What Will You Learn?

NWS has 122 local Weather Forecast Offices, each with a Warning Coordination Meteorologist.

- Basics of thunderstorm development
- Fundamentals of storm structure
- Identifying potential severe weather features
- Information to report
- How to report information
- Basic severe weather safety

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## BIO

### Christine Wielgos

Christine Wielgos is a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Paducah KY. She has been a meteorologist with the NWS for over 19 years and has taught over 175 spotter training classes over the years. She believes that spotters serve an integral part of NWS warning operations. She strives to make sure spotters know their value and have the knowledge they need to make accurate and timely reports.

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