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Jennings Randolph Lake

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Jennings Randolph Lake wins top recreational awards

JENNINGS RANDOLPH LAKE, W.Va. – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Jennings Randolph Lake, its Howell Run Picnic Area and its Shaw Beach have been selected by ReserveAmerica as some of America's top recreational sites for 2007.

For the second year in a row, Jennings Randolph Lake was named one of America's "Top 25 Fishing Spots," an award based on maintaining optimal availability and fish variety, while achieving high water quality and conditions.

Making its award debut, the Howell Run Picnic Area was selected as one of America's "Top 25 Picnic Areas." The award-winning picnic area sits in the rugged hillside and provides the picnicker with a scenic view of the lake. The area includes 26 picnic tables, 13 grills, two covered pavilions that can accommodate up to 50 people, a volleyball court and two horseshoe pits.

Shaw Beach also maintained its title as one of America's "Top 20 Park Beaches," an award based on water, sand quality and overall cleanliness for beach-goers. This 200-foot-long beach is available to all visitors at no cost and includes such amenities as changing stations and playground equipment. Shoreline fishing is permitted everywhere except for the swimming area.

"The sheer beauty and diverse recreational activities available make Jennings Randolph Lake a highly desired and unspoiled recreation destination," said Bill Donnellan, supervisory ranger at Jennings Randolph Lake.

ReserveAmerica is North America's leading camping reservation provider servicing agencies such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service. Each year, they select America's top outdoor locations in various categories for their prestigious Outdoor Recreation Awards.

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