

BEREA COLLEGE FORESTRY OUTREACH CENTER

AUGUST 2018 FRIENDS OF THE FOREST NEWSLETTER

#VISTA OPEN HOUSE WELCOME AND FAREWELL-AUGUST 11, 2018



Friends of the Forest Open House 12:00-2:00 PM Please help us say goodbye and thank you to Ashley Mike and Kayla Zagray, the VISTAs who have put their heart and souls in to getting the Center up and running this year. Words can't express our gratitude. Simultaneously, we welcome two new VISTAs to the Center, John Abrams and Alison Adkins. Please join us for this community gathering to celebrate work well done and good work to come.

What's Coming Up?

Hikes:

-Weekly Pinnacle Hikes Fri & Sat at 9:00AM Beginning September 1st Hikes will change times to: Sat & Sun at 1:00PM Meet @ FOC

Events: -Open House Welcome/Farewell Saturday, 8/11, 12:00-2:00PM At the FOC

-FOC CLOSED LABOR DAY September 3rd



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VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION!!!



From acting as greeters at the FOC welcome desk to trail clean-ups, our volunteers have been very busy this month! On July 12, about 80 high school volunteers from Lexington's Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints came to the FOC to help begin the process of restoring the Indian Fort Amphitheater. The teens painted the fences surrounding the area, cleaned the amphitheater, and completed some of the mortaring work that is badly needed. Then, on July 15, about 10 people came out led by first year Berea College student, Hunter McDavid to pick up debris from the Brushy Fork trails!







P.A.G.E. VISITS THE FOC

On Friday the 27th students from PAGE (Promoting Appalachian Girl's Education) visited the FOC during their Berea College tour. After a presentation about the history of the BC Forest, students walked to the amphitheater for a quick talk about its history and finished their visit by touring the FOC itself.

STUDENT SUCCESSES!

This summer, our students have completed many great projects which they've worked hard on all summer, including including studies of local birds, trees, geology, neuroscience of being in the forest, video documentaries, website work, and serving as hike leaders and greeters.

To learn more, please visit our website at:

forestryoutreach, berea.edu



HIKING TRAILS AND TALES

FOC staff John, Alison, Wendy, and Stephen lead guided hikes for two groups on Saturday July 28th. One group of Boy Scouts ages 6-10, and a group of teens from the Locally Grown Youth Ministry in Midland, KY. Both groups opted to hike to the East Pinnacle and a good time was had by all.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEER GREETERS!

OUR VOLUNTEER GREETER OPENINGS ARE EMPTY FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER!

Please visit the GoogleDoc link on our websites volunteer page to sign up to be a Greeter at the FOC. Simply click on the month listed at the bottom of the GoogleDoc, look for open dates and time slots, and type in youor name to fill one of the spots. If you'd rather we complete the document, simply email your information to ashley_mike@berea.edu or kzagray@kent.edu and we would be happy to add your name to the list!