

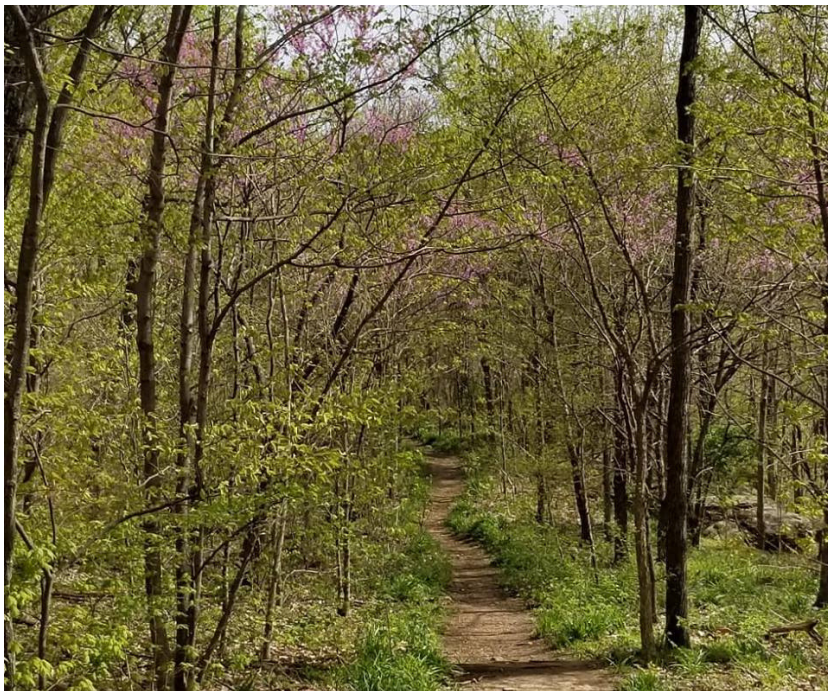


BEREA COLLEGE FORESTRY OUTREACH CENTER



MAY 2019 FRIENDS OF THE FOREST NEWSLETTER

Spring and Summer Group Hikes!



The Center is looking forward to summer fun and summer weather! As May begins we are excited to announce we will be offering three group hikes per week instead of one! Starting **May 10th**, we will offer hikes **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at 10:00 AM-12:30 PM**. Some of these hikes will be themed naturalist hikes. Themed hikes will be announced on our website and social media so be sure to follow us for more information. Happy hiking!

What's Coming Up?

Spring Hours: Every day 10:00 AM-4:00 PM.

Saturday, May 5th, 1:00 PM-3:30 PM: Group Hike

Saturday, May 5th, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM: Book Club

Starting May 10th, Every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 10:00 AM-12:30 PM: Group Hikes at the Pinnacles

Friday, May 10th, 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM: Naturalist Workshop

Thursday, May 16th, 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM: Documentary Dialogue

Friday, May 24th, 2:00 PM-4:00 PM: Naturalist Workshop



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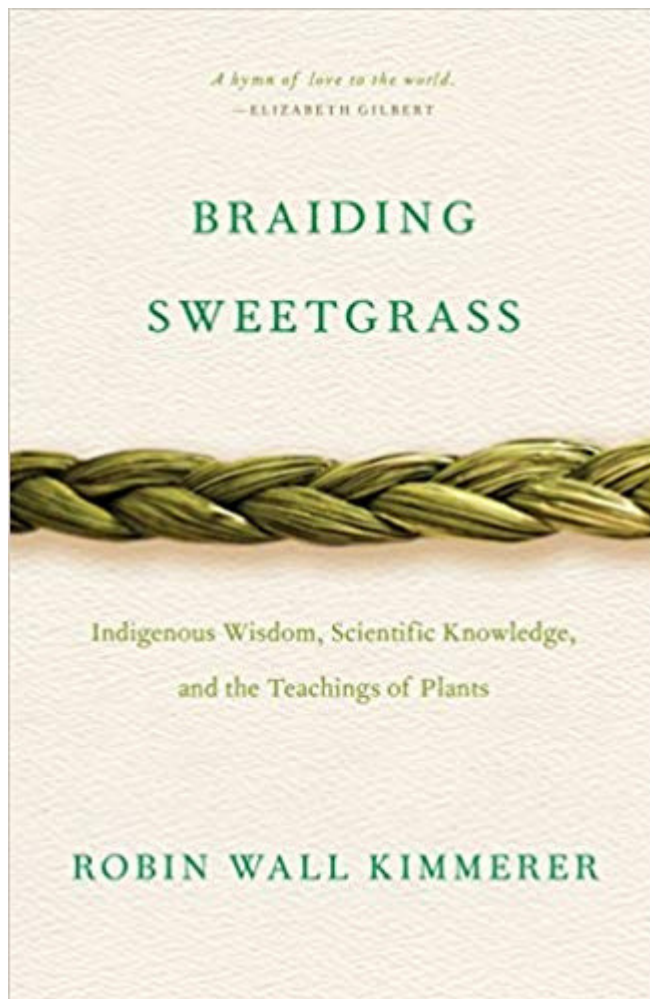


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Book Club Continues!

Our May book club meeting will be your last chance to discuss *Braiding Sweetgrass* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. This meeting will take place on **Saturday, May 5th, 11:30 AM-12:30 PM**. The discussion will focus on the last section of the book but we will also discuss the book as a whole. At the end of the meeting, we will also choose the next book for the book club so please feel free to bring suggestions with you to the meeting.

See you at Book Club!



Documentary Dialogues



Documentary Dialogues will continue **May 16th, 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM!** This month our documentary and discussion will focus on the efforts to restore the American Chestnut Tree. This tree was once one of the most common trees in the forest but was nearly destroyed by an invasive blight in the early 20th century. The effort to restore the tree is a massive undertaking of science and environmental activism and the Berea College Forest hopes to play a part in this project.

We hope you can join us for a short documentary, discussion facilitated by Clint Patterson and John Abrams, and hopefully the planting of a chestnut sapling.



Congratulations to our Graduate!



The Forestry Outreach Center wants to say congratulations to our labor student Jordan Byrnes as he graduates from Berea College this month! Congratulations Jordan!



Naturalist Workshops

Our bi-weekly, Friday Naturalist Workshops will continue in May. This month there will be two workshops the first will be on **Friday, May 10th, 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM**. The second workshop will take place on **Friday, May 24th, 2:00 PM- 4:00 PM**. The topic for these events and a signup sheet will be published on our Facebook and website before the events take place, so watch our online platforms to stay up to date about the upcoming workshops.

Call for Volunteers!

Ever thought of being a greeter at the FOC? There are still positions available for **May and June!** Visit our volunteers' page on our website at forestryoutreach.berea.edu to sign up. If you would prefer us to sign you up, email alison_adkins@bera.edu with the date and time you want to volunteer. We are also recruiting volunteers to lead hikes, to work as naturalist assistants, to help with trail maintenance, and to help with the removal of invasive species. You can sign up for these positions on our website as well or email alison_adkins@bera.edu with the position you are interested in or any questions you may have.