

BEREA COLLEGE FORESTRY OUTREACH CENTER

September 2019 Friends of the Forest Newsletter

Welcome Back, Students!

The Forestry Outreach Center welcomes all the students, staff and faculty back to Berea! We are excited to see all the new faces and familiar ones out on our beautiful trails.

We hope every student, staff, and faculty member enjoyed their summer break, and we invite students, staff, and faculty to join our group hikes every Saturday at 1:00PM-3:30PM.

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A Look Back at Summer

The Forestry Outreach Center enjoyed working with some amazing partners this summer, and we want to give them a big shout out! Thank you, Berea Kids Eat, for letting us join you at Glades Garden to provide some garden-based learning before lunch. Thank you, Madison County Library-Berea Location, for having us share our love and knowledge of the natural world with learners of all ages on our forest.

And thank you, Outdoor Adventure Club for using the Indian Fort Theatre and our forest for some amazing free play. We had fun with these groups and appreciate our growing partnerships with the Berea community.



Photo: John Abrams teaching about decomposers; photo per parent permission

What's coming up?

All events are free and open to the public.

Center Hours:

Every Day @ 10:00AM-4:00PM

Closed @ 3:30 on Tuesdays

**CLOSED SEPT. 2nd for
LABOR DAY**

Group Hikes:

Saturdays @ 1:00PM-3:30PM

Mayflower II Livestream Launch:

Sept. 7th @ 2:00PM-3:30PM

Book Club:

Sept. 8th @ 1:00PM-2:00PM

At Berea Public Library-Stars:

Sept. 20th @ 6:00PM

Documentary Dialogue:

Sept. 26th @ 6:00PM-8:00PM

Volunteer Opportunity:

Sept. 24th @ 1:00PM-5:00PM



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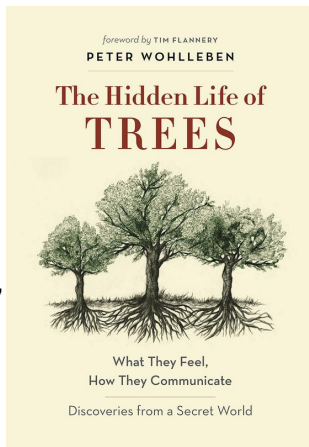


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Book Club

Explore a deeper understanding of how the forests around us live and communicate. Join us in discussing *The Hidden Life of Trees*, in which German forester, Peter Wohlleben, shares his evolving understanding of the complexities of forest life, death, and regeneration.



Book Club will meet Sunday, September 8th from 1:00PM-2:00PM.

Library Partnership: Stars!

The night skies will be filled with STARS this fall, as the FOC teams up with the Berea Branch of the Madison County Public Library and the Berea College Yahng Discovery Center and Science Department. Join us at the Berea Public Library on September 20th, 2019 @ 6:00PM. Jeff Hutton will kick off the series with a multi-media presentation called *Why the Sky?*

Observe These Future Events

Save the Dates: October 6 at 7pm the Berea College Planetarium will celebrate International Observe the Moon Night. Friday, November 1st and Nov. 8th, Jeff Hutton, Tracy Hodge and her students will join us at the Center for stargazing.

Livestream of Mayflower II



Join us Saturday, September 7th from 2-3:30 for a very special event. White Oak from the Berea Forest was used in the recent restoration of the Mayflower replica. On September 7th, it will be launched at Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Connecticut. Head Forester Clint Patterson will join us to talk about this project as we watch a livestream of the launch.

Faculty and Staff Invitation

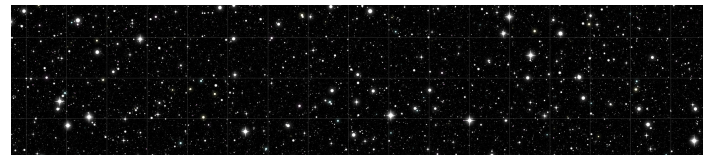


The Forestry Outreach Center invites you to consider a different environment for a class session or work meeting. Hiking is a great way to build community!

The FOC team is happy to work with you to plan a class session; we hope you'll plan some time outdoors this school year!

"Adopt the pace of nature; her secret is patience"
- Ralph Emerson

Documentary Dialogue



This month's Documentary Dialogue, September 26th, 2019 from 6:00-8:00PM, will focus on the stars and night skies above. Professor Traci Hodge will join us in discussing the International Dark Sky Initiative.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to signing up to be a Center greeter on the weekends, fall will bring a few new volunteer opportunities. On Tuesday, September 24th, from 1-5 pm, we invite you to assist Berea College Forester Glen Dandeneau in removing graffiti from the area around Indian Fort. He's got a couple of new techniques he'd like to try out and could use a few more hands. Meet at the Center at 1 prepared to hike to the work site.

Also SAVE THE DATE for more volunteer opportunities the afternoons of Nov. 12th and 19th, when Glen will be working on invasive species removal.