

## April 2023

KWOA Wood Post



# **Spring 2023**

Bloodroot is an early spring wildflower found in rich woodlands throughout KY. The leaf expands after flowering and can grow to 8" wide. Although the plant contains an alkaloid that has medicinal value (anti-bacterial, antifungal, anti-inflammatory), it is toxic. FDA warns agains even small doses. The botanical genus name is Sanguinaria; derived from the Latin word for "blood"; hence the common name of Bloodroot. The root juice is a reddish color that was used by Native Americans as body paint and as a fabric dye. Other common names are Puccoon and Indian Paint. Watch for the flower in March -April. If you miss the flower watch for the large round lobed leaf!

Photo by Portia Brown

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# **Woodland Community Updates**

## Land, Water, Trees, & Wildlife: Simple Steps to Stewardship

Workshops for *new landowners or folks just starting out on land management*. KWOA members and partners are encouraged to spread the word by reaching out to "new" folks in their area of the state. Registration links and info on our website **here.** Dates and locations.

- April 25 6-8:30pm (ET) Campbell County Extension Office
- **April 27** 6-8:30pm (CT) Warren County Extension Office
- May 23 6-8:30pm (ET) Bullitt County Extension Office

## **2023 Annual Meeting Recap**

KWOA members and partners enjoyed being together and taking in the great educational programs. The summer issue of our Kentucky Woodlands Newsletter will provide a brief recap of these programs; but, of course, you learn so much more by being there. Planning is already underway for the 2024 KWOA Annual Meeting.

Carbon Credits were addressed with open-ended discussions. The consensus is that it is too early to tell how this will play out. Only one company is active in Kentucky; we expect more programs to be offered this Fall. In the meantime, we continue to gather information. *If you have worked with any of the carbon credit programs, we would love to hear about your experience.* You can share your reactions, by emailing info@kwoa.net attention to Jack Rentz.

The Board of Directors Slate was approved at the Annual Business meeting, and the directors elected officers for both KWOA and KWOF. See the new board member listing here.

To help us focus on who and where we are, we put a map up at the annual meeting for attendees to put a sticker on the county(s) where they have woodlands. Based on the information we currently have member woodlands are in 64 of the 120 counties: 80,000 acres (125 square miles) reported across the state from Fulton Co far west (70 acres) to Pike Co far east (88 acres). We have owners residing in 10 states.

When a person joins KWOA they are asked to fill in their woodland county(s) and the number of acres. Alas, many members skip over this section. New KWOA initiatives are being discussed to better serve our members and our mission; having a good count of the counties and acreages we serve can help us plan. We encourage you to share this information if you did not previously do so. We'll make sure to keep you posted as the board works on some new ideas for regional outreach.

We are always happy to hear from our members. Email to <a href="info@kwoa.net">info@kwoa.net</a> reaches several directors and a board member will get back to you.

- Ongoing -

"From the Woods Today": Wednesdays at 11 a.m. ET.

Join live or watch recorded shows later at the website at



#### www.fromthewoodstoday.com

April 5: Road Layout for Fire Lines, Planting Trees and Tree Ordinances

April 12: Bird ID, Tree of the Week, Steps to Stewardship

April 19: All Things Earthy (Earth Day Special), Wildlife ID

April 26: Benefits of Urban Reforestation, Wildlife Sounds

#### SPRING FOREST FIRE HAZARD SEASON: FEB. 15 - APR.30

It is illegal to burn between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m Learn More <a href="https://www.kwoa.net/news/forest-fires">www.kwoa.net/news/forest-fires</a>

#### 2023 Woodland Owners Short Course (WOSC) Schedule

Online Sessions (7—8:30 PM Eastern): • June 20, June 22, June 27, June 29 Field Sessions (9:30-3:00 PM Local):

- July 15 Pennyrile State Forest
- July 29 \*- Elk Cave Farm in Boyle County (See Save the Date below)

Kentucky Woodland Owners Foundation (KWOF) is one of the sponsors for the WOSC program.

# Save the Date: July 29, 2023\* The Taylor Legacy Continues Elk Cave Farm, Gravel Switch, KY

The University of Kentucky Forestry Extension & Elk Cave Farm (AKA The Taylor Family Tree Farm) will be hosting a forestry field day for woodland owners. The Taylors are active KWOA members. Dr. Clifton Taylor was on the KWOA/KWOF board for many years and his son, Scott Taylor, was just elected Vice President of KWOA. The family farm reflects the value of management practices on the ground and the importance of succession planning.



## ARRI - Appalachian Regional Reforestation Program

On April 6, ARRi will plant seedlings in honor of Cliff Taylor during the volunteer ARRI—Arbor Day planting event. There will be two 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes from Perry Co & Knott Co, attending this planting event. Learn about ARRI here.

Planning a Harvest? A Kentucky Master Logger must be on-site and in charge of every

commercial logging operation (excluding horse loggers). Kentucky's best management practices must be used on every commercial logging operation (including horse loggers). Best to Check Out These Resources:

- Kentucky Master Logger Program: <a href="https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu">https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu</a>
- Bad Actor Information & List: https://masterlogger.ca.uky.edu/bad-actor-information

### Just so you know

- If you haven't already joined the KWOA network, click here to join.
- You can share our news! See links at the bottom of this message.
- You can always contact us; send a message to info@kwoa.net with questions, suggestions, news, or to volunteer

Growing Forests for Our Future! KWOA volunteers work year-round providing opportunities that benefit Kentucky's woodland owners and contribute to sustainable forestry.

> **KWOA Mission** "Bringing people and woodland sustainability together"

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