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Join us for a Free Lecture on Natural Resource Management

Brevard, NC, 9/17/2026— North Carolina's forests are among the state's most important natural resources. Our forests are prized for their scenic beauty, sporting tourism, and outdoor recreation. Pivotal in protecting these areas are Natural Resource Managers from federal, state, and private entities, who work together to manage our region's valuable forest lands.

On **Thursday, September 24th**, FIND Outdoors is proud to invite the public to the **free Stewards & Storytellers Learning Series** entitled the **'Natural Resource Management is Serious Business...sometimes'**.

The lecture will be presented by **Robert Beanblossom**, a longtime Forest Manager with decades of experience, who retired after 42 years with the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources. He now volunteers as the beloved caretaker at the Cradle of Forestry in America, where he continues his commitment to forest stewardship and public education.

Join us to discover the secrets and tales of Robert Beanblossom's forested past and to hear humorous stories of a lifetime spent stewarding our natural resources.

Tickets are free thanks to support from Self Help Credit Union, but RSVPs are made at www.gofindoutdoors.org and are encouraged. The event is open to the public and includes two complimentary alcoholic beverages and light snacks. Drinks are made available through generous support from Oskar Blues.

The FIND Outdoors NEST is located at 49 Pisgah Hwy, Suite 3, Pisgah Forest, NC. FIND Outdoors proudly provides the NEST to aligned partners and organizations to interface with the community and provide means for collaboration. To request the space, please fill out the form on the FIND Outdoors website.

The Stewards & Storytellers Learning Series brings together community members, outdoor professionals, educators, and conservationists to share knowledge and inspire stewardship of our public lands through engaging presentations on a variety of outdoor topics. Keep an eye out for upcoming events in the series!

About FIND Outdoors:

FIND Outdoors is a 501(c)(3) outdoor recreation nonprofit that centers forest education and stewardship. Based in Pisgah Forest, FIND Outdoors has been stewarding public lands for over 50 years, with a vision to create a lasting community of appreciation for the outdoors. Learn more about FIND and ways you can be involved at www.gofindoutdoors.org/about.

The poster has a red top section with white birds in flight. Below this is an orange section with a dark teal box containing the date 'SEPT 24, 2026'. The main title 'Stewards & Storytellers' is in a white script font, with 'Presented by Self Help Credit Union' in a smaller white sans-serif font below it. The central theme 'Natural Resource Management is Serious Business...sometimes' is in a bold, dark blue sans-serif font. A photograph of Robert Beanblossom, a man with glasses and a light blue shirt, is on the left. To his right is a paragraph of text about his forested past. Below the text is a stack of logs and a small tree. A red starburst graphic with the words 'FREE EVENT!' is in the bottom left. The bottom of the poster is red with the website 'GO FIND OUTDOORS.ORG/STEWARDS' in white.

Stewards & Storytellers
Presented by Self Help Credit Union

SEPT 24, 2026

**Natural Resource Management
is Serious Business...sometimes**

Discover the secrets and tales of Bob Beanblossom's forested past. He will share a collective amount of stories from his time of managing our valuable forest lands.

Robert Beanblossom
Featured Speaker

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JUNE 11	Bioluminescence in Western North Carolina <i>with Jennifer Frick-Ruppert</i>
JULY 9	Native Plants for Landscapes & Home Gardens <i>with Tony Ward</i>
JULY 23	Edible & Medicinal Plants of the Smokies <i>with Lee "Natty" Trebotich</i>
AUG 20	Wildlife Photography Basics <i>with Steve Matadobra</i>
SEPT 10	History of the French Broad River <i>with David & Debi Whitmire</i>
SEPT 24	Natural Resource Management <i>with Robert Beanblossom</i>

49 Pisgah Hwy, Suite 3, Pisgah Forest, NC 28768
All events start at 6:00 PM

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