

**ChicoryLane Symposium – Day 2**  
**Multiple Session Field Day**  
**Saturday, May 16, 2026**

**Overview**

- 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- 6 sessions
  - Some overlapping
- Most sessions involve a Walk
  - Walk will assume a designated path through selected terrain appropriate for the session topic
    - Path worked out by session leader(s) prior to session
  - Durations of walks: 2 hours total for session, with 90 minutes for actual walk
  - Length of walk: ~0.5 – 0.75 miles (~800 – 1200 yds)
- Subgroups
  - Number of subgroups determined by total number of registrants for session
  - 25 Participants is regarded as subgroup target size
  - All walk sessions will involve multiple subgroups
    - Assume ~3 no-shows from registrations
    - E.g., 54 registrants => 2 subgroups of ~25 each
    - E.g., 84 registrants => 3 subgroups of ~25 each
  - Goal for subgroup
    - All participants will experience (or have the opportunity to experience) the full path for the session
    - All participants will have approximately equal time with each subleader
    - To realize these goals, a simplified Latin Square (LS) strategy will be used
      - For multiple larger, multileader groups, the overall path will be divided into 2 or 3 different areas each of which may be ~300-500 yards long
      - Each area will have a designated subleader
        - Subleader remains in that area
          - Simplification: LS model assumes subleaders also rotate through all areas

- Subleader may wander the entire area, speak at his/her chosen location(s) within, etc.
  - Subgroups rotate through the subareas at designated intervals (i.e., ~30 or 45 minutes)
- Support
  - Each subgroup will have a subgroup wrangler who stays with the subgroup for the entire session
  - Helps with the initial division of the overall group into two or three subgroups, depending on numbers
  - Leads the subgroup to the initial assigned area and to subsequent areas at the appropriate time(s)
  - Three-group session subleaders will have an assigned volunteer
  - Volunteers keep track of the time for each interval for the subgroup within an area
  - Volunteer keeps the leader aware of time remaining for the group in the particular area
  - Volunteer stays with the subleader during startup for next subgroup

## Details

- The 6 sessions scheduled for Saturday include:
  - 2 3-subgroup sessions
    - Native Shrub Walk
    - Insects Walk
  - 3 2-subgroup
    - Bird Walk
    - Herbaceous Plants Walk
    - Woodcock Walk
  - 1 single Group Q&A
- 3-Subgroups walk
  - Need 6 volunteers
    - 3 Subgroup wranglers
    - 3 Leader volunteers
  - Since these two walks occur at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM, the same set of volunteers will support both walks
- 2-Subgroup walks
  - Need 2 volunteers
    - 2 Subgroup wranglers

- (The two groups will switch leaders when they meet ~half-way along the path, desirable but not essential?)

## Session Particulars

- 8:00 AM: Bird Walk (55 Registered)
  - Leader: Doug Wentzel
    - Co-Leader: Julia Plummer
  - Subgroup Volunteers
    - SG1: Suzy Yetter
    - SG2: Liz Heness
- 10:00 AM: Native Shrub Walk (84 Registered)
  - Leader: Doug Tallamy
    - Co-Leader1: James Leshar
    - Co-Leader2: Jennifer Dombroski
  - Subgroup Volunteers
    - SGV1: Eric Oliver
    - SGV2: Kevin Anderson
    - SGV3: Kelly Anderson
  - Leader Volunteers
    - LV1: Donnan Stoicovy
    - LV2: Kristen Carroll
    - LV3: Angie Spagnoli
- 1:00 PM Insect Walk (73 Registered)
  - Leader: Bella Petitta
    - Co-Leader1: Nina Devine
    - Co-Leader2: Valeria Lee
  - Subgroup Volunteers (Same Volunteer teams as Shrub Walk?)
    - SGV1: Eric Oliver
    - SGV2: Kevin Anderson
    - SGV3: Kelly Anderson
  - Leader Volunteers
    - LV1: Donnan Stoicovy
    - LV2: Kristen Carroll
    - LV3: Angie Spagnoli
- 1:30 PM: ChicoryLane Q & A (30 Registered)
  - Respondents: CLF Board

- 3:00 PM: Herbaceous Plant Walk (55 Registered)
  - Leader: James Leshner
    - Co-Leader: Kathy Weaver
  - Subgroup Volunteers
    - SG1: Mike Dombroski
    - SG2: Catherine Smith
- 3:00 PM: Woodcock Walk (47 Registered - Concurrent)
  - Leader: Adam Smith
    - Co-Leader: Mark Banker
  - Subgroup Volunteers
    - SG1: Aaron Lewis
    - SG2: Carla Hime