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**Center for Agroforestry Will Attend the Great River Road Chestnut Roast**

The University of Missouri Center for Agroforestry will participate in the Great River Road Chestnut Roast at Forrest Keeling Nursery on Saturday, October 18th from 10am to 4pm. In addition to providing samples of fresh roasted chestnuts the Center for Agroforestry will sell one and five pound bags of chestnuts, offer free chestnut recipe cards, literature about growing chestnuts and guides on profitability in agroforestry.

The Center for Agroforestry which is part of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources, is one of the world's leading centers contributing to the sciences underlying agroforestry, the practice of intensive land-use management combining trees and shrubs with crops or livestock. Agroforestry practices help landowners to diversify products, markets and farm income; improve soil and water quality; sequester carbon, and reduce erosion, non-point source pollution and damage due to flooding; and mitigate climate change. The five integrated practices of agroforestry (forest farming, alley cropping, silvopasture, riparian buffers and windbreaks) enhance land and aquatic habitats for fish and wildlife and improve biodiversity while sustaining land resources for generations to come.

Plan now to attend this annual fun event at Forrest Keeling Nursery located at 88 Forrest Keeling Lane in Elsberry, Missouri. For more information about the event contact Forrest Keeling Nursery at 573-898-5571. Visit their website: [www.forrestkeeling.com](http://www.forrestkeeling.com). For specific information on agroforestry visit the Center's website: [www.centerforagroforestry.org](http://www.centerforagroforestry.org).