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**“Heartwood is people helping people protect the places they love.”**

When you join Heartwood, you join a community of people who care enough to make a difference. Whether stopping commercial logging in public forests, ending mountain-top removal coal mining, or blocking new coal-fired power plants, we work together to protect the places we call home.

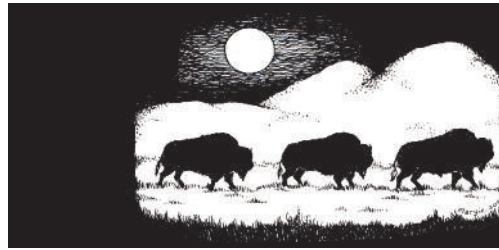
**“Heartwood is defined not by what we oppose but by our shared vision of a just, cooperative, and enduring human society living in harmony with the natural world.”**

When you join Heartwood, you gain access to a body of knowledge about living sustainably in the forests, farms, and towns of the hardwood region, from the economics of food to alternative sources of energy and much more.

When you join Heartwood, you also get discounts at Heartwood events (the Reunion and Forest Council), regular Action Alerts, and our publication, *Heartbeat*.

And because Heartwood is efficient, resourceful, and lean, your contributions make a bigger difference!

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## a history of forest protection

Heartwood's legal challenges have stopped hundreds of timber sales and protected hundreds of thousands of acres in public forests across the country. We have provided technical, legal, and scientific support and training to individuals and grassroots organizations. Heartwood has spearheaded efforts to reduce wasteful uses of wood while promoting models of low-impact and sustainable forestry on private forest lands.

## redefining “success”

We cannot secure lasting protection through the courts or even Congress. True change can only come with a change of heart. We have to learn how to live in the landscape in ways that meet the needs of people without destroying the forests that sustain us. We also must learn to live together, even with those with whom we disagree. The way we treat our neighbors is as important as the way we treat the Earth. Our future depends on the choices we make today.



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**h**earthwood is a cooperative network of grassroots groups, individuals, and local businesses working to protect and sustain healthy forests and vital human communities in the Eastern, Southern, and Midwestern United States.



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heartwood was founded in 1991 to coordinate efforts to protect the heartland hardwood forest. This majestic forest once stretched from the Atlantic seaboard to the river bottoms of the Great Plains and from the Great Lakes to the Deep South. While greatly diminished, the hardwood forest still represents more than two-thirds of the productive forest land in the United States and provides home to a great variety of plant and animal species including more than 70 species of hardwood trees.

While our early efforts were focused on public forest protection, new threats including mountain-top removal coal mining and global climate change require new alliances and a new approach.



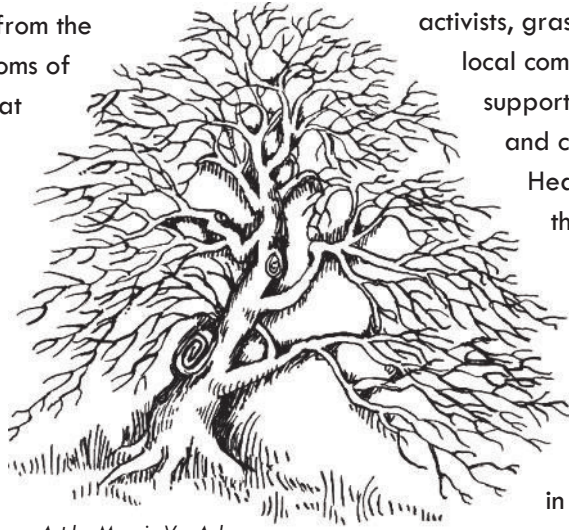
## heartwood programs

### Forest Watch

Heartwood's Forest Watch Program continues to provide national leadership in challenging the privatization, commercialization, and exploitation of our nation's public lands, through education, administrative appeals, and litigation. Our goal is to permanently protect public lands by shifting the management emphasis from extractive uses to climate stability, air and water quality, recreation, wilderness, and wildlife habitat.

### Network Support

Heartwood supports and empowers individual activists, grassroots organizations, and local communities through trainings, support services, direct assistance, and coordination of efforts. Heartwood's two annual events, the Memorial Weekend Forest Council and the Fall Reunion, help disseminate vital information, establish long-term working relationships, and develop shared strategies in a spirit of unity and cooperation.



Art by Margie VanAuken

### Sustainable Communities

Heartwood member organizations and network participants are active in organizing farmers markets, food cooperatives, and other projects in their communities. Heartwood is co-sponsoring permaculture design trainings and promoting efforts to reduce consumption and eliminate waste. We highlight models of alternative energy and transportation, local and regional food networks, and low-impact and community forestry.



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