



Adirondack Research Consortium

Finding Ways to Share Research and Information

Myron Mitchell Receives the 2014 Adirondack Achievement Award



Dr. Myron J. Mitchell was presented with the 2014 Adirondack Achievement Award at the 21st Annual Conference on the Adirondacks held in Lake Placid, NY. Dr. Mitchell is a Distinguished Professor in the Department of Environmental and Forest Biology at SUNY ESF. He was recognized for his decades of significant research in the Adirondacks to understand the effects of atmospheric deposition on forests of the Northeast. The award is given annually to an individual or group of individuals who have demonstrated significant contributions to the long-term sustainability of the Adirondack Park.

(Photo from left: Dan Fitts, Consortium Executive Director, SUNYESF President Emeritus, Dr. Cornelius B. Murphy, Jr., Dr. Myron and Debbie Mitchell, SUNY-ESF President, Dr. Quentin Wheeler and Dan Spada, Consortium President. Photo by Ken Rimany)

21st Annual Conference on the Adirondacks



On May 14th and 15th, 2014 the Adirondack Research Consortium held the 21st Annual Conference on the Adirondacks at the High Peaks Resort in Lake Placid. The theme was "Moving Forward-Revitalizing Communities and Forging Opportunities". Keynote speakers Jim Herman and Dave Mason of the ADK Futures Project set the tone for the Conference which was based on the "Sustainable Life" scenario. Presentations on Cleaner Greener Communities, Renewable Heat New York, water quality, population demographics and higher education as an economic driver were just a few of the many topics presented at the Conference. Richard Kauffman, the Governor's Energy Advisor presented his views on the State's energy development, and Quentin Wheeler, President of SUNY ESF discussed his ideas for the future of the College. The Conference also

featured a world premiere of the "The Resilient Ones", a Mountain Lake PBS documentary on the local and global impacts of climate change. *(Richard Kauffman at left. Photo by Ken Rimany)*

2014 Student Research Symposium

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The 2014 Adirondack Research Consortium's Student Research Symposium was held at Paul Smith's College on April 12th, 2014. Over 25 students and faculty from Clarkson University, St. Lawrence University, Paul Smith's College, and SUNY ESF participated. Presentations ranged from biomass energy, water drainage modeling, to snowshoe hare and coyote studies. This annual event is made possible by grant funding for the Consortium's Student Scholar Program from the Glenn and Carol Pearsall Foundation and the International Paper Foundation. Students participating in the Symposium receive automatic invitations to the 21st Annual Conference on the Adirondacks.



Honghao Huang and Neil Kohan of SUNY ESF present their research on the emission and energy performance of cordwood-fired heaters. *(Photo by Honghao Huang)*

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2014 Fall Workshop "What is the Greater Threat to Northern Forest Communities: Climate Change or White-tailed Deer?"

September 25, 2014, Tannery Pond Community Center, North Creek, NY

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AJES UPDATE

The purpose of the workshop was to promote an understanding of the impacts of white tail deer populations on forest regeneration, biodiversity, human health, and local communities in New York's Northern Forest.

We are pleased to have recently shared with you Volumes 18 and 19 of the Adirondack Journal of Environmental Studies (AJES). We have been a little behind on publishing AJES but I'm sure you will agree the quality of the material in each has been well worth the wait. We are now caught up on our publishing schedule and as we move forward there is big news to share.

Beginning with Volume 20, the Consortium is moving forward on a publishing partnership with Union College. The College has a growing Adirondack program which is highlighted by the Kelly Adirondack Center which includes the Paul Schaefer House and the Adirondack Library, formally the home for the Association for the Protection of the Adirondacks. In partnership with the College, we will be introducing a new look for the Journal, and you will still find the same solid content you have enjoyed for the last 20-years. Working with the College a more reliable source of funding and staffing support will lead to a regular publishing schedule. It is also expected that AJES will be a compliment to the College's Adirondack program. We are continuing to expand the AJES Editorial Board and invite anyone interested in participating on it to contact us!



2015 Coming Events:
College Student Research Symposium
April 11, 2015 , Paul Smith's College

22nd Annual Conference on the Adirondacks
"The Adirondack Forests - Opportunities for Diversity, Water Quality, and Innovation"
May 13th & 14th, 2015, Lake Placid, NY

Pictured above left, clockwise, Melissa Prusinski, NYS DOH on human impacts; Dr. Catherine Cardelus, Colgate University, presents her community based research; Dr. Bruce Selleck, Colgate University moderates the proceedings. Photos by Frank Pine.



The 2014 Board of Directors May Meeting in Lake Placid, NY. Pictured left to right, Eileen Allen, Liz Thorndike, Bill Porter, Tom Young, Dan Spada, Dan Fitts, Bruce Selleck, and Dave Miller. Missing are Jeff Anthony, Tim Burpoe, Brian Chabot, Curt Gervich, Amanda Lavigne, Willie Janeway, Stacy McNulty, Greg Slack. *Photo by Ken Rimany.*

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