



Adirondack Research Consortium

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25th Annual Conference on the Adirondacks
The Conference Center at Lake Placid, Lake Placid, NY
May 22nd and 23rd, 2018

“25 Years – Research Needs Yesterday, Today, and in the Future”



Join us for the 25th anniversary of the Annual Conference on the Adirondacks. The program will engage a variety of issues as they were 25 years ago, today, and what challenges we might expect 25 years in the future.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

- 7:30 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast, Poster and Exhibit Set-Up
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome: **Amanda Lavigne, Ph.D.**, President, Adirondack Research Consortium
Hon. Craig Randall, Mayor, Village of Lake Placid
- 8:45 a.m. Keynote: **Hon. Sherburne B. Abbott**, Vice President for Sustainability Initiatives and University Professor of Sustainability Science and Policy, Syracuse University, “Acid Rain to Climate Change”.
- 9:30 a.m. Speaker: **Michael W. Klemens, Ph.D.**, “Ecological Stewardship: Empowering Communities to Protect the Commons”
- Panel: Conservation Subdivision Design, **Dave Gibson**, Managing Partner with Adirondack Wild, Chair; **Michale Glennon, Ph.D.**, Science Director, Adirondack Program of the Wildlife Conservation Society; **Hon. Fred Monroe**, Executive Director, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board; and, **Hon. Bill Farber**, Supervisor, Town of Morehouse and Chair, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors.
- 10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 1: Adirondack Wildlife Health	Session 2: Traditional Ecological Knowledge
Jorie M. Favreau , Paul Smith's College; Lee Ann Sporn , Paul Smith's College; Nina Schoch , Adirondack Wildlife Health Institute; and DEC.	Neil Patterson Jr. , Center for Native Peoples & the Environment, SUNY-ESF; and, Jen Kretser , Director of Programs, The Wild Center.

12:00 p.m. Lunch –Guest Speakers: **Peg Olsen**, Executive Director, and **Michelle Brown**, Senior Conservation Scientist, Adirondack Nature Conservancy, “Why is Science Important?”

1:30 p.m. Panel: Strategies and Trends in Private Forest Land Management: **Dave Miller**, Adirondack Research Consortium (Moderator), **Tom Martin**, President and CEO, American Forest Foundation; **John Bartow**, Executive Director, Empire State Forest Products Association; and, **Rob Davies**, Director, Division of Lands and Forests and NYS Forester, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

2:45 p.m. Break

3:45 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 1: Forest Invasive Species	Session 2: Birds, A Slow Loss of Northern Forest Icons
John Bartow , Executive Director, Empire State Forest Products Association	Michale Glennon, Ph.D. , Science Director, Adirondack Program of the Wildlife Conservation Society

5:00 p.m. Reception – **POSTER SESSION**: Meet the Poster Authors
Refreshments, Music, and Prizes!

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

7:30 a.m. Registration Opens, Continental Breakfast

8:00 a.m. 2017 Adirondack Research Consortium's Annual Meeting and Elections

- Election of Board Officers
- President's Report
- Open Membership Comments

8:30 a.m. Social Issues in the Adirondacks
Poverty in the Adirondacks, **Bill McColgan**, President and CEO, WCFE Mountain Lake PBS; Rural Health Care, **Sylvia Getman**, President and CEO, Adirondack Health; and, Education Trends, **Cathy Dove, Ph.D.**, President, Paul Smith's College.

9:30 a.m. Break

10:00 a.m. Panel: Energy: **Dave Miller**, Adirondack Research Consortium (Moderator), **Alberto Bianchetti**, Manager, Government Relations, National Grid, **Alicia Barton**, President and CEO, NYSEERDA, **Francis J. Murray, Jr.**, Energy Consultant.

11:00 a.m. ADK Futures – Year 5.5 Update: **Dave Mason and Jim Herman**

- 12:00 p.m. Annual Awards Luncheon:
- Special Recognition: **Dr. Bruce W. Selleck** (1949-2017)
 - Student Award: **2018 Ecology and Environment Richard H. Morse Award**
 - Presentation of the **2018 Dr. Elizabeth W. Thorndike Adirondack Achievement Award**: **Dr. Nina Schoch**, Executive Director, Adirondack Center for Loon Conservation

1:30 p.m. **Dr. Bruce W. Selleck** Adirondack Contemporary Issues Forum



Bruce Selleck

Water Quality – Salt Impacts

Work on lakes and streams and efforts to reduce salt loads.

Panel: **Dan Kelting, Ph.D.**, Chair, Executive Director, Adirondack Watershed Institute at Paul Smith's College; **Chris Navitsky, PE**, Lake George Waterkeeper, Community Engagement; **Jim Sutherland, Ph.D.**, NYS DEC, Streams; **Michael Twiss, Ph.D.**, Clarkson University, Cascade Lakes; and, **Brendan Wiltse, Ph.D.**, Science & Stewardship Director, Ausable River Association, Turnover of Mirror Lake.

3:00 p.m. Adjourn