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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.

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

- 7:30 a.m. Registration, Continental Breakfast, Poster and Exhibit Set-Up
- 8:15 a.m. Welcome: **Eileen B. Allen**, Vice President, Adirondack Research Consortium
Hon. Craig Randall, Mayor, Village of Lake Placid
- 8:30 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”.
- 9:15 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, Moderator; **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.
- 10:30 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 1: Adirondack Wildlife Health	Session 2: Traditional Ecological Knowledge	Session 3: Deglaciation/ Macroinvertebrates Research
Ellen Kraly , Colgate University, Moderator; Jorie M. Favreau , Paul Smith's College; Lynn Miller , South Florida Wildlife Center; Nina Schoch , Adirondack Wildlife Health Institute.	Dan Spada , Adirondack Research Consortium, Moderator; Neil Patterson Jr. , Center for Native Peoples & the Environment, SUNY-ESF; and, Jen Kretser , Director of Programs, The Wild Center.	Melanie Johnson , Paul Smith's College, Moderator; Alex Gregory , SUNY Potsdam, Modeling Deglaciation; Craig Milewski , Paul Smith's College, Community Ecology.

12:00 p.m. Lunch –Guest Speaker: **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: **David 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.

3:00 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 1: Forest and Aquatic Invasive Species	Session 2: Birds/Moose/Lake Research
John Bartow , Executive Director, Empire State Forest Products Association, Moderator; Rob Davies , State Forester and Director Division of Lands and Forests, NYS DEC; Jerry Carlson , Research Scientist, NYS DEC; Erin Vennie-Vollrath , Aquatics Program Coordinator, APIP; Carrie Brown-Lima , Director, NY Invasive Species Research Institute at Cornell University; and, Jennifer Pontius , Rubenstein School of Environmental and Natural Resources.	Stephen Bird , Clarkson University, Moderator; Michale Glennon, Ph.D. , Science Director, Adirondack Program of the Wildlife Conservation Society, Birds, A Slow Loss of Northern Forest Icons; James Stickles , NYS DEC, Moose Research in the Adirondacks; Neil Murphy , SUNY ESF, Oligotrophic Lake's Harmful Algal Bloom.

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
- Treasurer's Report
- President's Report
- Open Membership Comments

8:30 a.m. Social Issues in the Adirondacks: **Cornelius B. Murphy, Jr.** SUNY ESF, Moderator, 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: **Amanda Lavigne**, ANCA and President, Adirondack Research Consortium Moderator, **Alberto Bianchetti**, Regional Executive for National Grid’s Central New York Division; **Alicia Barton**, President and CEO, NYSERDA; and, **Francis J. Murray, Jr.**, retired government official and energy expert.

11:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions:

Session 1: ADK Futures – Year 5.5 Update:	Session 2: What is the Soil Telling Us?
Elizabeth Thorndike , Adirondack Research Consortium, Moderator; Dave Mason and Jim Herman , ADK Futures Project	Melanie Johnson , Paul Smith’s College, Moderator; Tim Messner , SUNY Potsdam, Adirondack Archaeology; Kurt Smemo , Skidmore College, Soils and Community Dynamics; Curt Stager , Paul Smith’s College, Ecology of Bear Pond.

12:00 p.m. Annual Awards Luncheon:

- Special Recognition: Remembering **Dr. Bruce W. Selleck** (1949-2017)
- Student Award: **2018 Ecology and Environment Richard H. Morse Award, Amanda Preston**, Paul Smith’s College
- 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 “Hot Issues” Forum

Water Quality – Salt Impacts

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



Bruce Selleck

Panel: **Dan Kelting, Ph.D.**, Chair, Executive Director, Adirondack Watershed Institute at Paul Smith’s College, Moderator; **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



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