



2019 Winter News

The 2019 **Celebrating Women in Leadership Forum** was held at Paul Smith's College last February. Eighty-five women and men participated in the event focused on "Workplace Resources, Tools, and Strategies" and featured a keynote presentation by SUNY Potsdam President Dr. Kristen Esterberg. This program is sponsored by the Walbridge Foundation. Photo of participants at right by Melanie Johnson.



The **26th Annual Conference on the Adirondacks** was held last May in Lake Placid. Featured speakers and their topics included Stephanie Hanes Wilson, Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, "The Intersection of Culture and Conservation"; Jennifer Hushaw Shakun, Manomet, "Private Working Forests as a Climate Change Solution"; and, Dr. Laura Valeria Gonzales-Murphy, Director, NYS Office of New Americans, "Immigration Programs and Challenges". Pictured above left a panel discussion on Protect's report, "Economic and Population Trends in the Adirondacks". Featured speakers left-to-right: Dr. Anthony Collins, President, Clarkson University; Stanzi Bliss, Director of Donor Services/Communications, Adirondack Foundation; Ross Whaley, CGA, Moderator; James McKenna, CEO, ROOST; Peter Bauer, Executive Director, Protect; and the Hon. Dan Stec, NYS Assembly. At right, Sabine Denkenberger plays classical guitar during the Student Poster Reception. Below, Dr. Nancy Mathews, Dean of UVM's Rubenstein School with Dan Fitts accepting the 2019 Dr. Elizabeth Thorndike Adirondack Achievement Award on behalf of Dr. William Porter, Boone & Crockett Chair of Wildlife Conservation, Michigan State University. Photos by Frank Pine.



Matching Fund Campaign to Sustain Excellence in Adirondack Research

We need your help! There has never been a greater need for science and research to inform policies impacting the region. To better support and sustain our work in the Adirondacks, we have launched a matching campaign to raise \$20,000. We have already raised \$10,000 through gifts from generous donors and the Board of Directors. Now that we are half-way to our goal, we are asking our corporate partners, members and friends to consider a matching gift toward the final \$10,000. Contributions of any size are appreciated, and will be matched dollar for dollar, doubling the impact. The money will be used to continue quality expert programming on the key issues facing the region. To make a tax-deductible donation with a credit card today, go to www.adkresearch.org/contact/donation.asp.



The **2019 Social Science Research Workshop** was held in October at Paul Smith's College and featured a keynote by renowned ecologist Bill Weber. The purpose of the workshop was to continue the dialogue on past and current social science research in the region and to begin coordinating social science research to better address social issues within the Adirondacks. Pictured at right are Clarkson students that participated in the workshop.

The **2019 Forestry Roundtable** was held last October at SUNY Adirondack in partnership with Empire State Forest Products Association. The discussion focus was understanding the implementation of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. At left, Paul Smith's College Sustainability Professor Dr. Brett Mcleod, far right, with Dan Fitts and two Paul Smith's students, far left, Isaac Leach and Wolf Mueller. Photo by Muriel Church.



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Upcoming 2020 ARC Events

Celebrating Women in Leadership "Diversity and Inclusion"
Friday, February 14, 2020
Paul Smith's College

27th Annual Conference on the Adirondacks
May 13 & 14, 2020
Paul Smith's College