



## **Algonquin to Adirondacks Collaborative**

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### **Board of Directors/Staff Biographies**

**GARY PBELL** — is the recently retired Nature Conservancy of Canada's Program Manager for Eastern Ontario. Gary received his BSc from Queen's and his MSc and PhD from Carleton University. His current work is focused on the A2A Region where he has completed conservation planning for the Frontenac Arch and has negotiated the purchase of over 4,000 acres of priority conservation lands.

**KEN BUCHAN** — Ph.D. Geophysics, Board member of the Ontario Rivers Alliance and the Quetico Foundation, and a past president of the Ottawa Valley Chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society. He helped develop the original A2A Conservation Initiative in the 1990's.

**KATE CLEARY** - is currently an associate professor at Clarkson University. Kate earned her Masters in Fish, Wildlife and Conservation Biology in 2010 from Colorado State University and her PhD in Fish and Wildlife Sciences in 2016 from the University of Idaho

**EMILY CONGER** moved to the A2A area in 1970, and became keenly interested in conserving the area's wildlife. She has been working on environmental and sustainability issues since the 1970s, and has worked over the years with a variety of organizations. She has been a director of A2A since 2001.

**JOHN DAVIS** - is executive director of The Rewilding Institute and editor of Rewilding Earth. He also serves as volunteer land steward in Split Rock Wildway for Eddy Foundation, securing Wildlands linking Lake Champlain with Adirondack High Peaks. He is the author or editor of many publications on wildlands conservation.

**ALEX FRENCH** – is a conservation and sustainability advocate from Potsdam New York. Alex is currently the sustainability coordinator at Clarkson University and is involved in a and has a MSc. in Environmental Policy.

**MIKE KEHOE** — is a program manager specializing in organizational transformation and governance. He has a Bachelor of Computer Science degree from Concordia University and is a Chartered Professional Accountant, Certified Management Accountant (CPA, CMA).

**PETER MILLIKEN** – The Honourable Peter Milliken served as speaker of the House under several governments. Since retiring, he has become involved in numerous community and charitable works, with a focus on Conservation. In addition to his work with the A2A Board, Peter also sits on the Board of the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

**DOUG MUNRO** - is land Stewardship Manager for Adirondack Land Trust and long-time hiker and skier of Adirondack Park. Doug also know the Thousand Islands Area well, as his family has a multi-generation camp and philanthropic interests there

**SONIA NOBREGA** – is the Senior Manager at the Queen's University Biological research Station. Sonia has an M.Sc. in Biology from Queen's.

BETHANY GARRETSON - is a professor of Environmental Studies at Paul Smith College and Clarkson University and is an active writer, blogger, and advocate for outdoor and nature activities and environmental and social justice.

HOLLY HAYES, Executive Director is an outdoor enthusiast, who lives and plays in the A2A Region near Algonquin Park. Throughout her career she has managed various teams through the development of Environmental programs and projects including contaminated site remediation and species at risk survey and protection plans. Education includes an Environmental Engineering Diploma, a B.Sc., in Environmental Science and Canada Green Building Advisor Certification.