



Institute for Environmental
and Sustainability Studies

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Your contribution directly supports the activities and programs of the Pine Lake Institute for Environmental and Sustainability Studies and the Pine Lake Environmental Campus.

Mission

Pine Lake, as the environmental campus of Hartwick College, plays an integral role in the larger campus. It is a place to live with and learn from nature; a site where the entire community of learners will study and use the environment in ways that sustain rather than deplete resources; and a place where collaborative learning connects the environment to the curricular and co-curricular life of the College as well as the lives of individual students, faculty, staff, and community residents.

THE PINE LAKE INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES, formed in 2007, promotes sustainability education, research, and outreach in a setting that reflects environmental stewardship and integrates lessons and experiences among all at Hartwick College and in the regional community. Focused on supporting the Upper Susquehanna/Delaware River region, the Institute conducts research, sponsors educational programs, and runs workshops focused on environmental and sustainability studies. The Institute consists of the Pine Lake Environmental Campus (student living-learning community, summer institute, and public recreation), the Center for Sustainable Living, and the Robert R. Smith Biological Field Station.

Benefits

All "Friends of Pine Lake" receive:

- Recognition as a Friend of Pine Lake
- Day use of Pine Lake Environmental Campus
- Access to recreation such as swimming, fishing, boating, hiking, bicycling, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing
- Discounts on rentals and lodging
- Early notification of cabin rental availability
- Online subscription to the annual *Pine Lake Journal* and Institute publications
- Invitations to Pine Lake events
- Tours of Pine Lake facilities

*Pine Lake Environmental Campus is located at 1894
Charlotte Creek Road, Oneonta
(near West Davenport) Phone: 607-278-5429.*



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (\$60) | <input type="checkbox"/> Contributing (\$500) |
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Pine Lake Environmental Campus

Few liberal arts colleges offer a natural classroom of woodlands, wetlands, and a lake located just eight miles from the main campus. Since its purchase by Hartwick in 1971, Pine Lake has played an integral role in the College's commitment to environmental and sustainability studies and to experiential learning that is collaborative, interdisciplinary, and community-centered. PLEC provides access to more than 2,000 acres of forest, which include: Mud Lake, a high-elevation kettlehole bog; Shelly Brook; 8 miles of trails; Charlotte Creek; Hemlock Swamp; river bottom flood plain; prehistoric human occupation sites; and forests, meadows, and marshes. PLEC is located within easy access of Oneonta, Cooperstown, and I-88.

A Living/Learning Community

Pine Lake provides students, faculty, staff, and friends with unique opportunities to study, live, work, play, dream, and explore. During the academic year, up to 35 Hartwick students live and learn together in a unique residential community. Cabins, the Lodge, and facilities can be rented during the summer. PLEC offers:

- the 8-bedroom Robertson Lodge, complete with a 10-kilowatt photovoltaic system that reduces electricity purchases by 40%;
- ten 2-4 bedroom self-contained cabins as a residential alternative to main campus;
- opportunities for hands-on research, study, and self-discovery;
- the Charley Brooks stage and amphitheatre for music, plays, and productions;
- a ropes course with high and low elements as part of Challenge Education/Awakening programs;
- retreat and meeting spaces in the Vaudevillian, Lakeside Classroom, Pavilion, and Strawbale House;
- a living laboratory that teaches the College and community how humans can demonstrate environmentally responsible stewardship.



Community Partnerships

Your contribution allows Hartwick College and the Pine Lake Institute to continue to build strong relationships with the regional community. Activities include hosting internationally and regionally respected scholars, scientists, musicians, artists, and others interested in sharing their knowledge, passion, and creativity.

Community programs include:

- the Pine Lake Partnership with Oneonta public schools
- energy conservation initiatives with the city of Oneonta
- *Conversations at the Lake* sustainability discussion series
- research and education initiatives with Riddell State Park
- *Pine Lake Concert Series*

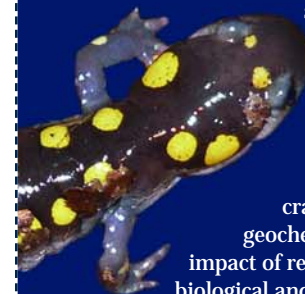


Center for Sustainable Living

Hartwick College is committed to the ideas and practices of sustainable living and learning. The Pine Lake Institute for Environmental and Sustainable Studies (PLI), through its Center for Sustainable Living, provides campus and community leadership on the practices of environmental stewardship. The Institute hosts classes, lectures, workshops, and conferences on sustainability and implements sustainable practices on campus and at Pine Lake. PLI initiatives include energy conservation campaigns, recycling and composting projects, and organic gardening and permaculture programs. Pine Lake is a partner with the U.S. EPA Green Power Program.

Smith Environmental Field Station

The Robert R. Smith Environmental Field Station provides Hartwick College with a base of operations for field research and teaching. More than 12 academic courses use the field station during the academic year. During the summer, the field station hosts faculty and student researchers as well as



field-based courses. Faculty and students engage in critically important research on amphibian development, ecology and conservation, the spread and impact of invasive crayfish on native species, the biogeochemistry of Pine Lake, and the impact of recreational use of public lands on biological and ecological diversity. To date, more than 650 species of plants and animals have been documented at Pine Lake.