



**Community Foundations Retreat  
April 28, 2006, 8:30 am-4:30pm**

*Hosted by the Finger Lakes Institute, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva NY*

**Agenda**

8:30 am	Continental Breakfast/Registration	Share your projects and information. Visit literature table
9:00 am	<b>Welcome and Overview</b>	Liz Wilder, Grantmakers Forum of New York
9:05 am	<b>Plenary</b> Finger Lakes Institute Hobart and William Smith Colleges	Hear about research and policy affecting all NYS geographies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental Estrogens and Personal Care Products in the Finger Lakes</li> <li>• Middle School Learning Environments: Applications of science in real settings</li> <li>• Alternative Energy: Perspectives for local communities</li> </ul>
10:15 am	Break	
10:30 am	<b>Plenary</b> "On The Brink of New Promise" <i>Review report at <a href="http://www.communityphilanthropy.org">www.communityphilanthropy.org</a></i>	Jennifer Leonard, President, Rochester Area Community Foundation
	Getting Your Arms Around "On The Brink of New Promise" The Futuring Toolkit: Group Exercises	Donnell Mersereau, Director, Community Foundations Council of Michigan Foundations
Noon	<b>Lunch</b>	Share with your colleagues
1:45 pm	Issue Roundtables: <i>(Join conversations at one or many)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Relationships with Professional Advisors</li> <li>• Managing the Donor-Advised Funds Surge</li> <li>• NYS Rules and Regulations</li> <li>• Economic Development—Should We Or Shouldn't We?</li> </ul>
2:45 pm	Issue Roundtables: <i>(Join conversations at one or many)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Donor-Advised Funds and the Patriot Act</li> <li>• Private Foundation Conversions</li> <li>• Serving Geographies With Diverse Constituencies</li> <li>• Community Needs Assessments</li> </ul>
3:45 pm	<b>Plenary</b> The Future of Community Foundations: Models of other states, Models for New York State	Donnell Mersereau
4:30 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	
5:00pm	<i>Optional: Unwind while learning about student waterways research aboard the Finger Lakes Institute research vessel, Scandling</i>	

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