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Land Conservancy and Bolton Landing Celebrate the New Center for Conservation

Macionis Family Center for Conservation welcomes visitors.

Bolton Landing, New York – The Lake George Land Conservancy (LGLC) celebrated the Grand Opening of its new office building, the Macionis Family Center for Conservation, on Saturday, July 28th, 2007, as part of a town-wide Community Day and Bolton Land and Water Festival. The Center is located at 4905 Lake Shore Drive, at the site of the former Tavern on the Pond in Bolton Landing.

Named in honor of the Macionis family's outstanding contributions, the Center hosted several hundred guests, including invited speakers Congresswoman Kirsten Gillibrand, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Region 5 director Betsy Lowe and Bolton Supervisor Zandy Gabriels. The event opened with the LGLC's annual meeting, followed by the building's ribbon-cutting ceremony with remarks by Lowe and Gabriels.

The day continued with a presentation by Gillibrand at noon, followed by a series of educational presentations and workshops, a "Taste of Bolton" event and a kayak raffle. In addition, the LGLC unveiled its Preservation Patio, a path and patio made up of engraved bricks. The celebration was made possible by the cooperation of the Town of Bolton and its store and restaurant owners as well as more than twenty volunteers who assisted with ticket sales, food service, preparation and presentations.

The Center offers a special reference library of Lake George and Adirondack books from the collection of Robert F. Hall donated by Tony and Lisa Hall and Euphemia Virden Hall. The conference room is available to LGLC conservation partners as well as other non-profit organizations and community groups. The public is welcome to stop in and visit the Center for a tour, use its reference library or speak to staff about land conservation.

The Lake George Land Conservancy is a non-profit land trust that has preserved nearly 11,000 acres around the Lake George watershed and 8.6 miles of Lake shoreline.

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