

### ***ATA's Michelle Doerr Attends National Conservation Leadership Institute Training***

Michelle Doerr, ATA director of archery and bowhunting programs, completed the first portion of her National Conservation Leadership Institute (NCLI) fellowship by attending an intensive training course at the National Conservation Training Center in Shepardstown, West Virginia November 2-13. "I didn't expect the experience to be so amazing," Doerr said. "The instructors were extremely engaging, the work was challenging and the staff members were outstanding." During the ten-day session, Doerr learned about the principles and importance of adaptive leadership and its challenges. The course also covered team building, conflict management and use of storytelling, among other topics. "I only hope I have the ability to incorporate a small portion of what I learned during my ten-day training into my day to day work and future program planning," Doerr stated. "With the help of my close-knit peer group and the other 30+ fellows and staff of the Institute, I believe we will be able to make a difference in conservation leadership for the future." Doerr will be working with her peer group on adaptive leadership projects over the next five months. The group will reconvene for a final three-day training in April 2008. For more information on NCLI, visit [www.conservationleadership.org](http://www.conservationleadership.org).



Michelle Doerr, ATA director of archery and bowhunting programs, is pictured with Hugh O'Doherty of Cambridge Leadership Associates. Doerr is an NCLI fellow and participated in the recent ten-day NCLI training course where O'Doherty was the principle instructor.