A.

To fulfill our community engagement mission, the PPC hosted lectures, workshops, symposiums, and a film screening. Tamara Keith of National Public Radio participated in a dialogue about “The Future of US Politics: Looking Ahead to 2020,” on the stage of the Englert Theatre, along with Chris Buskirk of *American Greatness*, and Melissa Ryan of *Ctrl Alt-Right Delete*. We co-sponsored several events with other campus colleagues, including lectures by Cokie Roberts (College of Law) and US Senator (NE) Ben Sasse (UI Lecture Committee), the Provost’s Global Forum – “Why School? International Perspectives on Education and Social Transformation,” the ISRC’s Data Science Institute, and an open forum, “A House Divided: What’s Wrong with Our Politics?” with Kirkwood Community College.

2018-19 was also the PPC’s 30th anniversary year. In celebration, we hosted “Visualizing Equitable and Sustainable Communities in Iowa,” which highlighted the work of our various research programs in a fun, fast-paced, “3-minute thesis” format, along with poster presentations.

It is exciting to think…

B.

… included racial disparities in criminal justice processing, preventing violence in schools, incentivizing healthy behaviors, K-12 school climate studies, integration of oral health and primary care, agricultural land-use impacts, the dental workforce, mental health outcomes in community health centers, efficacy of state-funded teen pregnancy prevention programs, Opioid risks in rural communities, income inequality, education policy and taxation, and health care reform.

C.

The PPC hosted 56 events, including eight Forkenbrock Series events and 48 co-sponsored events with other University of Iowa and community partners, including the City of Iowa City, Kirkwood Community College, the UI Lecture Committee, UI veterans, Iowa Public Radio (IPR), The League of Women Voters of Johnson County and several other UI departments and centers. Highlights of the year included:

* *Big Ideas Series* – town/gown forums on topics including poverty, health risks, work and wages, and education policy
* *The Future of Politics: Looking Ahead to 2020* – Tamara Keith of National Public Radio, Chris Buskirk of American Greatness, and Melissa Ryan of Ctrl Alt-Right Delete, engaged in a conversation about politics, moderated by Ben Kieffer of IPR
* *Visualizing Equitable and Sustainable Communities in Iowa* – a community gathering to share and talk about the research happening at the PPC around many topics related to equity and sustainability

D.

… and the Green Room events, to engage students with national speakers to assist with career development and connections to the community.