## **Game Farm Road Board**



Mark Sengenberger. Mark is a NYS licensed Landscape Architect with extensive design, transportation and environmental experience. A project designer for 10 years with the NYS Office of General Services, he's conducted field investigations and prepared designs and contract documents for capital projects for various state agencies. As Senior Landscape Architect with the NYS Department of Transportation, he reviewed and prepared evaluations of environmental impact statements, prepared inter-agency agreements with environmental/regulatory agencies, and developed statewide policies, guidelines and training materials. He served as a lead expert on pedestrian, bicyclist and handicapped accessibility concerns and landscape development. In his position as an Environmental Specialist, he was a lead expert on wetlands, surface water bodies, storm water management, erosion and sediment control, and coastal area management. Mark also served for more than 10 years with the NYS Adirondack Park Agency where he administered the permit program under the Park's three million acre private land use and development plan and served as the Interim Executive Director. Mark is a graduate of SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry at Syracuse and the Class of '69 at Guilderland. Nowadays, Mark spends time with his wife Heidi organic gardening and bird watching on their Berne property and enjoying frequent visits with their children and grandchildren.



Charles Burgess. A lifelong resident of the Helderbergs, Charles is an archaeologist by training. Now Land Steward for the Open Space Institute of Northern New York, Charles oversees management of several thousand acres of land, including working forests, farmland, nature preserves, and historic sites. He holds an AS in Wilderness Recreation Leadership from North Country Community College, a BA in Anthropology & Linguistics from SUNY Albany, and an MA in Archaeology from Cornell University. His research work seeks to understand ancient conceptions of--and relationships to--place, with an emphasis on the Mohican of the Hudson Valley, the Haudensaunee of the Mohawk Valley and Finger Lakes, and the Celtic peoples of bronze- and iron-age Ireland. A poet and musician, Charles and his band Black Mountain Symphony can be found touring across the Northeast all year. Charles and his wife Annie reside in Rensselaerville, where Charles serves as Chair of the Rensselaerville Historic District Association.



Mark Hohengasser. Originally from Western

Massachusetts, Mark holds a degree in Landscape Architecture from UMass. For the past 17 years, he's worked as a park planner/landscape architect developing master plans and designing a wide variety of park facilities in both Missouri and New York State. He is now a park planner for New York State Parks, and is involved in many projects for them: Minnewaska, Green Lakes, Sunken Meadow, Wellesley Island, Rockland Lake, Hook Mountain, Selkirk Shores, Riddell and Sterling Forest State Parks among others. An avid recreationalist, Mark participates in hiking, cycling, kayaking, snowboarding, snowmobiling, and nature photography. He served as a representative for the International Mountain Bicycling Association while in Missouri and remains a strong trail advocate. His passion for working with local, state and federal land managers to develop sustainable trail systems, led to an instrumental role in constructing 25 miles of high quality multiuse trails in Missouri, now considered among the best in the state. Mark lives in West Berne with his girlfriend Cindy, and loves the forested peace and tranguility of life in the Helderberg Mountains.



Lee Jones. Lee has been a seasonal resident of Warner's and Thompson's Lake all his life, where his family goes back two generations. He is retired after spending 30 years in banking as VP of three local banks, four years as Albany County Purchasing Agent, and twelve years as Director of Information Technology for the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services. He is a past president of the Warner's Lake Improvement Association and now serves as its treasurer. He lives with his wife Vivian, a retired teaching assistant at Altamont Elementary School, in Guilderland. They spend their summers full-time on Dyer Road at Warner's Lake.



**Frank Kunker**. Frank Kunker, known by his friends as Ted, graduated from Shaker High School and went to Bryant University, graduating in 1978 with a BSBA in Management and a Minor in Economics. He became a registered representative in the financial industry after graduation and has worked in that field in the Albany area ever since. He is a managing partner of Empire Financial Associates LLC, established in 2011. Ted and his wife Colleen raised their two boys, Frank and Ryan, in Clifton Park. While in Clifton Park, Ted was active within the community and was on the Board of the Water Authority, and helped coach soccer for youth, travel, and premier teams. In 2007, Ted & Colleen moved to Gifford Hollow Road in Berne to enjoy a more relaxed country life style.



**Richard Ronconi**. Richard and his wife Mary Ann have lived in the Town of Berne for 46 years. They operate Partridge Run Farm and Apiary on West Mountain. Rich moved to Berne in 1969 taking a job as a Spanish teacher with Greenville Central Schools. After earning a counseling degree from SUNY Albany, he moved into Greenville's Guidance Department. A well-known beekeeper and past president of the Catskill Mountain Beekeepers, he regularly gives workshops in beekeeping at Cornell Cooperative Extension, the Albany Public Library, Berne and Rensselaerville Libraries, Greenville Schools and other organizations in the Greene/Albany County area. He enjoys cross-country skiing and bicycling, and is deeply interested in preserving the natural resources on his West Mountain Farm.