Skaneateles Conservation Area https://skaak.org/ has 3 geographically separate municipal conservation areas.

- 1. The Skaneateles Conservation Area, including the Federal Farm, Guppy Farm, and other Gully Road parcels, located on Old Seneca Turnpike (surrounding the Town of Skaneateles transfer station) and on both sides of Gully Road, in the northeastern part of the town, contains about 300 acres of land, much of it wooded, a fishing pond, a beaver pond, wetlands, waterfall, observation decks, pavilion, picnic tables, and lean-to for camping (by permission only).
- 2. The Mabel M. Reynolds Nature Preserve, on both sides of Benson Road, at Reynolds Road, in the southwest part of the town contains about 123 acres of woodland.
- 3. The Dunning tract, behind Grace Chapel on the south side of US Rt. 20 at its intersection with NY Rt. 175 (Lee Mulroy Rd.), contains about 90 acres of land, about one third of it wooded. Most of the wooded portion is also a wetland. The remaining fields are leased for agricultural purposes. It no longer has road frontage, so access is through the Grace Chapel parking lot.

<u>Finger Lakes Land Trust https://www.fllt.org/</u> To conserve forever the lands and waters of the Finger Lakes region, ensuring scenic vistas, clean water, local foods, and wild places for everyone.

<u>Central NY Land Trust https://www.cnylandtrust.org/</u> The Central New York Land Trust seeks to preserve and protect natural areas in order to provide our communities clean water, clean air, wildlife habitat, and a chance to connect with the land.

Skaneateles Lake Association https://skaneateleslake.org/

In order to ensure the integrity of the lake and its watershed for generations to come, our goals are to:

- Educate residents, government agencies and others using the lake about threats to the lake and its watershed.
- Take all action necessary to protect and improve the water quality of Skaneateles Lake and to protect and improve its watershed.
- Promote environmentally and aesthetically sound regional management of Skaneateles Lake and its watershed by encouraging cooperation among the Skaneateles Lake watershed municipalities.
- Engage in activities appropriate to further the mission of the corporation including public education, community organizing, fund-raising, publicity, working with village, town, county, state and federal officials.

Janice Wiles is a local contact.

Habitat Gardening https://www.hgcny.org/ has plant lists and events. Janet Allen contact Citizen Scientist opportunities https://www.hgcny.org/comm-sci/plants/

We occasionally can negotiate reduced prices for events for Club members. I will keep you informed of local events you may find interesting.

Gail

Conservation Chair