Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Message from Our President:

Thanks to everyone who helped make our second Alternative Energy Festival a success. It was a smaller festival than some we run, but we had a good turnout. Most alternative energy vendors are pretty busy people these days, and getting them to commit a Sunday to our festival wasn't easy. A couple of them told me that Sunday is the only day they get to spend with their families. The word is spreading!

We have a bit of a problem at the clubhouse. The attendance at our monthly potluck supper meetings has grown over the last few months. With the growth in attendance has come a growth in the volume of refuse, recyclables, and compost left behind after the meetings. Our members and guests are pretty good about sorting the stuff into separate barrels, but not so great about taking it away.

I'm going to ask the cooperation of everyone who attends our potlucks in dealing with this problem.

- 1. Reduce....Bring your own reusable dishes, utensils and cups. Enjoy the potluck, then take your stuff home to wash and use again.
- 2. Reuse...Take home the serving dish you brought your food in, and use it again next month.
- 3. Recycle....This takes a little more work. We have to sort our waste into compostables (food waste and compostable utensils and dishes,) co-mingled recyclables (plastic, glass and metal containers,) and "trash" (mostly paper and soiled cardboard packaging.) If we think ahead, there shouldn't be much in this last category.
- 4. Carry it out... We have no regular trash pickup service at the clubhouse. We depend on members to take a sack home with them, and dispose of it with their regular household trash.

Of course, if you compost stuff for your garden, you might want to add some BSC "raw material" to your next-year's veggie crop. Otherwise, you can add the BSC stuff to the appropriate container on pick-up day.

The Pumpkin Festival is coming up on the 19th of October. We need more volunteers to help make this fall event a big success. If you haven't already signed up to help, please call Rosemary Thomas, Pumpkin Festival Coordinator, at 845-463-4660. Join the crew!

See you at the river! Saul

Inside this issue:

The Alternate Energy Festival, our intrepid crew at Spirit of Beacon Day, Pumpkin prep, and much more.....



Pete Seeger's modified electric truck on display at the Alternate Energy Festival

NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS TUESDAY, October 28th, 7:30 p.m.
NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, November 7th, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30

BSC Membership Form

Name	Street Address					
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Amount Enclosed \$	Renewal New Member					
Are you a Clearwater member? Would you like information regarding a Clearwater membership?						
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Mail to: Beacon Sloop Club P.O. Box 527 Beacon, NY 12508

The **Beacon Sloop Club Broadside** is the official monthly newsletter of the **Beacon Sloop Club, Inc.**

The Beacon Sloop Club, Inc. is a non-profit, volunteer environmental education/action and sailing organization dedicated to cleaning up the Hudson River and its environs. Our main focus is the Beacon, Fishkill and Newburgh area.

Members meet the first Friday of every month at the **Sloop Club Building** located just across from the Beacon train station. Look for the building with the Norway spruce tree growing out of the roof! A potluck dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; bring a covered dish to share and your own place setting. The general meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and lasts about an hour or so. The meeting is followed by a sing-along.

The Beacon Sloop Club and newsletter are accessible from the web: www.beaconsloopclub.org.

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Please submit articles for the Beacon Sloop Club Broadside by the 1st Monday after the Friday general meeting each month (early submissions are much appreciated)

to acthoma@yahoo.com

Input requiring scanning must be in 1 week in advance to Alan Thomas PO Box 430, Hughsonville, NY 12537

Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting Minutes, October 3, 2008

The General Meeting was preceded by a pot luck supper, conversation with friends, music and all around good cheer. There is nothing like music to bring people together for a common purpose. In fact this is what we do. We educate people through the use of music and though the experience of sailing on the Hudson in the Woody Guthrie. This year over 1000 people have sailed on the Woody. Kudos to our Captains and their crews. This evening's music was highlighted by a three boys from the Bruderhoff Community singing about sailing on the Clearwater.

The meeting was then opened by President Saul Rozinsky, who recognized new members, visitors and the presence of one of our past presidents. Saul also expressed gratitude to all who helped make the Alternative Energy Festival a success and also to those who helped with the Clearwater Annual Meeting.

Treasurer's report: Jim Finnigan

We made approximately \$1500 on the Energy Festival. We also received donations of \$2200 from the Country Joe MacDonald save the woody festival, \$200 from Sukhothai Restaurant, \$410 donation from the Oak Grove Grange, and \$200 from the Constitution Island Association. We also made our annual donation to Clearwater in the Amount of \$1000. Current balance is now \$41,000. However we have some major expenses coming up, including \$11,000 for insurance and more repairs on the Woody.

Woody Report: Jim Birmingham

The woody has a serious leak around the center board trunk. Temporary solutions have been used to keep the woody afloat until the end of the sailing season. At that time the Woody will be taken out of the water and repairs will be made.

Alternate Energy Festival: Saul Rozinsky

We did not have as many exhibitors as usual because most of them are now very busy. But the ones we had were very good and provided people with a lot of information, such as doing a thermal analysis to detect heat loss from your home, insulation, calking and weather stripping, double pane windows, and alternative energy such as solar, geothermal and wind turbines. People came not just to enjoy the music and food but to ask questions as to what they could do to reduce their energy footprint. People want more of this. Energy use has become personal.

Pumpkin Festival: Rosemary Thomas

Scheduled for October 19, 2008 Pumpkin pies will be baked the day before in the kitchen at the University Settlement. We need volunteers. We will also need volunteers to help set up and take down the tents and chairs. The hat was passed to raise money to pay for renting the kitchen. A total of \$122 was raised. Many thanks for the generosity of our members and guests.

Building Committee: Claudine Craig

A general clean up was held on Saturday. Many thanks to those who participated and special thinks to those overcame the "eau de poo" and emptied the Multrum. A candlelight committee chairs thank you luncheon is scheduled for Saturday October 11. Call if you can help or wish to attend.

Announcements

Oct 11th the Mental Health Association will be sponsoring a Musical (Doo Wop to Latino) 9am to 5 pm at Ball memorial Park in Montgomery, NY. Call Lydia Adams Davis for more information at 845-534-4543 9 or 914-805-2537 or email at LydiaAdamsDavis.com

Indigenous Native Protest of Global Warming

Some of the native tribes of the North are suing for loss of their shore, their land, and the ice due to global warming as it affects their ability to live and hunt and survive. They tried to shut down an old coal fired power plant in England and six of them were arrested and charged with serious crimes. Their defense was that they were protecting land of great value. James Hansen director of NASA's Environmental program testified on their behalf. They were acquitted of all charges.

These people are ahead of us because they live in intimate relationship with the land Unlike Americans who have distanced themselves from the natural environment.

Everyone should read Tom Blees <u>Prescription for the Planet</u>, which catalogues the major problems people and the planet face, and puts them in their historical context. He also sets out realistic, though rarely simple or swift, solutions for the 1990s.

Walkabout Clearwater will be holding a gathering October 11, hosted by the United Methodist Church in White Plains featuring Sharon Katz & The Peace Train.

Respectfully submitted,

David Eberle Secretary

400 years ago this month

By October 1608 the Native American population was well established in the Mid-Hudson Valley. Shell mounds at Croton and Denning's points have been dated to between 4000 and 6000 BC. There are estimates that as many as 12,000 people lived in the valley between Albany and the sea at the time of first contact. Although there may have been visits by a few individual traders and coastal vessels, it is generally agreed that the majority of inhabitants were unaware of Europeans and untouched by European culture.

The Native Americans were distributed in small villages occupied by individual tribes or clans primarily Mahican and Lenni Lanapes in affiliation.

Their houses were made by bending hickory saplings and covering them with bark. They lived by hunting, fishing, and the farming of maize and beans. According to one Dutch writer they hunted for "deer, fawns,"



hares, and foxes, and all such...the country is full of game; hogs, bears, leopards, yea, lions..."

November 8-9: Newburgh Public Tours.

The *Half Moon* will open for public tours on Saturday and Sunday in Newburgh, NY. Hours are 10 AM to 4 PM. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children above the age of twelve, and free for children twelve and younger. Area volunteers are invited to join us as docents.

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 23, 2008

Saul Rozinsky called the meeting to order.

Treasurer's Report

Alternate Energy Festival made approximately \$100. Several donations were received

Past Business

Alarm system has been checked and is functioning. There was no publicity in the papers about the Alternate Energy Festival, This will be reevaluated.

Woody is still leaking. We have received two bids, a low bid which does not included anything unsuspected and a high bid which does and is a worst case bid. The Boat Committee is getting a third bid

An application has been made for a grant of \$15,000 from the Hudson River Improvement Fund.

Still under Discussion

Who should be accepted as vendors? How will selection be made? A committee (Kevin, David, Justin, and Jane) will review and come up with an operating plan.

Health code restrictions may require pumpkin pies be prepared in commercial kitchen or on site.

Upcoming events

Spirit of Beacon Day; Kevin Hayden will set up and man a table.

Clearwater Annual Meeting; they have requested the use of our tents. Set up will be 8 Am Saturday September 27th. A motion was made and approved to donate \$1000 to Clearwater at the meeting.

A date for the 2009 Strawberry Festival was set for June 14, 2009.

Sincerely David Eberle Secretary

Clearwater Annual Meeting and Spirit of Beacon Day

Thank you to all who helped to make the day a big success in of spite the heavy rain. The spirit of the club shone through as usual.

Sloop Club volunteers set-up tents, brought food, marched in the parade, distributed literature, participated in the meetings, took out passengers, etc, etc.

Thanks also to the few hardy passengers who braved the elements for a chance to sail on the Woody.



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Country Joe McDonald Concert at the Piggy Bank raises much needed funds for Woody repairs

Country Joe regaled the crowd with wry stories and sang songs, and Pete chimed in. And lots of people came out to support the Woody restoration.

Hats off to long time member and Beacon resident Jim Bopp and Piggy Bank restaurant owner Doug Berliner who put this together. Jim Bopp tells me the fundraiser put approximately \$2500 into the Woody funds! Jim knew Country Joe



would be passing through on his way to a gig in Great Barrington and he approached Doug who was delighted to let the Piggy Bank be a venue for the fundraiser.

Special thanks to local artists Rick Price, Erica Hawser, Tom Moore and Dan Weise who also collaborated on four Woody-inspired paintings on location that were auctioned to raise around \$500. Thanks also to Ray at Sukhothai Restaurant for his contributions and Tony DeMarco of Cellar Sound Productions who volunteered the amazing sound equipment and management. We had great support from Tom LaBarr and Tom Balding. But biggest word out to Country Joe - the man of the moment!

Wow. The hometown support for Woody was a joy to see.

-- Kevin Haydon

More information on Country Joe McDonald may be found at his website: http://www.countryjoe.com/index.html

Attention Woody Sailors!

There will be a Sailors meeting on Saturday, October 18th at 10:00 in the Sloop club where we will elect the Woody Sailors committee chairperson, Maintenance coordinator and Secretary as well as discuss this past years sailing season, plans for the off season and announce any promotions. All Woody sailors should plan to attend. Prior to the Sailors meeting there will be a Captains meeting which will start at 9:30 sharp.

100 Years ago- Tercentennial Post Card



Alternate Energy Festival



This year's alternate energy festival drew a small but very enthusiastic crowd to the Beacon waterfront to learn about renewable energy, river life, and environmental issues, while enjoying good food and music.

Our great volunteers sold apple

fritters, chili, t-shirts and hats, staffed the membership and education tents, and kept the festival flowing smoothly. This year we featured a new item, filtered City of Beacon water in bio-degradable cups at the nominal

price of twenty-five cents for the cup. While this may have reduced our profits, we kept hundreds of plastic bottles out of the waste stream.



In spite of having the smallest festival crowd of the season we sold five gallons of chili, did a steady fritter business, and signed up many new members.

The Woody crews had a busy day, taking out more than seventy guests for a free educational sail. They kept going well after the official end of the festival, treating the final group to a



beautiful Hudson River sunset. Everyone that I spoke with had great things to say about the Woody and the

club. I hope to see some of our new members at the meetings.





BSC TREASURER'S preliminary REPORT Alt.NRG Festival 10/03/2008

Submitted by Jim Finnigan						
				Merchandise		
BSC General Fund	Amount	Donations	Memberships	sales & costs		
09/15/08 - Withdrawl - Alt.NRG Festival - startup change -	(\$50.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
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09/22/08 - Deposit - startup change - apple fritters - not needed - Ron Bel supplied his own startup change	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Deposit - apple fritter sales c/o Ron Bel	\$138.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Deposit - chili sales c/o Alan & Rosemary Thomas	\$196.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
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09/22/08 - Deposit - donations from Magic Hat jar	\$37.00	\$37.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Deposit - membership	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Deposit - Donation from film crew on Woody sail	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/30/08 - Check - Saul Rozinsky - Drinking water filter	(\$45.21)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
10/03/08 - Deposit - Sale of compostable water cups	\$26.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
10/03/08 - Deposit - Alt.NRG Festival vendor fee	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
10/02/08 - Check - Alan Thomas - cost of chili ingredients	(\$32.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
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10/03/08 - Deposit - income from selling T-shirts & hats	\$285.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$285.00		
10/03/08 - Deposit - income from selling DVD's	\$22.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.50		
10/03/08 - Deposit - Donation from Oak Grove Grange	\$410.00	\$410.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
10/03/08 - Deposit - Donation	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
10/03/08 - Deposit - Membership collected at Alt.NRG	\$560.00	\$0.00	\$560.00	\$0.00		
Festival						
Total Festival Income & (Expenses) - reported on October	\$1,732.79	\$557.00	\$585.00	\$307.50		
2008 Financial Report 08/18/08 - Deposit - Festivals - Vendor fees - Renewable	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Energy Fest - Previously Reported on Sept 2008 Financial	φ30.00	φ0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Report						
09/22/08 - Transaction Expected - cost of porta-potties	(\$205.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Transaction Expected - cost of dumpster	(\$280.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
09/22/08 - Transaction Expected - income from vendor fees	\$210.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
TOTAL	\$1,507.79	\$557.00	\$585.00	\$307.50		
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The Pumpkin Festival needs you!

Sunday October 19th

Thank you to all have signed up! Additional Volunteers are still needed for set-up, selling food, baking pies, clean-up, etc.

We will be making pies at the University Settlement Camp on Saturday October 18th.

Help get the word out: Tell your friends, distribute posters. Let's make our last festival of the year the best!

Contact: Rosemary Thomas 845-463-4660,

Email: rmthomas99@yahoo.com

The Hudson River Fish Advisory Outreach project is a multi-year initiative of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH). The goal of the project is for all anglers and others who eat fish from the Hudson River to know about and follow the New York State fish advisories.

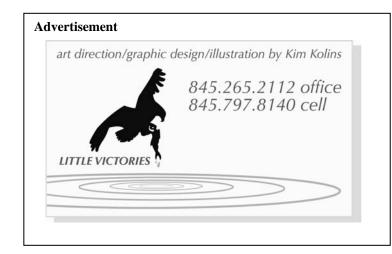
Hudson River Fish Advisory Outreach Project Community partner meetings are scheduled for:

Albany - Thursday, October 16 2 - 4 PM
Newburgh - Thursday, October 23 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Poughkeepsie - Thursday, October 23 2 - 4 PM
Pomona - Thursday, October 30 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Yonkers - Thursday, October 30 2 - 4 PM:

http://www.health.state.ny.us/environmental/outdoors/fish/hudson_river/advisory outreach project/



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Submitted by Jim Finnigan								
BSC General Fund	Amount	Membership	Donations	Woody	Harbor	Merchandise sales	Building	Festivals
09/08/08 - Deposit - Sukhothai Restaurant - donation from food sales at Country Joe MacDonald's Save The Woody fundraiser	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/08/08 - Deposit - Winter Sail Class - fees	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/08/08 - Deposit - donation from Vince Rubeo	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$10.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/08/08 - Deposit - donation left in multrum	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Check - Royal Carting Service - Dumpster for Corn Festival	(\$284.63)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$284.63)
09/15/08 - Check - White's Marina - emergency hauling of Woody, plus supplies	(\$428.84)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$428.84)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Check - Chris Ancliffe - Woody - lock, keys and cable for	(\$87.59)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$87.59)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Check - Safeco - Alarm maintenance & monitoring	(\$105.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$52.50)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$52.50)	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Check - Safeco - Install alarm on new dingy	(\$295.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$295.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Deposit - Donation - matching grant from Gannett	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/15/08 - Deposit - Donation to Woody from the Constitution Island Association with thanks for participation in festival	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
10/03/08 - Profit - Alternative Energy Festival	\$1,732.79	\$585.00	\$557.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$307.50	\$0.00	\$283.29
09/22/08 - Check - Kevin Haydon - 2 photocopies from Mystic Seaport of Sy Hamlin's blueprints for the Woody	(\$250.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$250.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/22/08 - Check - Cory McConniel - Harbor - Mooring tender chain	(\$189.99)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$189.99)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/30/08 - Check - Annual Donation to Clearwater	(\$1,000.00)	\$0.00	(\$1,000.00)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
09/30/08 - Check - Saul Rozinsky - Multrum expenses	(\$8.64)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	(\$8.64)	\$0.00
Total Monthly Income & (Expenses)	\$1,044.10	\$585.00	(\$382.00)	\$786.07	(\$189.99)	\$307.50	(\$61.14)	(\$1.34)
OPENING BALANCE 09/06/08	\$39,680.09							
Closing Balance	\$40,724.19							



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Editor's Note:

The amount of input that I receive varies considerably from month to month. Sometimes I struggle to fit everything into the eight pages the budget allows and other times I have only filled six. When things fall in between I need to scramble to find additional small items of interest to even out the pages.

If anyone has something of interest to the readership that pertains to our mission, wants to draw a cartoon, etc., that I could place on an as needed basis let me know. It would be nice to add a little humor now and then. As always if not original we need to respect copyrights and give proper attribution.

Current Calendar

Executive Committee meeting, Tuesday, October 28th, 7:30 p.m.

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting November 7th – potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m.



Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-4 p.m., at the Beacon waterfront

Committee Chairs Lunch, Saturday, October 11th, 12:30 p.m. BSC



Woody Captains Meeting, Saturday, October 18th, 9:30 a.m. BSC

Woody Sailors Meeting, Saturday, October 18th, 10:00 a.m. BSC



Weeknight Sails on The Woody Guthrie, 6:00 p.m . BSC clubhouse For reservations call 297-7697

Woody Work Parties:, Contact a Captain or Gigi Fris to complete specific tasks.





Pumpkin Festival: Sunday October, 19th, Beacon Waterfront, Noon-5:00 p.m.

Festival prep, Pie Making: Saurday, October 18th

Former University Settlement Camp 724 Wolcott Ave (NYS Route 9D) Beacon,

Half Moon Public Tours: Sat., Sun, November 8-9 Newburg, 10:00 am- 4:00 p.m.

Vigil for Peace every Saturday from 12-2 p.m. at the intersection of Rts. 9 and 9D opposite Staples and at the corner of the South Hills Mall.