

Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 46 Years

A Message from Our President

The ice is on the river, the wood stove is aglow, the fish are all tucked way down deep in their winter world below. February is our quiet month, but it's humming away with plans for the new year.

Coming up on March 16, our annual *Woody* Dinner will again be at the Chateau on the Hudson with the wonderful Judith Tulloch Band performing. Be sure to mark your calendar and reserve now - last year's sold out!

Our ever popular Winter Lecture series is up and running with a great line up. Dates are all set for our 2019 festivals and events. This is a good time to think about which ones you'd like to help out with this year, and ask questions.

Winter maintenance is well underway on the *Woody* - despite the freezing weather, a stalwart crew turned out last Saturday to work on important projects. Keep your eyes peeled this spring for elegantly restored fo'c's'le, bench and motor hatch covers!

Inspired by Tim Guinee's Climate Change lecture, we have resolved to further reduce our carbon footprint by switching to renewable energy. We are currently exploring several sustainable options including solar, wind and hydroelectric. Now, more than ever, is a critical time for us all to take measurable action to protect the planet we call home.

February's big news: our beloved Bashabout is home! The Bashabout is the Sloop Club's answer to the Walkabout Clearwater, a detailed scale model of the *Woody Guthrie*, painstakingly crafted by inmates at Fishkill Correctional and presented to Pete in the late 1980's. Like the Walkabout, the Bashabout comes to festivals and events, so folks who don't get a chance to go out on the *Woody* are still able to connect with the boat, and learn about the sailing component of our mission. We call it the Bashabout because, well, we've never been very good at protecting it from mishap during its

many adventures over the years, so inevitably it requires periodic restoration, not unlike the mother ship. Beautifully restored by our new friend, master craftsman and accomplished hardanger fiddler, Tor Heskestad, it was presented to us by Tor himself at the February meeting, complete with tiny little jib hanks, new taffrail, stanchions, ratlines and brand new sails that can be lowered for bash-free transport. Make sure to visit the Bashabout at the next meeting and say thank you to Tor!

Martin Luther King Day events have been rescheduled to February 16. Come join us in celebrating the legacy of our great peacemaker with our friends in the Beacon community at the Springfield Baptist Church.

See you there!

Susan

Inside this issue:

Winter shop work, Climate Reality at the clubhouse, events, and much more.....



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING Tuesday, Feb. 19, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING FRIDAY, March 1, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

Name _____ Street Address _____

City _____ State ____ ZIP _____ - _____ Phone _____ - _____ - _____ Email _____

Membership donation \$ _____ Renewal ____ New Member ____ Save Our Sloop Fund donation \$ _____

Membership suggested donation \$25.00. Minimum of \$10.00. Please give more if you can afford it!
If you can't afford the minimum, the fee may be waived.

Newsletter format (check one): Printed E-mail Please consider e-mail it saves money and paper.

Additional Members at this address _____ Email _____

_____ Email _____

Would you like information on Clearwater Membership? I would like to help with _____

Mail to: Beacon Sloop Club P.O. Box 527 Beacon, NY 12508

Link to Online Renewal: <http://beaconsloop.org/Join.html>

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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Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, February 1, 2019, recorded by Gail Moran

The meeting opened with the song 'Ground Hog Days Blues', an original by Ken Miller.

Ralph Szur's friend, Tor, showed off his Hardanger Violin and then played a Norwegian song called Rhinelander on it. He is also the person who restored the 'Bashabout' model of the Woody. He said he had to find the right sails, stitch the luff on the sails, which took 4 hours, put on a new taft rail, redo the ratlins and some other things. The mast now comes down for travel. It should now be called the 'Don't Bashabout' because it is so nice.

Susan welcomed the brave intrepid souls who attended this meeting on this cold, cold night. Thank you to James and Tom for starting the fire and to Ken for stuffing cloths in the opening around tree.

She reminded all that this is a carry in/carry out facility.

Treasury Report for the month of December

Opening Balance: \$65,137 Closing Balance: \$67,518.
Bonnie and Saul Rozinsky Fund has \$10,129.
The complete report is elsewhere in newsletter.

MLK Parade

It was postponed due to the polar vortex but has been rescheduled to Saturday, February 16 with the same schedule as previously. 9:15 parade line up.
Essay contest – 7 best were selected and selections of them will be read at the MLK program at the Church.

Woody Dinner

Saturday, March 16 at Breakneck Lodge on Route 9 D south of the tunnel. 5-10 PM like last year. Live music, silent auction and raffle. Come out and support the Woody. \$60 each. Reserve in advance. The deadline is at the next GMM. Every captain will be there and it doesn't conflict with 'Women's Work'

Lecture Series

-The next one is Friday, February 22 at the Red Barn so we can use their Skype. The program is from the Shanty Barge project and is stories of people living on, working on or making a living on rivers.
-March will be a historic talk of the evolution of the Hudson Valley from feudal manors to present day.
-Two events in April include
Thursday, April 18th – Fishkill Depot Restoration – the supply depot for Washington's army in the Revolutionary War, and
Monday, April 15th –Will Kaufman, a foremost Woody Guthrie expert from London will present some research on the history of Woody Guthrie, including his battle with Trump's father. It is mostly a talk but will include some singing and a book signing.

Woody Report

There is another work party this weekend, on Sunday rather than Saturday because it will be warmer.
Steve brought up the topic of the boats that got loose from their moorings recently and got stuck under bridges and said 2 years ago, we had considered mooring in Kingston, where this could have happened too. Choosing to stay in Haverstraw was a good decision. The boat is staying in good shape down there.
He encouraged people to come and get friendly with the boat.

Sail Classes

The sail classes will be weekly from April 10 to May 29. It's a way to get theoretical underpinnings and then come sailing in the summer for hands on training. All captains are involved and knowledgeable. The class course is \$50.

Climate Action

Alan was inspired by the response to Tim Guinee of Al Gore's Climate Reality Project and would like to see the BSC start a Climate Action Committee to work on things we can do personally or as a group, such as info sharing, writing a column for the newsletter and sharing our concerns with local and Congressional representatives. As he does so much, he would like to see a new person coordinate it.

One thing the BSC is doing is switching our electricity supply to a renewable mix.

CW Site Crew Slide Show

Bob Reardon shared an interesting 15 minute slide show about the Clearwater festival and site crew.

Announcements

Antony is running for the Board of Education for Beacon and asks for Beacon residents to sign his petition.

Caitlyn's new apartment is full of mold that she is reacting to, so she is looking for a new space. Contact her at Zooheaven@Juneau.com if you know of somewhere.

Wayne Kocher said now is the time to contact representatives about Danskammer.

PSA – The movie about Teflon was eye opening. 99.9% of people have Teflon in their blood.

Aaron is also the Treasure for Beacon Arts. They have a fund raiser next week at the HV Brewery. BSC is helping to sponsor by lending chairs and tables. Dressing up is optional.

Meeting adjourned.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ submitted the following resolution;

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the duty of the Federal Government to create a Green New Deal.

This is a non-binding resolution, which calls for meeting 100 percent of the power demand in the United States through clean, renewable, and zero-emission energy sources within 10 years, along with other social and economic goals.

The full text can be found at:

<https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/573182/9/Ocasio-Cortez-Green-New-Deal-Resolution.pdf>



From Our Friends at Clearwater

We're delighted to share the good news that The Great Hudson River Revival will return in 2019! Thank for you your patience as we gear up for June 15 & 16th. Ticketing, lineup of artists, volunteer info and much more will be announced soon.

“This year, being the 50/100 celebration, is the most exciting time ever to be part of Clearwater and I intend to make the festival reflect just that” said Jason Samel, the 2019 Festival Director. “I shall never lay down Pete and Toshi’s torch, rather this year it will burn brighter than ever.”

Press Release:

<https://www.clearwater.org/latest-news/ghrr-pressrelease-29jan2019/>

For Updates:

<https://www.clearwaterfestival.org>

The Woody Report



In the House of Blue Light

Work under the tarp goes on and gives a new meaning to monochromatic photography. It’s actually quite toasty on a sunny sub-freezing day.

Our volunteers have been busy insulating bilge pumps and hoses, monitoring and replacing bulbs, repairing the tarp, oiling the deck and working on hatch and locker covers.

There are many little tasks that need to be done to make sure that the Woody stays safe and warm until spring. So, please come on out and help. Work parties are scheduled for the weekend after the general meeting.

Planning is underway for pulling her out before the season starts to inspect and paint the hull. This will require “all hands on deck” as the window will be tight. We will let you know as soon as it is scheduled.

We are hoping for an early start to the sailing season so get your gear ready and keep in touch with your captain.



Tor Heskestad demonstrating the Norwegian hardanger fiddle after presenting the club with the restored model of the Woody Guthrie. What a treat!





**6th Annual Martin Luther King Day
Singing Parade
Rescheduled for Saturday February 16, 2019**

Come join us as we celebrate the life and principles of Martin Luther King and the civil rights movement. This is a great opportunity to show our community spirit and showcase the diversity and vibrancy of the community.

The parade kicks off from the Springfield Baptist Church, 8 Maddie Cooper Square, Beacon.

Schedule of Events

- 8:30 – Free continental breakfast
- 9:15 – Opening ceremony
- 9:30 - Line up for the Parade.
- 11:00 - Program, Children’s Essay Contest.
- 12:00 - Free lunch
- 1:00 - Gospel program

So, bring your feet, your voices and instruments and join us as we honor Dr. King and our community.



The 2019 Woody Dinner

Woody Dinner is back. Everyone is invited! Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 16, and join us for the festivities at the historic Chalet on the Hudson, overlooking the river at the foot of Breakneck Mountain. Happy Hour starts at 5:00, dinner at 6:00. The wonderful Judith Tulloch band will provide music for dining and dancing. Entrées include vegetarian eggplant rollatini, salmon, chicken piccata and beef Bourgeoisie. If you've never sailed on the Woody, or if you're considering joining a crew, this is a great opportunity to meet lots of folks who will talk you out of it (just kidding). Get ready for some thumping yarns and rollicking camaraderie. Proceeds from this event are earmarked for the Woody's sailing program. Tickets are \$60. Reservations or advanced online ticket required.

Tickets may be purchased online through Brown Paper Tickets at:

<https://woodydinner2019.bpt.me/>

Please purchase or reserve by March 7th so we can get an accurate head count. Contact Susan to reserve at 845-527-8671. Seating is limited so call early.





We kicked off the 2019 Winter Lecture Series with *Climate Change, Hope and the Beacon Community* – with Tim Guinee, a presentation and discussion of the latest science regarding climate change, and the many reasons we have to be hopeful in confronting this crisis.

We had a large and engaged crowd, many of whom had never been to the club before, brave the weather to learn the latest in climate science. Thank you to all who made this such a useful and constructive discussion.

Many thanks to Tim and to Al Gore’s Climate Reality Project for an informative and hopeful presentation of not just the grim statistics, but also the progress that has been made in the quest to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions. For more info go to: <https://www.climaterealityproject.org/>

A Call to Action

If you were energized by Tim Guinee’s talk, or are just concerned and passionate about the threats posed by climate change, this is the time to step up and be heard. Your voice and your energy have never been more needed. Solving this problem will take many actions, big and small.

We cannot wait for politicians to do the right thing when there is so much we can do at the grassroots level. To that end, we are proposing to form a Sloop Club Climate Action Committee.

If you are interested in being a part of the solution, consider joining the team.

Contact Alan Thomas, acthoma@yahoo.com

**A Secret History of American River People
w/Wes Modes via Skype**

A Free Event

**Friday February 22
7:00 PM**

**Scenic Hudson’s River Center
(Red Barn, Long Dock Park, Beacon Waterfront)**



A Secret History of American River People is a project to build a collection of personal stories of people who live and work on the river from the deck of a recreated mid-century shantyboat over a series of epic river voyages. The project examines the emerging crises facing current river communities dealing with economic displacement, gentrification, environmental degradation, and the effects of global climate change.

Please note the date and venue! To accommodate the format the event is at the Scenic Hudson River Center, Long Dock Park, Beacon (Red Barn on the Beacon Waterfront).

Project members make their way downriver in a rustic houseboat, built by the artists over two years, loosely based on designs from shantyboats in the 1940s, from largely recycled and reclaimed materials. Traveling on the river in an authentic shantyboat and taking the time to listen to people’s stories makes this project unique. This participatory art project inspires deep wonder and connects meaningfully with people’s personal histories. In 2018 the shanty barge travelled down the Hudson River, collecting stories at many of our local communities.

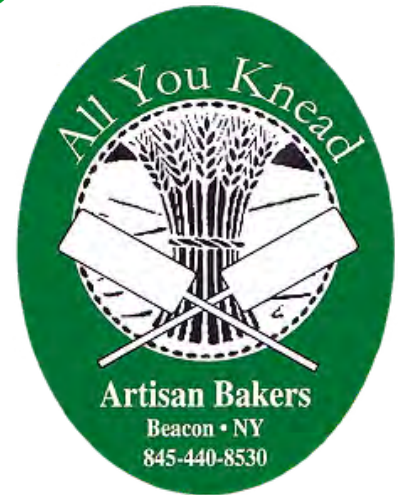
Wes Modes is a Santa Cruz artist focused on social practice, sculpture, performance and new media work. He has an MFA from the Digital Art and New Media program at UC Santa Cruz. He has exhibited his art and performed regionally since 1996. He is also a UCSC art lecturer and curator at the Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History. In other lives, he is a high-tech runaway, writer, community organizer, geek, and mischief-maker.

This event is free and open to all. For more information visit our website www.beaconsloopclub.org or call (845) 463-4660, (914) 879-1082

2:26 PM
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Cash Basis

Beacon Sloop Club, Inc.
Profit & Loss
December 2018

	<u>Dec 18</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Contribution, Gifts, Grants	
Special Events Contributions	477.00
Stock donation	1,160.10
Year End Appeal	910.00
Contribution, Gifts, Grants - Other	<u>992.00</u>
Total Contribution, Gifts, Grants	3,539.10
Gross Sales of Inventory	
Woody Mug	<u>25.00</u>
Total Gross Sales of Inventory	25.00
Investment Income	
Interest-Checking	1.60
Interest-Money Market	<u>11.91</u>
Total Investment Income	13.51
Membership	
Paypal	600.00
Snailmail	<u>600.00</u>
Total Membership	1,200.00
Pumpkin Festival	
T-Shirt & Hat	<u>30.00</u>
Total Pumpkin Festival	<u>30.00</u>
Total Income	<u>4,807.61</u>
Gross Profit	4,807.61
Expense	
Bank Expense	
Paypal	<u>14.40</u>
Total Bank Expense	14.40
Facilities	
Utilities	139.40
Woody Maintenance	<u>2,027.00</u>
Total Facilities	2,166.40
Pumpkin Expense	
Sanitation	<u>255.00</u>
Total Pumpkin Expense	<u>255.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>2,435.80</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>2,371.81</u>
Net Income	<u>2,371.81</u>
Opening Cash Balance 12/1/18	65,147.15
Closing Cash Balance 12/31/18	67,518.96
The Bonnie and Saul Rozinsky Fund	10,129.27



NEWBURGH BEAUTY AND TRAGEDY

March 9th Free Screening
Movies That Matter Beacon

First Presbyterian Church
McKinley Hall
50 Liberty St
Beacon, NY 12508

Doors open at 6:45pm
Films starts at 7:30pm
Discussion with director Dmitri Kasterine after screening

www.newburghbeautyandtragedy.com
www.moviesthatmatterbeacon.org



Current Calendar



Executive Committee meeting, Tues.,
Feb. 19, 7:00pm.

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

6th Annual MLK Day Singing Parade, Sat.
Feb 16, 9:15, Springfield Baptist Church, 8
Maddie Cooper Square, Beacon

**BSC Winter Lecture Series – A Secret
History of American River People w/
Wes Modes** Fri. Feb 22, 7 pm, at Scenic
Hudson's River Center (Red Barn), Long
Dock Park, Beacon

**Movies that Matter Beacon –Newburgh:
Beauty and Tragedy** , Sat., Mar. 9, 7:30
p.m. w/ director Dmitri Kasterine, At
McKinley Hall, 50 Liberty St., Beacon.
Free.

Woody Work Party, Sat. Mar. 2, time,
location and projects to be determined.
Check the Woody Sailor's site for updates.

Clearwater Winter Open Boat, Sun. Mar.
3, 2-5 pm, Clearwater's Kingston
Homeport, 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston

2019 Woody Dinner, Sat. Mar. 16,
5-10 pm, Chalet on the Hudson, Cold
Spring
For Tickets:
<https://woodydinner2019.bpt.me/>

Anyone wishing to join a Woody crew can
contact any captain or Jim Birmingham to
sign up. No experience is required. We will
train you.

**BSC Winter Lecture Series – From
Feudalism to Commuters, 300 Years of
Hudson Valley Communities – w/ Jim
Kelly**, Thur., Mar. 21, 7:00 p.m. At the
Clubhouse

**BSC Winter Lecture Series- Woody
Guthrie and “Old Man Trump” – w/ Will
Kaufman**, Mon. Apr. 15, 7:00 p.m., at the
clubhouse

**BSC Winter Lecture Series - A brief
overview of the Fishkill Supply Depot,
a Revolutionary War Site w/ Lance
Ashworth**, Thur., Apr. 18, 7:00 p.m. at
the clubhouse

Hold the date:

Women's Work Concert, Apr. 7

Pete Seeger Centennial Celebration,
May 4

Strawberry Festival, June 9

Corn Festival, August 11

Pumpkin Festival, October 20

Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.
For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloop.org, or www.beaconsloopclub.org