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## Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 48 Years

### A Message from Our President

It's like we never left!

June is here, and so are we. Our Tree rejoices! The beautiful sea of your smiling faces at our outside meeting, with the river and the Woody behind us, filled me with optimism and inspiration. Together at last, we can begin the full return to our mission, starting with Woody crew training sails and celebrating the season at the waterfront.

Strawberries flowed at our Nora Kiely Memorial Strawberry Celebration last Sunday. Many thanks to all you pickers, hullers, biscuit chefs, servers, truckers, site crew, musicians, revelers, eaters and dreamers. Corn Fest is coming!

See you at the river-  
Susan

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A Retro Strawberry Event, Battling Danskammer, Sail Training, and much, much more.....



*Friday Night Crew Training*

**NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING Tuesday, June 23, 6:00 p.m.**

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING Friday, July 2 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Household Membership donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_

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](http://www.beaconsloopclub.org).

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Jim Birmingham, Patrick Gallagher,  
Tom LaBarr, Ben Mazer,  
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## Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, June 4, 2021, recorded by Tom Elliott

Ben Mazer and Lydia Adams Davis led a group singing, "Rainbow Race," and **Susan Berliner** welcomed us, calling the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

**Treasurer's Report:** Aaron shared the Profit and Loss Report for April 2021, which is in the newsletter, below. With no questions, Susan thanked Aaron for his report.

**Woody and Harbor Report:** Captain Tom LaBarr reported that training sails are commencing with the Woody fully rigged and sailing nicely and the electric motor in good working order. There has been a problem with silt in the harbor at low tide, possibly caused by the Newburgh-Beacon Ferry's hiatus. If you are interested in sailing and want to join a weekday crew, come any weekday at 6 p.m. and apply to any captain. No experience is needed, as we will train you. New crew is needed now, and those who aspire to become captains are especially appreciated as we have need of one now and two or three more in the near future, due to anticipated retirements. If you are a Woody sailor, but have not been receiving emails, contact James Malchow at [jmalchow@gmail.com](mailto:jmalchow@gmail.com) to get on the list.

**Strawberry Celebration:** Rosemary urged members to participate and volunteer in the **June 13 members Strawberry Celebration** that will be held on the grounds of the club house. **Rosemary said** we have been working to secure local berries delivered, but if we can't, we may pick some ourselves at Grieg Farm, or buy good quality ones from California from local markets. Two members said they could pick berries and we have the whipped cream donated by members already. We will need volunteers at 9:00 a.m. to start setting up tents, tables, and chairs, and we especially **need volunteers to bake biscuits the day before**, since we won't have the oven to bake them on site. Hulling and chopping berries will begin at 10 a.m., and we will begin serving strawberry shortcake at noon. We won't have any smoothies this year. As this is a member's celebration rather than a public festival, there will be no food vendors present, so bring a dish if you can. There will be a Circle of Song during the event.

**Woody Guthrie Birthday Party:** Our party event for members is scheduled to be held at the Red Barn on Saturday, July 10. We are waiting hear from Scenic Hudson if the venue will be ready and available to us on that date. This is just a party for us, and not a fund raiser. We may have lawn games as well as food and refreshment.

**Clearwater Update:** Rosemary told us that The Great Hudson River Revival will be a 12-hour virtual event this year, and a major fundraiser for the Clearwater, the original boat that started the clean-up of the Hudson and a strong advocate for its protection ever since.

The pandemic has been very difficult for Clearwater, and economic recovery is still returning slowly, given the reliance on revenue earned from educational programs and school visits. Educational and recreational sailing has resumed on Clearwater this season, but donations are still needed. Please make this the "one time dig deep" for Clearwater to not only keep the boat sailing, but to help finish its last renovation cycle scheduled for this fall.

### Environmental Report:

Tom LaBarr told us that one of the best things any of us can do to help the environment is to grow food for ourselves and others. Not much land is needed, as deck and patio pots can produce quite a few vegetables, and even lofty apartment dwellers can grow herbs in window pots. Also, community garden space is available at Stony Kill Farm just over the Wappingers county line from Beacon, so you can have your own organic plot there. Back in the old days of the mid-twentieth century, kitchen gardens were prominent in many houses, and not just in rural areas. Many of these gardens could make a family almost self-sufficient, with canned and pickled items lasting well into the winter. "Eat Local!" Tom said, signing off.

**Membership:** Alan said a lot of memberships had not been processed during lockdown but are now caught up. He encouraged any who still need to update their memberships to see him or use the online link on the membership page of the website to be current again.

### Announcements:

**Lydia Adams Davis** announced that she and four other musicians have teamed up for a performance of original songs and standards. The concert is July 24, 8 p.m.

at the Howland Cultural Center. Tickets for both live and online attendees are available. Hear Lydia with Patrick Stanfield Jones, Marji Zintz, Judy Kass, and a new singer to our area, Joe Boggess.

Lydia also told us that she has volunteered to check in kayakers for this year's (July 24) River Swim to benefit River Pool at Beacon. She encouraged others to join her in helping out with this worthwhile and fun event.

**Adjournment:** With no more announcements, Susan adjourned the meeting and the Circle of Song began.

### Upcoming Clearwater Public Sails

Kingston, June 26th and 27th

Catskill, July 2nd

Rhinecliff, July 3rd

Albany/Rensselaer, July 25<sup>th</sup>

<https://fareharbor.com/embeds/book/clearwater/items/268525/?full-items=yes>

## The Nora Kiely Memorial Strawberry Celebration



In lieu of a large public event, members gathered at the river to celebrate the bounty of the Hudson Valley and honor a sloop club tradition. Dedicated to the memory of our friend and long-time volunteer Nora Kiely, it was a chance to return to our roots. Taking us back to 1978, members picked local strawberries and baked biscuits using Pete’s recipe.

Thank You to all who helped make this happen!



### Opposing the Danskammer Expansion, Advocating for a Sustainable Future

Efforts continue at the grassroots level and through local governments to stop the expansion of the facility into a full-time-gas-fired plant.

25 municipalities have passed resolutions in opposition and 150 elected officials have signed a letter to Governor Cuomo. You can help by staying in touch and following up with your representatives.

Scenic Hudson has presented an alternative plan to use the site as an energy storage facility for aligned with New York State’s transition to sustainable energy and consistent with the CLCPA. It can be found here:

[https://www.clearwater.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Danskammer-Alternatives\\_HMC\\_c-1-1.pdf](https://www.clearwater.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Danskammer-Alternatives_HMC_c-1-1.pdf)

Comments may be submitted to the Public Service Commission, Matter Master Case 18-F-0325 at:

<http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=56697&MNO=18-F-0325>

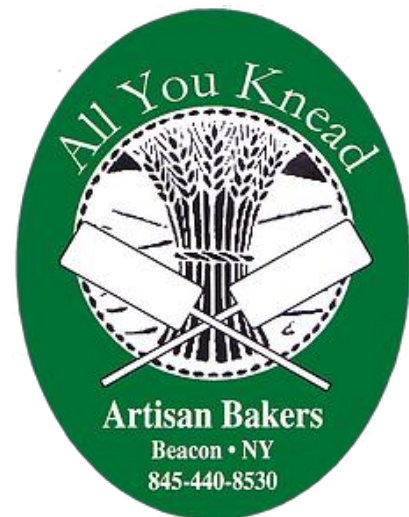
A Kayak flotilla to raise awareness of this issue is tentatively planned for August 4<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to participate stay tuned.

You can follow the Stop Danskammer Coalition for updates at:

<https://www.facebook.com/Stop-Danskammer-Coalition-104007614671447/>

## The Beacon Sloop Club, inc. Profit and Loss - April 2021

	Total
<b>Income</b>	
Contribution, Gifts, Grants	75.00
Lecture Series donations	305.85
Woody Nickles	16.00
<b>Total Contribution, Gifts, Grants</b>	<b>\$ 396.85</b>
Investment Income	7.54
Interest-Money Market	7.75
<b>Total Investment Income</b>	<b>\$ 15.29</b>
<b>Membership</b>	
Paypal	250.00
Snailmail	205.00
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>\$ 455.00</b>
<b>Other Revenue</b>	
Harbor Mooring Fee	1,000.00
<b>Total Other Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 1,000.00</b>
<b>Special Event</b>	
Haikootenanny	1,075.00
MLK essay contest - donation	120.00
<b>Total Special Event</b>	<b>\$ 1,195.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,062.14</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 3,062.14</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>Bank Expense</b>	
BPT	11.59
Paypal	57.59
<b>Total Bank Expense</b>	<b>\$ 69.18</b>
<b>Facilities</b>	
Utilities	355.45
<b>Total Facilities</b>	<b>\$ 355.45</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	
Tax filing fees	100.00
Website	19.37
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 119.37</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 544.00</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 2,518.14</b>
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<b>Opening Cash Balance 4/1/2021</b>	\$ 105,320.05
<b>Closing Cash Balance 4/30/2021</b>	\$ 107,838.19
<b>Change in Investment Value</b>	\$ 637.32
<b>Total Balance 4/30/2021</b>	\$ 108,475.51
<b>Unrestricted</b>	\$ 80,606.68
<b>Restricted (total)*</b>	\$ 27,231.51
<b>B &amp; S Rozinsky Fund 4/30/2021</b>	\$ 20,454.68
<b>Board designated funds</b>	\$ 5,002.71



### WOODY NICKELS

Go to the Fishkill Redemption Center and tell them to put your deposit proceeds in the Beacon Sloop Club envelope. Ask for a receipt.

**A&A Redemption Centers**  
794 Rt. 52 Fishkill  
(across from Fishkill recreational center)

**Open 7 Days:**  
Monday-Saturday: 9:30-5:30  
Sunday: 10:00-4:00

[www.bottlecanreturns.com](http://www.bottlecanreturns.com)

**Containers Accepted:**

They accept all soda and beer bottles and cans, water bottles, and other beverage cans, and all store brands of New York State returnable bottles and cans. They do not accept Gatorade, Snapple, vitamin water, ice teas, Powerade, or juice bottles. (Please make certain all your containers are NY State returnable.)

**Count Them Before You Come In:**

You can save time by counting your cans and bottle before you go to the center. Put them in a clear bag labeled with the quantity.

**Please rinse all your containers!**

## **Current Calendar**

**BSC Executive Committee Meeting**  
Wednesday, June 23  
6:00 – 8:30pm  
**At the Clubhouse**



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

**Beacon Sloop Club Membership Meeting**  
Friday, July 2 6:30 – 10:00pm  
At the clubhouse

**Woody's Birthday  
Volunteer Appreciation Day**  
Saturday July 10  
4PM – 9PM  
At the Clubhouse

A chance for our volunteers to relax and recharge as we return to 'normalcy'.

Potluck offerings gladly accepted.

**Corn Festival  
Yes, It's True!**  
Sunday August 15  
Noon-5pm  
Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park



**Danskammer Flotilla**  
**Tentatively Wed. Aug 4**  
**Stay tuned for details**



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