A Message from Our President:

Fall is here. This season is lots of people's favorite. The days are cool and pleasant and the nights are great for sleeping. We haven't had a hard frost yet, so there is still plenty of fresh local produce at the stands and farmer's markets.

The BSC will be holding its Pumpkin Festival on October 18th right at the waterfront in Beacon. We need some help with a very traditional Sloop Club task. At 8:00 AM on Sunday the 18th, a truck will arrive with a load of pumpkins. It will be up to us to provide the hands to unload them and arrange them in a display for sale. We use “pass the pumpkin” system to move them. With over 200 pumpkins involved, we need some folks to join us Sunday morning.

Our club has been participating in the Clearwater “Revamp the Camp” project. Work has been going along both on weekends and during the week. BSC people have been involved in all kinds of work from shoring up the building with new posts and main beams in the basement, to wiring the building for computers and phones. Thanks to everyone who has put in time and effort on this project.

We're working on our own clubhouse as well. On October 10, there will be a work party at the BSC to get the place ready for the cool seasons. We'll be cutting, splitting and stacking firewood. Much of the wood is driftwood delivered by the Hudson almost to our back door. We just have to cut it to size.

The General meeting was a little preview of Halloween. Electric power to the immediate area went out at about 7:15 PM and we met by improvised light. The meeting was short, fun, and productive.

I'm going to turn movie critic for a line or two. We saw Michael Moore's latest effort, Capitalism: A Love Story last evening. It's great. Not to be missed!

See you at the Pumpkin Fest.
Saul.

Inside this issue:
Volunteers needed for the Pumpkin Festival, the Ramble, a low carbon meeting, a rendezvous with the Dutch and much more….

NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, October 27th, 7:30 p.m.
NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, November 6th, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30
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, October 2, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Saul Rozinsky.
The meeting was shortened because of a Power blackout.

Treasurer’s Report:
We have a current balance of $39,697. This will decrease to $28,913 after paying for insurance.

Spirit of Beacon Day:
The Sloop Club will have a table at the spirit of Beacon Day in front of 331 Main St. Pete will be across the street with the kids from room 12. Kevin Haydon is coordinating activities. The parade is at 1:00 PM. Meet at the end of Main St. at 12:30 PM.

The Pumpkin Festival is October 18th
Posters were distributed. Rosemary Thomas and Caitlin O’Heaney are coordinating the festival. Ron Bell is making the veggie chili. We have pumpkin filling for making pies. Several people volunteered to make pies. The location of pie making will be announced later. Use the tax letter to avoid paying sales tax on any purchases and keep receipts.

Woody Report:
Jim Birmingham stated that they have had over 1400 people sail on the Woody this season. We have also had more than 160,000 hits on the website.

Patrick Gallagher is going to sail the Woody to the Walkway-Over-the Hudson Celebration in Poughkeepsie.

Chris Ancliffe stated that the boat moorings will pulled on 10/24 and 10/25. All boat owners must have their boats out of the harbor by 10/24. Docks and tenders will be removed on 10/31. Cable wiring is needed to tie to the moorings for retrieval at a cost of $100. This expenditure was approved with a voice vote.

Clearwater:
David Cohen made a motion to donate $1000 to Clearwater. The motion was seconded by Michael Scolnick and passed with a voice vote. The treasurer will be directed to send a check.

Betty Harkins is organizing a painting party for the White House, Clearwater’s new headquarters for, Saturday October 10th. She suggests that all who come bring a sack lunch. Contact Betty or Alan Thomas for more information.

Saul thanked Bonnie Rozinsky and Tinya Seeger for helping with the computer and phone wiring. Eugene and Nora Hammond did plastering and David Eberle put in new beams in the basement to shore up the foundation.

Building Committee:
There will be a work party Saturday October 10th at 9:00 AM at the Sloop Club. We will be cutting wood, cleaning up, and other activities. Contact Claudine Craig to sign up. Claudine Craig, Pete Seeger, and Caitlin O’Heaney will be arriving early.

Nominations:
Nominations are open for 2010 officers. Claudine Craig’s name was placed in nomination and seconded for the office of vice president.

Announcements:
Pete Seeger stated that the Springfield Baptist Church will be having a Martin Luther King celebration and play in January. Pete encouraged us all to attend and consider auditioning for a part in the play.

Slide show on Cuba: Nora Gallardo, Alison Bodine and Manolo de Los Santos will speak on the Pastors for Peace 20th Caravan to Cuba in July. Tuesday, October 13th, from 7 to 9 PM at the Newburgh Free Library. More Information: 845-542-0557 or 212-926-5757

The Something to Say Café will be meeting at the BSC on Saturday October 24th at 7-9PM.

Fran Cott asked for volunteers to prepare trashcans for a “Newburgh Trash Can Decorating Contest. On October 15th, the trash cans will be scrubbed clean and primed for painting. The location is on Washington Street 1 Block west of Route 9W.

A Peace March will be held on October 17th at 1 PM at the Municipal Building in Beacon and will terminate at the Hiddenbrook Property on the other side of Beacon.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

Minutes taken by Bonnie Rozinsky in David Eberle’s absence

Submitted by David Eberle, Secretary

The Woody Greets Visiting Dutch Boats
By Mel Healy
We had an awesome morning on the sloop Woody Guthrie, 7-9:30am. We barely touched the engine. It didn't rain. 15 people on board, 2 from FL who hadn't been on the river before. The Dutch boats were visible coming past Bannerman’s as we sailed down to greet them. They were all motoring, no sails up today (except ours) (we saw their sails on Tuesday). They all came by to look, blow horns and greet. The wind was perfect for us; we had the top sail up. We tacked and jibed to and fro in the wifty wafty. Onrust was docked over at Torches. The rowers were the last to pass by. Tuesday rowers were the first into Peekskill (after the Onrust cannon/reanactor musket volley and the music boat). The rain started as we let off folks at the dock in Beacon. We (Tom Baldino, Vinnie and I) led our crew in song as we sailed to greet them all.

For further information on the Dutch ships go to: http://www.spts.nl/index_eng.php
For more photos by Mel Healy: http://web.me.com/maryellenhealy/Mel_and_Vinnie/Our_Albums/Our_Albums.html
**400 Years Ago**

On October 1, 1609 the crew of the Halve Maen traded with natives near Peekskill. One native was shot and killed by the Dutch mate when he discovered he had stolen clothes and a pillow. Another native was killed by the cook as he attempted to board.

The following day near Manhattan the Halve Maen was pursued by about one hundred natives in canoes. Several natives were killed when Hudson ordered the guns to be fired on them.

On October 4th Hudson entered the Atlantic to begin the return journey to Europe. According to Van Meteren:

> "While at sea, they held counsel together, but were of different opinions. The mate, a Dutchman, advised to winter in Newfoundland, and to search the northwestern passage of Davis throughout. This was opposed by Skipper Hutson. He was afraid of his mutinous crew, who had sometimes savagely threatened him; and he feared that during the cold season they would entirely consume their provisions, and would then be obliged to return, many of the crew ill and sickly. Nobody, however, spoke of returning home to Holland, which circumstance made the captain still more suspicious. He proposed therefore to sail to Ireland, and winter there, which they all agreed to."

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**Special Guests on Nov. 6**

The opening act for Richie Havens is New Orleans based singer Rochelle Harper. Rochelle and her partner Gary Boswell will be our special guests at the Beacon Sloop Club regular monthly meeting on November 6th to speak about the situation in New Orleans and to sing a few songs and to meet with Pete.

**Saturday November 7th 2pm Hudson River Sloop Singers Broad Old River 2 Concert at the Sloop Club $10. Open session after.**

The concert will be a fundraiser 50/50 for the Sloop Club and Clearwater like the CD.
The Beacon Sloop Club’s charter was formally renewed for 2009-2010 at the Clearwater board of director’s meeting. The meeting was held at the annual gathering on September 27th at the former University Settlement Camp. Several club members were in attendance.

contact: Caitlin O’Heaney, 764-1007, zooheaven@juno.com
Or Rosemary Thomas, 464-4660, rmthomas99@yahoo.com

Beacon Sloop Club is revisiting an old tradition this year, the creation of stone soup. This activity and item are based on the following tale, of which there are many versions:

**Stone Soup (the French version)**

Many years ago, a grey and grizzled soldier came into a little town, looking for a bite to eat on his long way home. But the village he encountered was shuttered and unfriendly to any stranger, and he knew it would be difficult to get a meal.

The soldier had been in this situation before, so he took out a black kettle from among the supplies he carried. He placed the kettle in the middle of the village square, built a fire under it, and added several buckets of water. At the bottom of the kettle, he placed a large, smooth, stone. Soon after he had started the soup, a couple of villagers walked up, curious. What’s that you are cooking? They inquired. Oh, just some lovely stone soup, the soldier replied casually. Stone soup? How very odd, they said, more curious than ever.

Yes, said the soldier, it is a good soup, but I agree with you; yes, it is tasting a little bit odd, hmmm, it could probably use some salt. Salt? "said" one of the passersby? Oh, I have some! And she added a good pinch to the soup. "And what about onions?" said another villager. You never get a good soup without onions! And he brought about 10 onions for the soldier to throw in. It seemed like everybody had a suggestion for this soup, AND also a contribution.

About half way through the day, all these contributions added up to a thick, tasty, incredible soup. The villagers all gathered together to share the pot of soup with the soldier; and they all agreed they’d never had a tastier bowl of soup!!!

As you can imagine, the soldier was sure to pack his kettle up for the next town on his travel agenda!

So, dear Beaconites, on Sunday, October 18th, we would love you to bring your contribution to our kettle of stone soup!!

**Items for stone soup:**

Any Vegetables (peeled and chopped would be good!)
Noodles
Pasta

**Items we don’t want:**
canned vegetables
meat of any sort

Bring your items between noon and 1pm to the stone soup kettle in the middle of the festival and we will add them to the pot!! The soup, which is free, will be served between 3pm and 6pm.

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Beacon Sloop Club Revamp the Camp Day II
Saturday Oct. 10th, 9am-2:00
Bring a bag lunch and join us at the University Settlement Camp as we help Clearwater “Revamp the Camp” for their new home.
For more information contact Alan Thomas: 463-4660, acthoma@yahoo.com, or Betty Harkins, 831-8606.

Member’s Sail on the Clearwater
There was more than a touch of fall in the air for the annual member’s sail on the Clearwater. It kept our jackets on and the wind in the sails for a night of good snacks, good friends, and good music for our hard-working volunteers. A very special thank you to Captain Nick Rogers, all the crew, and to special guest Chris Bowser for his rendition of the jellyfish.

Beacon Sloop Club Revamp the Camp Day
The Beacon Sloop Club showed up in force to help our old friends and new neighbors at Clearwater “Revamp the Camp”. Clearwater is targeting their move into the historic “White House” for October 21st and there is still much to do before the building is ready.
Club members brought their talents and enthusiasm and some learned a few new skills under the direction of Don Raskopf, Hal Cohen, and Saul Roszinsky.
We had a team rebuilding walls, plastering, spackling, and doing other painting preparation upstairs. Another team ran wires for the phones and data network.
By the end of the day Tinya and Bonnie were experts in computer network installation.
Jeff Rumpf provided inspiration and background on the house, its history and plans for its future.
Betty with her stories and photo of the beginnings of the Little Market Street building was our organizer and link to the long tradition of BSC collaboration with Clearwater.
Many people came back later on their own to help out.
BSC TREASURER'S REPORT  10/02/09
Submitted by Joyce Hanson

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Food Drive
We will be collecting donations of food for the Community Action Partnership Food Pantry before each general meeting. Please consider helping out. Contact: Michelle May 831-4019

CLIMATE ACTION FAIR
SAT. OCT 24th 1 to 4 PM HASBROUCK PARK
Join millions of people around the world on this day to fight climate change - and have fun doing it
* Visit Yoga Green Future 130 mpg car, solar-powered clothes drier & cooker, energy-savers
* Crazy Climate change fashion show * 12” Climate Thermometer
* KA’s costume-making, games & contests
* Great local food, music & prizes

WANTED: 350 PEOPLE !!
For humming group photo at 3:50 PM

*380 parts per million is the safe threshold for atmospheric CO2
We are now at 390 ppm. Details at http://www.380.org/

For volunteer or help sponsor: Contact Climate Action Coalition of New York, Ann Genzler 628-2547 at NYFEC/ann3304@gmail.com

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Every Sunday Farmers Market at the Beacon Waterfront 10-4pm

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Fresh Made Pasta
Mario's Brick Oven Bread
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Now on 106.5 in Beacon!
Executive Committee meeting, Tues. October 27th, 7:30 p.m.

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

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-4 p.m., At the Ferry Dock, Beacon, NY

Revamp the Camp, Sat. October 10th, 9am-2:00, white house at the Settlement Camp, 724 Wolcott Avenue (Route 9D), Beacon

Building Committee work party, Sat. October 10th, 9am at the BSC club house.

Walkabout Clearwater Coffee House, Magpie, Sat. October 10th, 7:30 PM, 250 Bryant Ave., White Plains, NY

BSC Pumpkin pie baking, Sat. Oct 17th, noon-5:00pm, at ZuZu’s, Main St, Beacon, NY
Contact: Rosemary Thomas 463-4660 to sign up

BSC Pumpkin Festival, Sun. Oct 18th, noon-5:00pm, at the Beacon Waterfront, Rain or shine
Set-up starts at 8:00am

Free Sailing on the Woody, week nights, 6:00pm at the BSC, For Reservations: 845-297-7697 – Just 2 weeks left!

Woody Work Parties: On the boat. Please contact a captain or Gigi Fris to volunteer.

THE CLEARWATER MOMENT daily at 11:11 am on WAMC, or affiliate; Saturdays, 9 AM - 2 PM.

Harbor Maintenance, moorings and docks, Sat-Sun, October 24-25, Beacon Harbor, contact: Chris Ancliffe or Henry Thurston

350 Climate Action Fair, Sat. October 24th, 1-4PM, Hasbrouck Park, New Paltz, NY

Something to Say Café, Sat. October 24th, 7:00 PM, at the BSC club house.

Broad Old River 2 Concert, Sat., November 7th, 2pm at the Sloop Club $10. Open session after.

Richie Havens Benefit Concert for Katrina Relief, Sat. November 7th, 7:30 PM, Trinity Episcopal Church, Ossining

Fall Kill Creek Clean-Up, Sat. October 10 (Rain Date: Sunday, October 11, 10 AM – 1 PM, Meet at the Mid-Hudson Children’s Museum @ 9:45AM

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.

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