A Message from Our President

We had a large turnout for this month’s meeting, including our regulars, those who come to celebrate Pete’s birthday, and several new people. We hope you weren’t too disappointed that Pete could not be here and we hope you will all come back again and again.

There are two items from the Ex. Board meeting: First we are requesting that people hold their announcements to 2-1/2 to 3 minutes so that everyone has a chance to speak without it taking so long. If you feel you need more time we are asking that you bring this to the board’s attention during the week before so that we can provide time in the schedule. Currently some people inform us before the meeting, others at the meeting, and some not at all. We need to make the process more efficient and time limited. Thanks.

We are also making a determination of what type of covering to put on the new wall behind where the stove sits. If you would like to have some input please come to the Ex Board meeting. If you have a suggestion bring a sample to show. The wall is almost done and the club house is looking great thanks to a lot of work done by Aaron over and above what was in the contract. Thanks Aaron. We have discovered some leaks in the North roof which will eventually have to be fixed.

Boat preparation will be done soon on the Woody Guthrie. We could still use some help on Saturday and Sunday mornings to get the boat ready to sail. Come join us up at White's Marina in New Hamburg.

We are holding our annual river front cleanup Saturday May 11th rain or shine. We will also be cutting up drift wood to make firewood. We are providing coffee and in the morning, a nice lunch a free pass to the concert at 5:30 PM as well as a voucher for a free mug of beer at the Newburgh Brewery. Free food, music and beer, what more can you ask for?

It is also the beginning of the Festival season, The Strawberry Festival is June 9th. We need all hands on board. anyone wanting to volunteer should contact myself, Rosemary, Tom LaBarr, David Cohen, or James Malchow. Help set up tents, tables and chairs on Saturday or help prepare the strawberries at Tom’s and then enjoy the party.

Lastly my good news is that I have a new Granddaughter, my second, born two weeks ago. Life goes on.

Sincerely
David Eberle

Inside this issue:
Revolutionary tales, many thanks to our volunteers for Earth Day, the Woody, the Harbor, the sailing class, and much, much more……
If you haven’t yet; Please Renew.

BSC Membership Form

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 ________________________

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Would you like information on Clearwater Membership? ☐ How did you hear of us? ______________________

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

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

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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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Alan Thomas, PO Box 430, Hughsonville, NY 12537

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The meeting began at 7:32 p.m. with “This Little Light of Mine”. David Eberle announced that the club would celebrate Pete Seeger’s 94th birthday. The club sang “Happy Birthday” as cake was cut and passed out. New guests were welcomed from Jerusalem, Israel, as well as throughout New York and Connecticut.

Sarah Elisabeth gave the treasury report. The closing balance is $87,212. David Eberle announced that Ken Miller’s birthday party fundraiser raised $250 for the club. David also asked that anyone with announcements at the end of the meeting keep their remarks under two minutes in length.

Tom LaBarr gave the Woody report. The Woody is at White’s Marina and work parties are on Saturdays and Sundays. Hope Altkin asked Tom to remind everyone that White’s is in New Hamburg, NY and work parties begin at 9:00 a.m. Tom also noted that work has been going on on Mondays at 4:00 p.m. David Eberle announced that the moorings are in place in the harbor and new buoys that meet Coast Guard regulations have been installed.

Saul Rozinksy gave the Building Committee report. The wall has been built and the area behind the stove will be covered with stone. Saul also announced that a work party on May 4th would be held to dig a trench to lay a power line to the Woody’s charging dock.

Several club members discussed the Strawberry Festival. The Strawberry Fest will be June 9th. Tom LaBarr announced that on June 8th at 10:00 there will be a prep party at his house in Beacon where about a third of the strawberries will be prepared. Contact Tom for directions. Rosemary Thomas reminded the club that the key to a successful festival is for everyone to volunteer, then explained the arrangement of the tent. Susan Berliner discussed the club’s continuing effort to have zero waste. We would like for there to be several volunteers at the recycling and compost stations to ensure that everything is placed in the proper bin. Susan also announced a work party at Tom LaBarr’s house on May 18th at 10:30 to paint new cans. David Cohen reminded that club that in addition to the preparations at Tom’s house the day before, lots of work goes on to prepare the park, including assembly of the strawberry tent and laying a water line. Prep day work is followed by a party at Tom LaBarr’s.

Alan Thomas announced that the final environmental lecture for this year will be a film showing on May 17th at the Sloop Club about the construction of a wooden schooner. Alan also announced that the club’s fundraiser showing the film Chasing Ice was a great success.

Joyce Hanson announced that on August 18th there will be a concert with David and Jakob Bernz and Hope Machine as the second annual Woody Guthrie celebration concert.

Don Raskopf announced a film showing at the Sloop Club on May 5th of the anti-fracking film Dear Governor Cuomo.

David Eberle announced that the May 11th river sweep will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Sloop Club. In addition to cleanup work, there will also be an art showing and an evening concert.

Manna Jo Greene thanked the Sloop Club’s newsletter creators. Manna also announced that the plan to sell Central Hudson to Fortis was recommended against by the Public Service Commission. Fortis is well known for its poor environmental record. Manna also asked that the club’s environmental committee consider a health and safety resolution. Later in the meeting Jim Krivo announced that Newburgh, New Paltz, Kingston, and other cities have publicly opposed the merger but Beacon still has not.

Connie Hogarth announced that on Tuesday, June 11th there will be a dinner for the New York Civil Liberties Union in Hastings. One of the honorees is Manna Jo Greene.

Frances Cott announced that local governments are now permitted to prevent fracking within their own borders, so we may now contact our local officials about the issue. Ed Hauffman reiterated Frances’ statement and asked BSC members to call state senator Mark Grisante’s office in support of S. 673, a bill which would outlaw fracking.

Dan Einbender announced a concert on May 12th outside Albany with Pete and Peggy Seeger.

Sue Rosenberg announced on May 19th at 2:00 p.m. will be a film called “Bitter 70” about gas drilling on public lands shown in Woodstock.

The meeting broke at 8:30 p.m.

Anthony H. Smith

Anthony Henry Smith, 73, a longtime Beacon Sloop Club member passed away Monday, April 15 at home surrounded by his loved ones. Anthony was born on October 3, 1939 in Harlem New York. A graduate of the Valley Forge Military Academy he served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Era. He was known as Socrates to his classmates.

Anthony was an Educator working with children at risk; later he dedicated much of his life to the study and practice of folk education. He was a musician, an artist and philosopher. Anthony spent his life committed to finding "better answers" and to find ways to use the transformative force of love to support and promote well-being and the common good.

Strawberry Painting Party
Saturday May 18th
10:00 at the LaBarr’s House

We Need a Few Artistically Inclined Folks
For
Painting of Earthpods, Signs etc.
Please call Susan at 297-7692 or Rosemary at 463-4660
Fortis/CH Energy Merger Update

Administrative law Judges Rafael Epstein and David Prestemon issued an advisory decision that the public benefits of the deal do not outweigh the risks and that mitigation plans were not adequate. The judges noted the importance of community relations to the utility company mission and suggested that the state Public Service Commission, consider modifications to the plan to change the risk/benefit balance.

The commission must now decide whether to hold additional hearings on the plan before ruling approving or modifying the deal. Filings are due by May 17. The judge’s ruling may be found at: http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/Common/ViewDoc.aspx

Build Your Own Solar Backup System Workshop with Saul Rozinsky.

Saul went through the theory and practice of building small solar systems. With hands-on demonstrations participants learned to build their own backup systems for charging cell phone or emergency lighting.

Sybil Ludington- the Hudson Valley Paul Revere

Thank you to Susan Wright, Jonathan Kruk and a chorus of young singers who presented, “Sybil Ludington- the Hudson Valley Paul Revere” as our April Lecture.

On April 26, 1777 sixteen-year-old Sybil Ludington road through the night alerting the countryside to the British sack of Danbury, covering more than twice the distance of the more famous ride of Paul Revere.

Her heroism was celebrated through Jonathan’s dramatic story telling, Susan’s original song, and the kids revolutionary ditties.

Stawberry Workers of the World, Unite!

Sunday, June 9th is our annual Strawberry Festival, abounding with opportunities to try your hand as a volunteer. It’s a great way to make friends, have fun and do something wonderful for the river, and your community. No experience necessary. All workers are guaranteed equal pay(none) and benefits (satisfaction). Here’s what you can do:

Saturday, June 8th

- Twelve hundred pounds of Strawberries will be delivered to the LaBarrs’ house Saturday morning. At 10:00am we will be hulling, slicing and freezing approximately 1/3 of the strawberries. Also, the dry biscuit mix will be made for the festival. We will be serving STRAWBERRY DRINKS (with & without) and CHOCOLATE COVERED STRAWBERRIES. Lunch will be served when the strawberries are safely stored away in the freezer. NOTE: This is not a potluck; all food and drink are provided.

- Directions: From the intersection of Route 84 & 9D, go north on 9D. We are the 5th house on the left. The house is red with a large mailbox. Call 831-4267 for more info.

- Site Crew at Riverfront Park from 9AM – 12 noon. Help prepare the site for Sunday – set up the oven, strawberry and environmental tents, vendor layout, electrical, water, haul tables, equipment, signs, etc. Trucks welcome! We never have enough trucks.

- Site Watch at Riverfront Park from 12 – 8. Come down for an hour or two, bring a picnic or a guitar, and spend a lovely afternoon in the park.

Sunday, June 9th – Festival Day. All hands on deck! You will be welcomed with open arms, open hearts and work gloves.

- Set Up: 8AM – haul and unload tables, chairs, equipment, etc. Set up the tents and work areas. Trucks welcome!

- Loaders: 8AM – Meet at the LaBarr’s to load berries

- Strawberry Tent: 9AM – 5PM - We need hullers, washers, whippers, bakers, servers, goo moppers and gofors. Work for an hour or all day. Jump in any time – there’s never a shortage of fun things to do!

- Beacon Sloop Club Booth - Woody guest sail sign-up, sell T-shirts / merchandise, provide information and Sloop Club membership.

- Woody Sailors – Contact your captain.

- Dock Safety / Lifejackets – Help Woody guests on and off the dock and provide life jackets / instruction.

- Zero Waste Pod – Building on last year’s success our prestigious earthcare / recycling / compost / team needs pod people.

- Crowd Control – People movers with a gentle touch. The lines can get long and hungry. We need someone to make sure people are in the right line and moving efficiently.

- Take Down / Clean Up – 5PM. Strike the set! Return everything from whence it came and leave the park looking even more glorious than when we started. This is a great time to help out, especially if you have not yet had an opportunity to work – fresh energy is really appreciated by workers who have been working all day! Trucks gratefully welcomed.

Please call Susan at 297-7692 or Rosemary at 463-4660 for more info or to sign up.
The Woody Report

The Woody is still at White’s Marina in New Hamburg and in need of your support. From now through mid-June is all hands on deck time for Woody sailors and volunteers. The final caulking and sealing of the hull needs to be completed this weekend so that swelling can begin. The boat needs to be at least 80% swelled before she can go into the water. Once in the water she needs the mast stepped, rigging completed, and the motor installed before returning to Beacon.

John McLaughlin will not be here from May 24 until June 3. So the captains will be coordinating the final activities needed to get the boat to her first festival, which is the Riverfest in Cornwall on June 1. That is quickly followed by the Strawberry Festival and the Hudson River Revival the next two weekends so dust off you life vests, practice your bowlines, and come out to help. We need everyone one of you. New recruits and sailor wannabes are very welcome.

Pythagoras and the Bernoulli Brothers
Walk Into a Bar…..

Actually it was the Beacon Sloop Club’s sailing class with Captain Steve Schwartz at the helm for a lecture that ranged from vector algebra and aerodynamics to the virtues of local microbrew and the fickle nature of Hudson River winds. With a little relativity thrown in for good measure the class learned to calculate apparent wind, from boat speed and true wind, how to account for tides and currents, and use all of that to sail up wind.

I counted twenty-six students that night so we have a good crop of potential new Woody crew members in the pipeline. I’ve heard great things about the other sessions as well from some of the attendees. I’d like to thank our captains for doing such a great job of conveying their knowledge and love of sailing. I came away chafing to get back on the river.

Wave/Water Paintings
by Gail Robinson
June 1-July 30th.
M-F 8-5 and Saturdays 8:30-12:30 at the
Rhinebeck Savings Bank
1476 Rt 9D Wappingers Falls NY
A few doors away from Dutchess Stadium and right across the street from Dollar General.

The Harbor Team Prepares for the Sailing Season

The Sloop Club’s Harbor team has been busy with installing and repairing docks, placing moorings, and getting the harbor ready for the sailing season. They also placed new marking buoys to comply with current Coast Guard requirements. Thank you to Saul Rozinsky for installing new solar lights.

There is still work to do on the docks, moorings to place, and ongoing maintenance throughout the year. If you are a boat owner and haven’t done so get your mooring fee to Kip Touraine and come out to put in your hours. There is also plenty of opportunities for non-boat owners too.

Hello Woody Sailors and Volunteers

We will be sailing the Sloop Woody Guthrie down to Croton for Clearwater’s Great Hudson River Revival, on June 15 and 16, and we will need lots of helpful volunteers both on Land and on Sea to make this a success. We anticipate being able to utilize the stairway/floating dock arrangement from last year to load guests from the shore-line bulkhead directly onto our Sloop. These are some of the jobs necessary to make this vast undertaking a success:

- Transporting the dock to Croton before the festival, assembling and installing and removing it.
- Transiting the Woody down to Croton on June 14th and returning her to Beacon on Monday June 17th
- Guest sails during the festival on Saturday and Sunday. We need as many Captains and Crew as possible to make this work, and work well.
- Sitting at our table/tent and signing up guests for the day’s sails.
- Managing the stairway/floating dock at the bulkhead to insure safety at all times.
- Anchor Watch on the Woody overnight. (Sleeping on board)

If a Clearwater member you may sign up as a full Clearwater volunteer to work on the Woody. For 8 to 10 hours of work for the Woody; you will have full weekend access to the festival grounds and music venues, access to the Volunteer Food Tent 2 Volunteer Parties Saturday night and receive a Clearwater Volunteer T-Shirt.

2) IF YOU ARE A BEACON SLOOP CLUB MEMBER, and have not signed up as a Clearwater volunteer you can offer as much time to our effort as you can spare, and in exchange for your work on the Woody receive a one-day-only pass, with no access to the Volunteer Food Tent, and no free T-Shirt, but you will be able to enjoy some of the festival and music, when not working on the Woody, hopefully in an hour for hour exchange. If you can help out in this capacity, please get in touch with me as soon as possible; also we need to get your names to Clearwater beforehand.

PLEASE HELP!!!!

Steve Schwartz, Tuesday night Captain, sloopcapt@aol.com
Phone: (845) 462-7756
The Environmental Committee Proudly Presents: 
The 2013 FREE Winter Lecture Series 

Where: The Beacon Sloop Club, Beacon Harbor, Beacon, NY (across from Metro North riverside)


Volunteers are welcomed for set-up, clean-up, supplying refreshments, and posting flyers.

Earth Day Events Brought Many New Faces to the Sloop Club

A huge thank you to the Eberle's, David for organizing the Earth Day Concert and a very special thank you to Lynn Eberle for the after concert party. The concert was very successful. We offer a special appreciation to the many performers who donated their time, talents and profits from their CD's. Thank you to those who were not able to make the concert and sent in a donation to support the Woody Restoration. To the voices of the Earthtones, MotherLode Trio, OpenBook and David and Jacob Bernz the BSC thanks you! Many thanks to Bonnie Champion, Aaron, Phyllis, Rosemary and Rob Thomas, Saul Rozinsky, Kurt Hauck, Stephane Chase, Pepper and Peter Krayer, Betty Harkins and Dennis. You helped make this event happen!

We had a great turnout and spirited talk for the showing of "Dear Governor Cuomo"! Thanks to Jon Bowermaster, Natalie Merchant and their daughter; Dr. Cathy Nolan of Catskill Mountainkeeper; Joyce, Susan, Betty and Rosemary of Beacon Sloop Club for all their help.

Thank you to director Jeff Orlowski for attending the screening of his film Chasing Ice, renaissance man Andy Revkin for the musical interlude and serving as moderator, to Drs. Marco Tedesco and Radley Horton for lending their scientific expertise. Also to our Sloop Club volunteers, Robert, Rosemary, Joyce, Connie, Saul, JC, and Alan.

A Very Special Thank You to Joyce Hanson who was a key player in all of these events.

Charlotte - A Wooden Boat Story
A documentary about tradition, craftsmanship, community, and love of the sea.

Charlotte is a film about an extraordinary boatyard, the Gannon & Benjamin Marine Railway, located on the island of Martha's Vineyard

“Catch hold of the passion for craftsmanship –you cannot be unmoved…”- Jon Wilson

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Strawberry Festival

Sunday June 9th
Noon-5:00 pm
Riverfront Park, Beacon, NY

Strawberry shortcake
Arts & Crafts
Live Music
Food
Free Admission

Free Sails on the Woody Guthrie!

Metro-North to Beacon Station – For more info visit www.beaconsloopclub.org
Rain or Shine
Executive Committee meeting, Tues. May 28th
7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

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

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-3 p.m.,
At the Harbor Beacon , NY

PLANET BLUE WITH CHRIS RUHE and Tonia Shou on radio station WVKR 91.3 FM, Every Fri., 5 to 6 p.m.

Beacon Sloop Club Sailing Class, Wed. Apr. 10-Wed. May 29, 7:00-9:00 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse

Riverkeeper Sweep, Sat. May 11, gather between 8 and 10 AM at the Beacon Sloop Club

Trash to Treasures, Sat. May 11, 11AM to 4 PM, Beacon Ferry Dock

Concert and Party, Sat. May 11, 7 PM, Beacon Sloop Club, Free to Sweep volunteers otherwise suggested donation $10

Renewable NY by 2030, Mon. May 13, 6:30-9:00 PM, Mount Kisco Public Library, 100 E. Main St., Mount Kisco

Beacon Sloop Club Winter Lecture—"Charlotte - A Wooden Boat Story", Fri., May 17, 7:00 PM, at the BSC Clubhouse

Strawberry Painting Party, Sat. May 18, 10:00 am, LaBarr’s House, Rt. 9D, Beacon, call Susan 297-7692 or Rosemary 463-4660

A March Through Time: Beacon Centennial Celebration Parade & Kick Off Festival, Sat., May 18, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Main St. and Memorial Park

Woody maintenance – Contact a captain or John McLaughlin

Cornwall Riverfest, Sat. Jun. 1, Noon, Donahue Park , Cornwall-on-hudson

Strawberry Festival site set-up, Sat. Jun. 8, 9:00 AM, Riverfront Park, Beacon NY

Strawberry Festival Berrie Prep, Sat. Jun. 8, 10:00 AM, at the LaBarr’s, Rte. 9D, Beacon NY

Strawberry Festival pre-Festival Work Parties, Sun. Jun. 9, 8:00-noon, Riverfront Park, Beacon NY

Strawberry Festival, Sun. Jun. 9, noon-5:00 PM, Riverfront Park, Beacon NY

Strawberry Festival Site Cleanup, Sun. Jun. 9, 5:00-7:00 PM, Riverfront Park, Beacon NY

Woody Transit to Croton, Fri. June 14, time TBD.

GREAT HUDSON RIVER REVIVAL Sat.-Sun., June 15 - 16 , Croton on Hudson.

Woody Transit to Beacon, Mon. June 17, time TBD.

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