

Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 41 Years

From the Editor's Desk

I cannot support high volume hydraulic fracturing in the great state of New York," said Howard Zucker, the acting commissioner of health.

This came across the wire as I was pondering what to write. It says so much about what we are about that I feel compelled to dwell a moment. This is the culmination of the work of a grassroots movement that began in our club and so many other small local groups and communities. You can take pride in knowing that some small piece of this result was due to your efforts to educate ourselves, the public, and our representatives. In the end the facts won out. It's an honor to be part of this team.

What I set out to say is this: in seven years as your editor circulation has never been higher, but it is so important that each and every one of you renew your membership and stay involved. We need your help to keep the club a vibrant and positive force in the community, to continue to educate the public on issues that affect the Hudson River, the environment, and their quality of life.

The Woody Guthrie is one of our most visible platforms and a symbol of what a grassroots organization can do. We need everyone's help to get her back in the water and drawing the public to our message. Like it or not that means more fundraising, so please think of ways to help. It will take many contributions and events, big and small to reach our goal.

Happy Holidays!

Inside this issue:

Spreading Holiday Cheer, marching for unity, preparing for winter, election results, and much, much more.....



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, December 23rd 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, December 5th 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30

Name _____ Street Address _____

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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>

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.

To our postal mail subscribers:

As you renew please consider converting to an electronic subscription. It saves \$\$s and paper.

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Please submit articles for the Beacon Sloop Club Broadside by the 1st Monday after the Friday general meeting 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, December 5, 2014

The meeting began 7:30 with the club singing "Come and Go With Me to That Land." Saul Rozinsky welcomed first time attendees from Ossining, Ulster Park, and Connecticut. Saul noted that we will need to have a wood cutting work party soon.

Sarah Elisabeth gave the Treasury Report. The opening balance was \$200,285 and the closing balance was \$200,001. Alan Thomas presented a check from his mother for \$2,500 for the Woody restoration.

Saul Rozinsky announced the nominations for club officers for 2015 and opened the floor to last minute nominations. Steve Schwartz declined re-nomination for President. Bonnie Champion thanked everyone for her nomination for Vice President at the November meeting but declined. By a show of hands, Sarah Elisabeth, J.C. Calderon, and Gail Moran were elected Treasurer, Vice President, and Secretary respectively. Ballots for club President were distributed. James Malchow and Saul Rozinsky each spoke about their nominations before the ballots were collected.

Don Raskopf gave a report from Clearwater and announced that Clearwater, the Beacon Institute, and the New York City Hall of Science will be partnered in the creation of an Estuarium on the Hudson River in Manhattan at Pier 26. It will have a great positive impact on the organization. Alan Thomas said that he will be presenting a PCB-related resolution for the club to consider at the January meeting. Alan passed out copies and will invite Manna Jo Greene to speak about the issue.

Tom LaBarr gave the Woody Report. He said that Rocking the Boat asked to visit the Woody in person and will hopefully do so before the holidays. Tom announced that the Woody Dinner will be on March 1st and Alyssa Jones will perform. Tom also announced that there will be a sailor's meeting on January 17th. Tom also urged people to bring their own plates and utensils to the meetings.

Steve Schwartz read a resolution that was passed by the club Board at its November meeting, saying "the executive committee recognizes the feedback and sentiments expressed by the membership at the November general meeting and will pursue a restoration of the Woody as its primary focus of research."

Bonnie Champion read the election results. James Malchow was elected President. Saul Rozinsky was applauded for his work as President and devotion to the club.

Discussion moved to club events. Aaron Verdile asked for volunteers for the Holiday Sing on December 12. David Eberle announced a Holiday Party at his house on December 7. Lydia Adams Davis announced a concert on December 21 in Kingston. Bonnie Champion announced rehearsals for the Martin Luther King Day parade will be on January 5 and 12. Wayne Kocher donated \$100 to the club.

Announcements

Jeremy Cherson announced a campaign and rally on January 7 against fracking at the State Capitol during the State of the State address in Albany. Information is at Riverkeeper.org.

Mar Routson presented holiday cards for sale to benefit Stewart Park and Reserve Coalition.

Eugene Hamond offered yard signs opposing the Pilgrim Pipeline.

Connie Hogarth announced a December 8 rally regarding Michael Brown and Eric Garner.

The meeting broke at 8:30 p.m.



Woody Sailor' Meeting
Sat., January 17
9:00 am
Scenic Hudson's River
Center
Long Dock Park, Beacon

Agenda:
Update on the Woody
Elections
Plans for 2015

Thank You to our Woodcutters



Thank you to Lionel Lutley for stepping up and organizing a much needed woodcutting party.

With chainsaw, axe and maul, and our team of eight volunteers we harvested enough of the river's bounty to get us through January at least.

Several people have offered us wood that is on their property. If you have access to a pickup truck or trailer to transport it please get a hold of either Lionel or James Malchow and they will arrange to have a volunteer crew to cut up and load it.



The Holiday Sing Raised Spirits

and some much needed cash and food for the Beacon Food Pantry. A huge thank you goes out to Aaron Verdile for organizing the event again this year.



We had a great mix of new voices and Sloop Club veterans, favorites and new compositions, folk, jazz, gospel, secular, Christmas, and Hanukah. There was a little something for everyone.

The event raised over \$300 plus food items and was a great opportunity for the community to come by for some holiday cheer. There were many new faces on the stage and in the crowd.

Thank you again to all the performers, goodie makers, holiday decorators, cleanup crew, and all those who added their harmonies.



Does your employer match Contributions?

Many employers will match employee charitable contributions to encourage community involvement. Does yours?

Building the Fires of Justice

"Don Raskopf had the fires going for an estimated 75 Justice Rally participants who walked to the river from the Beacon Visitors Center on a frigid Tuesday night" The Clubhouse offered a much needed chance to warm up and regroup. It was the least we could do to show our unity with the community.



The Hudson Valley and the Catskills Number Three on Fodor's Go List for 2015

A relaxing (and affordable) alternative to New York City filled with world-class cuisine, outdoor adventures, and hipster charm.

Why Go Now: Forget New York City—the allure of the Hudson Valley and nearby Catskills Mountains are now impossible to ignore

<http://www.fodors.com/news/photos/fodors-go-list-2015#!3-the-hudson-valley-and-the-catskills>

A Clean(er) River has much to do with this!

The Board of Directors of the New Netherland Museum is pleased to announce the **Half Moon** will be going to a new home port in the City of Hoorn, Netherlands in 2015. In a vote taken by the City Council only moments ago, the City of Hoorn has voted in favor of the adoption of the **Half Moon**. The **Half Moon** will be part of a 17th century historic site managed by the award-winning Westfries Museum. The New Netherland Museum will retain ownership of the **Half Moon**.

Holiday House Party Raises \$2200 for the Woody

(photos by Markie Baylash)

Fast becoming another sloop club tradition, David Eberle opened his house to the community for a holiday get together and raised over two thousand dollars for the Woody Guthrie restoration. That was almost \$5 for every Santa in his collection.



David and his sisters must have cooked all week to put on such a spread which was bolstered by pot-luck items brought by our members.

With music by the Judith Tulloch band and others, lively conversation with friends old and new, and all those goodies it was a great way to kick off the holiday season.



The Beacon Sloop Club Presents

Thursday Jan. 8

7:00 PM

and

Sharon Rowe
CEO and Founder,
Eco-Bags Products, Inc
(she's featured in
The film)



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At the
BSC Clubhouse

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Sharon Rowe is the CEO and Founder of Eco-Bags Products, Inc. The "Original Reusable Bag Company,™" ECOBAGS® Brand, is recognized as a category leader, since 1989. The company is known for their commitment to outstanding quality, socially responsible supply chain and innovation; "cleaning up the planet one bag at a time.™"



Sharon has been featured as an environmental pioneer in TIME Magazine, Glamour Magazine, and in the award winning documentary "BagIt." She has been quoted in publications such as The Wall Street Journal, Nylon Magazine, Entrepreneur Magazine, Conscious Choice Magazine, and heard on National Public Radio and Air America. ECOBAGS® products were featured on Oprah's first dedicated Earth Day show in 2007. She has won numerous awards, including the national 2012 Enterprising Woman Award, issued by Enterprising Women Magazine. Eco-Bags Products, Inc. is a long standing certified member of Green America

*9th Annual
Sloop Woody Guthrie Benefit Dinner*

Sunday, March 1st

*At the Towne Crier Cafe,
379 Main Street, Beacon*

Proceeds for the Woody's Restoration!

Cocktail Hour 5:00 - 6:00

Cash Bar

Live Music by E'Lissa Jones Band

Raffle Door Prizes

Buffet Dinner Includes:

Beverages:

Soft Drinks, Coffee & Decaf, Assortment of GH Ford Teas

Appetizers:

*Vegetable Crudité & Dip, Assorted Cheeses & Crackers,
Squash and Apple Arancini, Baba Ghanouj, Hummus,
Mixed Organic Salad Greens and dressing*

Entrees:

*Sesame Crusted Tofu - Asian style with sautéed broccoli rabe, roasted red bliss
potatoes & sauce Mostrada.*

Rigatoni with Broccoli Rabe and Sausage

Chicken (free range) Cutlet Francese

Grilled Scottish Salmon Fillet

...all served with an assortment of sautéed vegetables and roasted potatoes.

Dessert:

*Belgian Chocolate Walnut Brownies
(served with chantilly whipped cream)*

Donation: \$75.00 per person

Reservations required. Deadline is February 24th

However, space is limited, so we suggest you reserve now!

For information, call or email

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Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report								
Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth								
Wednesday, November 12, 2014								
BSC General Fund	Amount	Snailmail	Paypal	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Donation	143.68							
Membership	125.00	125.00						
Vendor	480.00				480.00			
Total	748.68							
Festival	-1033.34				-1033.34			
Total	-1033.34							
Total Monthly Income & Expenses	-284.66	125.00			-553.34			
Opening Balance	200285.99							
Closing Balance	200001.33							



106.5 IN BEACON



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<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3100801>

supporters
35
amount raised
\$672.27

The Beacon Sloop Club announces its 9th Annual Benefit Dinner for the Sloop Woody Guthrie
 Sunday, March 1st
 Towne Crier Cafe, 379 Main Street, Beacon.

Cocktail hour and appetizers begin at 5 pm. A buffet dinner follows at 6, with raffle and door prizes. Live music is by the Elissa Jones Band, a kinetic band known for buoyantly blending elements of rock, jazz, blues, funk, country, folk and tango into a good time.

Proceeds are for the restoration of the Beacon Sloop Club's environmental education sailing sloop, the Woody Guthrie, which needs a new hull this year. Donation: \$75.

Reservations required; the deadline is February 24th. However, space is limited, so we suggest you reserve now! For dinner details and to print a reservation form: www.beaconsloopclub.org. To reserve online: <http://woodydinner.brownpapertickets.com>. For more information: See us on Facebook, Beacon Sloop Club; email Tom LaBarr, labarrt@engr.newpaltz.edu; or call 845-831-4267.

Current Calendar

Executive Committee meeting, Tues. December 23rd 7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting Jan. 2nd– potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-3 p.m.,
At the Long Dock Park, Beacon NY

PLANET BLUE WITH CHRIS RUHE on radio station WVKR 91.3 FM, Every Mon., 5 to 6 p.m.

MLK Day Parade Rehearsals, Mon. Jan 5 and 12,
6:00 pm, Springfield Baptist Church, Beacon

Bag It – screening w/ Sharon Rowe, Thurs. Jan. 8,
7:00 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse.

Woody Sailor's Meeting, Sat. Jan. 17, 9:00 am,
Scenic Hudson's River Center, Long Dock Park,
Beacon

MLK Day Parade, Mon. Jan. 19, 9:30 am, Springfield
Baptist Church, Beacon

Membership Reminder

For most people membership renewals are due in January. This is a very critical year for the Beacon Sloop Club. With the planned work on the Woody, ongoing discussions over parking and festivals, and key environmental issues such as fracking and oil transport coming to a head it's important that you renew, participate, and be counted. As always it's not about the money, arrangements can be made for financial hardship. Our strength is in our membership.

Contact: Vane Lashua, or Sarah Elisabeth



Winter Maintenance on the Woody Guthrie,
contact a captain

Save the date!

This year's 9th Annual Beacon Club Benefit Dinner for the sloop Woody Guthrie: Sunday, March 1st at the new Towne Crier in Beacon. Cocktail hour at 5:00; dinner at 6:00; music with dancing, door prizes and raffle. Music by "E'Lisa Jones Band" check them out on Facebook or www.elissajones.com. Cost \$75.00. More information to follow.

The Beacon Sloop Club Winter Lecture Series will be held on the 2nd Thursday, Jan. thru May 2015. Please save the dates, 1/8, 2/12, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14. The topics will be determined shortly.

2015 festival Dates

Strawberry Festival Sun. June 14
Corn Festival Sun. August 9
Pumpkin Festival Sun. October 18

Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloop.org, or www.beaconsloopclub.org