A Message from Our President

It was with great delight at the September meeting that we announced all the progress that was made with the Woody over the last month. On August 16th the contract for the restoration was finalized. On the 18th the boat was moved from New Hamburg to Kingston, and since then restoration work has been going on. Volunteers from the club have been present all throughout the process to help prep the boat, move it, and assist with the restoration work. Volunteer work is going to continue in the coming weeks and months. Regular work parties are going on weekends, but anyone who is free on weekdays can also make a difference on the project as well. Anyone who is interested in being added to the email list for weekly project updates and volunteer information should email me at jpmalchow@gmail.com. In addition to help on the boat, the club also needs volunteers to sit the fundraising booth at the farmer’s market and other events.

Later this month the club will once again participate in the Spirit of Beacon Day. This year we will have a booth and will march. The club will be marching alongside Clearwater and possibly Walkabout. Find the details elsewhere in this newsletter.

Last but not least, thank you to everyone who helped make the Corn Festival a great success. We couldn’t do it without our volunteers, and be sure to mark your calendars for the Pumpkin Festival on October 18.

James
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The **Beacon Sloop Club Broadside**  

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:  

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**Woody Captains:**  
Chris Ancliffe, Tom Baldino,  
Jim Birmingham, Steve Feyl,  
Patrick Gallagher, Ben Mazer,  
Steve Schwartz, Kip Touraine  

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**If you haven’t yet; Please Renew.**  

**BSC Membership Form**

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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.  

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

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

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

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Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting
Minutes, September 4, 2015

The meeting was kicked off by our 'house' musician’s rendition of *Going down the Road*. President James Malchow then called the meeting to order.

**Treasury Report - Sara Elisabeth:** Monthly income was $7400. Expenses were $5275. The opening balance was $242,845 and the closing balance was $248,118.

**Woody Report – James Malchow for Jim Birmingham:** The Woody has been trucked to the Hudson River Maritime Museum in Kingston and work has begun. We have had great support from our volunteers with large weekend work parties. Many hands make for light work. Alan Thomas reported that he and Wayne Chernek were embedded with the Rondout crew during the week and it was a great experience. There are many skilled and unskilled tasks that contribute to the efficiency of their team.

James is managing volunteer signups for weekday and weekend tasks and sending email updates. Please contact him at jpmalchow@gmail.com to be added to the distribution.

**Fundraising Committee – Rosemary Thomas:** First Rosemary thanked all those who volunteered for the Corn Festival. It was great success due to everyone’s help and dedication.

The pumpkin Festival will be Oct. 18 and pie baking is on the 17th. David Eberle has ordered the pumpkins, Joyce Hanson will be buying supplies and arranging access to a commercial kitchen. Margaret noted that we baked a record 130 pies last year and still sold out. Rosemary will contact Gigi about Stone Soup. Mel Healy found a box of Happy Pumpkin Cookbooks from 1972 and gave them to the club.

Spirit of Beacon Day is Sept. 27. This year the club will march with Clearwater. We have a spot for the Where’s the Woody booth at 312 Main St. and need volunteers to staff it.

We have new Woody baseball style hats available for $20 to members. We are discussing ways to use them for promoting membership and fundraising.

Rosemary and Susan are working on a “Little Art” event, tentatively set for the Sat. before Thanksgiving. They need help to organize and publicize this to make it a success.

Tom Labarr stated that next year’s Woody Dinner would be the last week of February or the first week of March. Please start putting a little aside now so you will be able to attend.

Rosemary gave a big shout out to Konstantin and Barbara for staffing the fundraising booth at the farmer’s market. It’s so important to maintain our presence in Beacon while the work parties are going on in Kingston.

Bonnie Champion thanked everyone again for helping with the Corn festival and presented a check for $400 to the Woody Restoration.

**Announcements:**

Bonnie Champion- there will be a Climate Action Coalition event on the Walkway over the Hudson Oct. 14-16.

Lydia Adams Davis- Thanked Ferry Sloops for their concert featuring Lara Herscovitch. Lydia will be performing her puppet show on Labor Day at the Beacon Natural Market.

Ken Miller announced that he would like to form a music committee to organize member performance at the festivals.

Mel Healy reminded the club that she is collecting historical items related to the sloop clubs and Clearwater. She also highlighted the pumpkin cookbooks, which she recently found.

Mel and Vinnie will be performing at the Gardiner Open Mike at 7:30 tomorrow. The Clearwater annual meeting is on Sept. 20th 10-2 at the Settlement Camp.

James Malchow announced that the annual BSC sail on the Clearwater is Sept. 30th. Joyce Hanson is organizing it. Thank you to Joyce for a difficult job as we have many more members than spots.

Francis Cott announced that the Woodstock Animal Sanctuary has moved to New Paltz and will open at 11 am tomorrow.

Jacob Bernz invited everyone to his CD release party at the Towne Crier, Oct. 4, 7pm. Admission and a CD cost is $15.

Connie Hogarth announced the next Movies that Matter Beacon showing will be on Sept. 25th with *The Last Mountain* a story about the impact of mountaintop mining. She also highlighted the activities of Justice for Samuel, a coalition involving several club members seeking accountability in the death of Fishkill corrections inmate Samuel Harrell.

Matthew Tether introduced Les who is running a volunteer cleanup in Gardiner tomorrow.

Kazi Oliver announced “I am back”, He will be performing at the Sacred Earth Festival, at the Howland Center with Sarah Elisabeth and Mary Poppins, and at the Pumpkin Festival. The membership thanked him for an outstanding performance at the Corn festival, especially for joining in on *This Land is Your Land*.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20

Respectfully submitted by Alan Thomas for Gail Moran.

**Member Seeking an Apartment**
Beacon / Fishkill

A clean, responsible, non-smoking woman seeking: Country setting, private, quiet 2 bedroom apartment (LR, DR, Kitchen, 1 bathroom)
Please Contact Ronnie at (845) 896-4001 x 318

**Family of Samuel Harrell Files Suit**

The family of mentally ill inmate Samuel Harrell filed suit against the state, guards and prison officials on in federal court in White Plains.

The complaint said he was repeatedly kicked and stomped at Fishkill Correctional Facility while handcuffed, cursed with racial epithets, and thrown down a flight of stairs after the April 21 beating.

The incident came to light in a New York Times article published in August. U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara issued a statement last month saying that he was monitoring the case. A spokesman for the state correction department declined to comment.

The Woody Guthrie Restoration

Work has begun on the Woody Guthrie in the Ralph Allen Shed at the Hudson River Maritime Museum. With a combination of weekend work parties and embedded volunteers we have been a part of the process every step of the way.

The boat has been stabilized, shear strakes and upper planks have been removed, along with chain plates and other hardware to gain access to structural elements to be inspected or replaced. With the replacement of the shear clamps the first new wood was installed on Sept. 11.

I know I speak for all our volunteers when I say that it is a trip being part of a living exhibit. There has been a steady stream of folks wanting to learn about the boat, the club, and the project. It has been a great opportunity for outreach and demonstrating the power of community. We are off to a great start so let’s keep the momentum going on both the physical work and the fundraising needed for continuity of the project. Anyone wanting to help in any capacity please contact, James, Malchow, Steve Schwartz , or Jim Birmingham.

Please Help with Fundraising

In order to get the Woody back without delay we need everyone’s help and ideas.

Whether your pockets are deep or shallow, you have a lot of time, or can just give a few hours to make an event a success, we need the contributions of all of our supporters. When done we will have a boat that contains a little bit of all of us and all those who put so much into her in the past. Like Pete’s grains of sand on the seesaw, together many small contributions can tip the balance and bring the Woody home.

Does your employer match contributions or give out community grants?

Do you have a friend who might like to join?

Do you know of a place that would host an event?

Do you have a fundraising idea?

Do you know a former member who would like to become active again (there are over 1000)?

Contact Rosemary Thomas or Susan Berliner or come to a fundraising committee meeting.

Volunteer Opportunities

Pumpkin Volunteers

Saturday October 17, Sunday October 18

Saturday Pie Baking:

Crusty People at David Eberle’s with rolling pins, food processors, clean hands, and community spirit. We will prepare the crusts.

Mixers and Bakers, a small team to mix filling and bake the pies at Simone’s commercial bakery on Main St.

Sunday Festival Volunteers:

Park set-up and vendor check-in 9am, setting up tents, running water lines, unloading pumpkins, etc.

Pie slicers and sellers, earth care people, chili and soup cooks and sellers, pumpkin patch minders, clean-up crew, and many more important jobs.

Come Help us celebrate the bounty of the Hudson Valley.
EPA Announces GE PCB Facility Shut Down

EPA project manager Gary Klawinski announced that GE was shutting down and dismantling up to half its operation because it is no longer needed. General Electric is showing every indication that they will claim to have met its obligation under the consent order with the Environmental Protection Agency. GE may temporarily dodge responsibility for the contaminated sediment in the Champlain Canal and un-dredged areas of the Hudson. There is room for optimism that eventually the cleanup will happen but at what cost in time and money?

New York State is constitutionally required to maintain a twelve-foot minimum depth in the canal to allow boat traffic. They have been unable to meet this obligation due to lack of facilities to address the PCB contamination in its sediments. GE currently has the resources and expertise to accomplish the task. Even if GE did not assume the full cost of the operation it is common sense that leaving their facilities in place would provide the most cost effective solution.

Beyond the dredging specified in the consent agreement are the damages and additional mitigations to be determined by the trustees made up of three federal agencies and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. Again it seems that the most cost effective mediation would be accomplished by a continuous cleanup plan.

Complicating the situation is GE’s plan to move its corporate headquarters and Governor Coumo’s attempts to bring them to New York State. As environmental groups, including the Beacon Sloop Club and local politicians continue to call on GE and the agencies involved to do the right thing the Governor’s position remains unclear.

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Clearwater’s Young Women at the Helm Featured on the NBC Nightly News

If you can make it past the petroleum ad this is a great vignette of Clearwater’s program to empower young women. It’s so cool to see the looks on the faces of the women as they step up to the challenge. This is what it’s all about.


Family-Style ‘Walk and Wade’ at Esopus Meadows Sept. 19, 5:00 PM

Walk and Wade in the Hudson River during the “magic hour” of sunset for a fishing program for all ages, at Esopus Meadows Preserve, 257 River Road, Ulster Park and take to the river with waders and a net to see what you can catch. The fishing is followed by a sing-along with Linda Richards Linda Richards of SLYMI (Sing Like You Mean It). Bring picnic dinner and relax by the river for an enjoyable and educational experience. For more information, contact Eli Schloss, Tideline Director, Eli@Clearwater.org.

Clearwater Annual Gathering
Sunday, September 20, at 10:00AM,
University Settlement Camp,
724 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon.

Board of Directors election, music, presentations and the Sloop Club Congress will all be a part of the program. For more information, contact Erin@Clearwater.org.

Clearwater to Honor Osborns Nov. 15
Please save the date, November 15, for a Clearwater Gala to honor Hudson River Valley community leaders Annie and Fred Osborn III! The festive event will be 4:00-8:00 PM at The Garrison on Route 9 in Garrison. Tickets, $250. Please call Clearwater’s Manager of Membership and Sloop Club Relations, Ann Mellor, for more advance information (845) 265-8080 x7119.
If you missed it at Jacob Burns during the summer, this is a terrific opportunity to see this top notch, fascinating documentary about Indian Point by Ivy Meeropol. The film stars and features many familiar faces from the IPSEC coalition – probably some people you know!

This movie is truly riveting – with amazing views inside the plant that few people get to see. And very compelling interviews with Entergy personal. A Q&A with film subjects Marilyn Elie, Roger Witherspoon and Brian Vanagor will follow the screening.

tickets available here: Tickets for the Beacon Independent Film Festival

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**Movie Screening of: “Indian Point”**
Saturday, September 19th
8 pm
Beacon Independent Film Festival, Beacon, NY

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**What Is the Drug War?**

LECTURE BY
PAUL BERMANZOHN

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**Clearwater Gala to Honor Annie & Fred Osborn III**

Sunday, November 15th
4:00-8:00 PM

The Garrison
2015 US 9, Garrison, NY

Festive Attire

For more information call: 845-265-8080

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**Solarize Beacon +**


Solarize is a not-for-profit community education and group purchasing program that makes it easier and more affordable for households and small businesses to go solar.

**SEPTMBER 14  MONDAY**

Solar Education Workshop
Monday, Sept. 14
7 - 8:30 PM
Newburgh Free Library
124 Grand St
Newburgh, NY

**SEPTMBER 17  THURSDAY**

Solar Education Workshop
Thursday, Sept. 17
6:30-8 PM
The Beehive
261 Main St
Beacon, NY

**OCTOBER 1  THURSDAY**

Solar Education Workshop
Thursday, October 1
7 - 8:30 PM
Desmond-Fish Library
Route 403 at Route 9D
Garrison, NY

For more info: Solarize-HudsonValley.org
Solarize Help Line: 1-866-205-2999
Wishing a Speedy Recovery to Freddie Martin

Member Feddie Martin was discharged from Hospital of Special Surgery in NYC and is housebound in Cold Spring. We wish him a speedy recovery! He misses his friends at the Sloop Club. If you would like to offer your support he can be reached at: fred@hudsontrails.com
The Beacon Sloop Club’s Pumpkin Festival

Sunday, October 18th
Noon – 5:00 pm
Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, Beacon

Rain or shine

Food
Children’s Activities
Craft Vendors
Music

Two Solar Powered Stages

Stone Soup

www.beaconsloopclub.org
Executive Committee meeting, Tues. Sept. 22nd
7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

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

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

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

Family-Style ‘Walk and Wade’ at Esopus Meadows, Sat. Sept. 19, 5:00 PM, Esopus Meadows Preserve, 257 River Road, Ulster Park

Clearwater Annual Gathering, Sun., September 20, at 10:00AM, University Settlement Camp, 724 Wolcott Avenue, Beacon.

ENERGY, SAVE DOLLARS WORKSHOP, Tues.
Sept. 22, 6:30 p.m, Howland Public Library, 313 Main St, Beacon, NY 12508, please register in advance. Contact the library at (845) 831-1134.

SIERRA CLUB ANNUAL TAG SALE, Sat., Sept. 26,
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Drop-offs Fri., Sept. 25, 1-6pm at Mulligan’s Irish House, 2146 New Hackensack Rd., Poughkeepsie.

MOVIES THAT MATTER BEACON: The Last Mountain: on the devastation of Mountaintop Mining in Appalachia. Fri., Sept 25, 7:30-10 p.m. (doors open at 7), First Presbyterian Church of Beacon at 50 Liberty St. in McKinley Hall

We Need Volunteers for the Woody Fundraising Booth at Upcoming Events

Spirit of Beacon Day?
Pumpkin Sail?
Other Events?
You can sign up at:

http://doodle.com/pkyffqemz2423imn

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