A Message from Our President

Thanks to everyone who came out to the Pumpkin Festival and helped make it a great success. In spite of the cold (and a bit of snow) we sold out of a record number of pies, along with everything else we brought that day. With that we closed out another fantastic festival season for our club.

The cold months are a similarly busy time for the club, so I hope everyone will come out to the various events we have going on in the coming weeks. On November 21 we have an art exhibition called Little Boxes. The Holiday Sing is on December 11. David Eberle's holiday party to benefit the Woody is on December 13. In January the club will participate in Beacon's Dr. King parade and our winter lecture series will begin. I hope you will mark your calendars for these events, along with the others noted in this newsletter.

Work on the Woody is coming along well. The professional crew is going to take a break from the Woody while they work on the Clearwater over the winter, but club volunteers plan on continuing the work during that time. We hope that we can make significant progress in that time and that, after some more months of professional work, we might have our boat back in the water in 2016.

Finally I want to mention that club elections are in December. Initial nominations for club offices were made at the November meeting, but the floor will be opened to additional nominations prior to the voting in December. I encourage club members to come out and vote. It says a lot about the strength of our club each year when dozens of members come out in the December cold to cast their vote. I hope this election will be no different.

In the meantime, I hope everyone has a joyous Thanksgiving. Speaking for myself, I'm very thankful for the good work, friendships, and inspiration that I have enjoyed because of my participation with the club. Thank you all for being a part of that.

-James
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 educational/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.

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

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Input must be received by the Monday following the monthly membership meeting. Send to Alan Thomas at acthoma@yahoo.com or mail to PO Box 430 Hughsonville, NY 12537. Please allow one week for special handling.
Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting
Minutes, November 6, 2015

Opening Song: “It Takes a Worried Man”
James welcomed back Saul, who was at tonight’s meeting.
Treasury: Opening balance $220,361 and closing balance
$225,060. Now is a good time to renew your membership.
Nominations: Betty Harkins presented the committee’s slate:
James Malchow for President
Sarah Elisabeth, Alan Verdeille, and Saul Rosinsky for Vice President
Gail Moran for Secretary
Sarah Elisabeth and Alan Verdeille for Treasurer
Alan Thomas made a motion to accept the slate. It was accepted. Then we had nominations from the floor:
President: Steve Schwartz – he accepted
Vice President: Steve Schwartz – he accepted
Secretary: Steve Schwartz – he declined; Joyce Hanson – she accepted
Treasurer: Steve Schwartz – he declined
We thanked the Nominating Committee.
Firewood: Some sources are available for free firewood for the clubhouse but we need a volunteer with a truck and others to get it here. A sign-up sheet was sent around.
Woody Report: Don Raskopf said work is ongoing. All shear planks have been replaced. Other work includes, stringers, planks & sisters. About 80% of the lumber needed has been donated. This along with the volunteer hours is saving us money and time. Work is also going on to winterize the shed for the Woody by putting tenting up to make work possible. Kricker’s crew will now be focusing on the Clearwater, which arrived this week, through their spring launch. Winter work will continue but at a slower pace.
Wayne Ford will give a workshop on frame replacement on November 15 from 10 – 2 at the boat. He will work with club volunteers to teach the process of removing old frames, as well as fabricating and installing new ones. It is important to be there if you plan to work over the winter. The training will be followed by a work party, Steve Schwartz said that White’s Marina said our Mast and Boom can stay there. The boom needs to be oiled and covered with plastic.
Funding: The response to the Appeal Letter sent to current and past members has yielded $4000 so far. In response to a question Alan said there are also several outstanding grants that have been applied for – Hudson River Improvement Fund, Patagonia, Hudson Valley Community Fund (for docks), and NYS Arts, Culture and Heritage. We hope to hear the results of the Improvement Fund soon. We are looking into applying to the DEC Estuary Program. Alan prepared a package that can be sent out to the donors that comprise the Community Fund. The Grants committee is open to ideas and could use volunteers to refresh the queue. The Indiegogo social media site setup is in progress.
Solar Trailers: Sal Rosinsky reported a rain cover was lost and now hardware needs to be replaced on one of the trailers. The second was towed from the Festival before the ground wires were removed and suffered some damage.
Events:
November 21- the Little Boxes Art Reception and Auction.
Thank You Volunteers!!

Even though it was the coldest day of the fall by far (can you believe it snowed?), we had another great festival. Cathy’s pumpkin hats were a huge hit.

With so many people to thank we can’t call out all of you but would like to highlight the Eberles for hosting the prep party, Kurt for stepping in to do the sound, and Karen for taking on Stone Soup when Gigi was ill. We would also like to thank the seven members of Alpha Phi Omega from SUNY New Paltz who joined us.

We sold out 148 pies, 30 gallons of Chili and pumpkin soup, and most of the pumpkins. All of that and we were out of the park by 6:30.

The Woody Guthrie Restoration

The Woody has been stabilized with the installation of new shear clamps, bilge stringers, and the new king plank as the professional shipwrights are shifting their attention to the Clearwater.

New odd upper frames have been fabricated and installed on both port and starboard along with new deck beams, and many other items.

We now have four of our volunteers who have learned to fabricate frames and Wayne Ford is giving a workshop this Sunday to continue our training and empower us to continue some of the skilled tasks over the winter. There are still many tasks for volunteers of all skill levels, clean up, organizing supplies, lending an extra hand, engaging the public, etc. etc. We will also need volunteers to winterize the shed. We are also discussing opportunities to work with Clearwater to free up the shipwrights sooner.

If we can raise the remaining funds over the winter we are well positioned to launch next year.

A Salute to Our Veterans

On this Veteran’s Day we would like to salute and honor all of our members who have served in the armed forces.

The Final Harbor work party will be Sat. 11/21 at 8:00 am
Statement on Hudson River Demobilization Plan
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service and NOAA
Federal Hudson River Natural Resource Trustees
November 12, 2015

The Hudson River valley is a unique and nationally significant ecological, cultural and economic resource. Under Federal Superfund law, GE is responsible for both the remediation – cleanup – of the PCB contamination, and the restoration of injured natural resources through the Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration process. Now is the time for GE to thoroughly address their PCB contamination of the Hudson River.

Although the dredging has removed some of the contamination, it has not addressed nor compensated the public for injuries to natural resources. Trustees have determined that GE’s PCBs have injured groundwater, fish, waterfowl, surface water, and navigational services of the Hudson River for decades, and these injuries will continue well into the future. On behalf of the American people, including all New Yorkers, the Trustees will continue to vigorously pursue measures to ensure GE meets its obligations and to recover damages to restore the natural resources of the Hudson River.

David W. Kluesner
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

EPA Statement on Approval of PCB Processing Facility Demobilization and Restoration Plan for Hudson River Cleanup, November 12, 2015

After considering public input, the EPA has approved a plan that outlines the multi-step process General Electric (GE) will follow to dismantle and decontaminate the 110 acre PCB sediment processing facility that was built to support the dredging of the Hudson River PCBs Superfund Site. The plan, called the Processing Facility Demobilization and Restoration Plan, is required by the 2006 legal agreement between GE and the EPA for the dredging work. The EPA will oversee GE’s performance of the work required by the plan.

With the sixth and final season of dredging now complete, the approval provides permission to GE to begin the demobilization and restoration process as outlined in the plan.

The demobilization process will continue into 2016. In general, the multi-step demobilization process includes:

- Decontamination of equipment and infrastructure (e.g. unloading equipment, buildings, concrete surfaces etc.)
- Sampling of equipment/materials
- Final placement of equipment/materials (e.g. sale, reuse, salvage/recycling, or off-site disposal)
- Environmental sampling (soil, groundwater, sediment and surface water)
- Property restoration

Backfilling of previously dredged areas with clean material was completed earlier this week. The processing facility will continue to load railcars until all dredged material has been transported off site, which is expected to occur by the end of the year.

The majority of comments received by the EPA on the draft demobilization and restoration plan focused on two central themes. Some commenters did not want the EPA to allow the demobilization to occur in case there is an opportunity for additional dredging. No such opportunity is imminent and should an agreement be struck by parties other than the EPA a temporary processing facility can be constructed. The EPA has used temporary dewatering facilities at other sites around the country. Dismantling the 100-acre plant would not preclude future dredging.

Other commenters requested that infrastructure be left in place to support future development of the site for the economic benefit of the municipalities and the surrounding area. It is anticipated that some buildings, concrete/asphalt roads and surfaces, the wharf and the rail yard will remain. The final determination on what will be left in place will depend on ongoing discussions among the parties (the EPA, GE, the property owners and the municipalities), the results of sampling, and the ability for the various components of the site to be decontaminated. The EPA has been informed that the Town and Village of Fort Edward are exploring opportunities for reuse of the site to support future economic development in the area.

David W. Kluesner
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

BSC Birthday Bash

The Sloop Club and friends got together on a lovely fall day to celebrate Cathy Berger’s 65th, Ferenc Bozso’s 70th, and Betty Harkin’s 80th (more than 40 of those years in the sloop club) birthday’s. Photo’s by Joyce Hanson.
Come Celebrate the Hudson River and Help Restore the Sloop Woody Guthrie!

Have fun! Eat! Drink! Listen to great live music! Make something amazing! Get a jump on your holiday shopping!

Make money! Enjoy the company of old friends and new!

It’s the perfect evening: on Saturday, November 21st from 6:00-9:00 at the Red Barn River Center on Long Dock Road in Beacon, The Beacon Sloop Club is sponsoring “Little Boxes,” a delightful art event to help raise funds to restore the Woody Guthrie.

Tickets are $25 and include a 3”x3” canvas on which you will create your interpretation of the Hudson River – whatever the river means to you! Return your finished canvas to us by Friday, November 20th and come to the party on Sunday.

Not any artist? Not a problem! Neither are we. This is a funraiser and a fundraiser. The idea is to be creative and join the fun. You just might surprise yourself! Your tiny masterpiece of ingenuity will be hung, along with all the other tiny masterpieces, at the Red Barn, waiting for you to show up and celebrate the Woody, your friends, and your imagination. There will be three $50 People’s Choice Awards: one for The Most Spectacular, one for The Most Creative, and one for The Funniest. You get to vote for each category.

But the fun has only just begun.

This event is also a silent auction. You set the starting bid for your canvas. Then each canvas will be auctioned off - the Woody gets half, and you get half. Plus, you get the opportunity to polish off all your holiday shopping before Black Friday even knows what hit it.

The ferry sloop Woody Guthrie was commissioned by Pete Seeger in 1978 as part of his dream to preserve, protect and restore the Hudson River, by making the river accessible to anyone who wants to sail. Now it needs major restoration to continue its mission of free sunset sails to the public. You can help!

Sound complicated? It’s easy. Here’s how it works: you purchase your ticket online at http://littleboxes.bpt.me/. Exchange your ticket for your canvas at either the RiverWinds Gallery at 172 Main Street or Main Street Music at 393 Main Street (both in Beacon). Want another canvas? Want ten? You can pick up extra canvases at either site for $5 each. You can enter as many canvases as you like. Let your imagination be your guide.

So mark your calendar, and join us for an evening of delicious finger foods and drinks from local Beacon establishments, live music and lots of fun and friendship.

Little Boxes at the Red Barn. Be there, and be square.

For more information, call 845-527-8671 or 845-463-4660.

CAJUN HOLIDAY DANCE PARTY with Krewe de la Rue. Sun., Dec 6, 3-7pm

This dance will benefit both The Beacon Food Pantry & the Beacon Sloop Club. Lessons in basics of two-step and waltz. Gumbo, Jambalaya and other refreshments available. Please come and have a great time and support these worthy causes! Bring your friends! At St. Luke’s, 850 Wolcott Ave, Beacon, NY, Admission $20. Info: 914 907-4928
## Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report

Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth
Tuesday, October 27, 2015

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**Opening Balance**: 220361.77

**Closing Balance**: 221506.87

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**MOVIES THAT MATTER BEACON**

**In Our Son’s Name**

An intimate portrait of Phyllis and Orlando Rodriguez, whose son, Greg, dies with thousands of others in the World Trade Center.

**Friday, Nov. 27, 7:30-10:00pm**

Doors open 7:00pm

**First Presbyterian Church of Beacon,**
**McKinley Hall,**
**50 Liberty St., Beacon, NY 12508**

Special guest: Phyllis Rodriguez
Light Refreshments
Free Admission
Info: (845) 838-2415, (914) 907-4928

Co-sponsors of film series: First Presbyterian Church of Beacon, The Peace Awards Foundation, Beacon Independent Film Festival, Southern Dutchess NAACP

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**Thank You Simone for all your support**

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**106.5 IN BEACON**
Executive Committee meeting, Tues. Nov. 24th
7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting, Dec. 4th – potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m

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

Woody Maintenance, Shipwright workshop w/ Wayne Ford, Sun. Nov. 15, 10 am – 2pm, HRMM, Kingston NY

Harbor Work Party, Sat. Nov. 21, 8:00 am at the waterfront.

BSC Firewood Stacking Party, Sat. Nov 21, 8:15am at BSC, 8:30, 10 min drive to 93 Mountain Lane Beacon

Little Boxes- a “Fun-Raiser”, Sat. Nov. 21, 6:00-9:00 pm, Scenic Hudson’s River Center (red barn), Long Dock Park, Beacon

Movies That Matter, Beacon – In Our Son’s Name, Fri. Nov. 27, 7:30-10:00 pm, First Presbyterian Church of Beacon, 50 Liberty Street, Beacon, NY

Peekskill to Paris Global Climate Rally, Sat. Nov. 28, 1:00-3:00 pm, Peekskill Riverfront.

Cajun Holiday Dance Party w/ Krewe de la Rue, Sun. Dec. 6, 3:00-7:00 pm, St. Luke’s Parish House, 850 Wolcott Ave., Beacon

We have new Beacon Sloop Club hats in two stylish colors. They are 100% cotton, high quality six-panel construction, with 5999 stitch embroidered logo, and made in the USA.

Available at Sloop Club events at the low member price of $20.

Nominees for 2016 Club Officers

President: James Malchow, Steve Schwartz
Vice president: Sarah Elisabeth, Saul Rozinsky, Steve Schwartz
Treasurer: Sarah Elizabeth, Aaron Verdile
Secretary: Gail Moran, Joyce Hanson

Nominations remain open and will be accepted at the December meeting prior to voting.

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

A Woody Guthrie ‘Fun-raiser’

A Little Art Show and Auction

Artist’s Reception
&
People’s Choice Awards:

Saturday, November 21st
6:00-9:00 pm
Scenic Hudson’s River Center
(Red Barn)
Long Dock Park, Beacon NY

Purchase advance tickets online at:

http://littleboxes.bpt.me/

$15