Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 45 Years

A Message from Our President

“Volunteers help drive our country’s progress, day in and day out, they make extraordinary sacrifices to expand promise and possibility.” - Barack Obama

It may be hard work, but it’s always good work. Between festivals and the Woody, Sloop Club volunteers have had a busy, successful summer.

Corn Fest was well attended, with inspiring music, food, crafts and activists. The E Tent has been especially lively this season, with zooplankton and other fascinating river critters to visit.

The Woody has been sailing all summer with full boatloads of guests eager to experience the wonders of the Hudson River. At the Garrison Art Fest, the Woody took out over 100 guests in two days, and crew had the opportunity to learn a different reach of the Hudson and hone their docking and anchoring skills. Making the river accessible to the public is at the heart of our mission. Come sail with us, and find out why!

Saturday after our monthly meeting was our second New Roof Party, and our first official Saturday Woody Work Party. Should nature call, you will now find yourself warm and dry in a freshly roofed multrum, with a lovely view of the Woody - its shrouds newly tightened (a bigger project than you might think), the new charging system installed, our coastguard registration number beautifully engraved down below and the deck freshly oiled to a rich glow. Altogether a successful day!

If you’d like an opportunity to volunteer this month, come join us as we march in the Spirit of Beacon Day Parade on Sunday, September 30.

We’ll be lining up on 9D south of Main Street at noon. It’s a fun event, always well-attended by the people of Beacon.

Clearwater needs our support more than ever! Bring a dish to share and join us at the Annual Meeting at the Red Barn on Saturday, September 29th at 9:30. Every voice counts!

Our October meeting will feature special guest speaker, Elizabeth Meyer-Gross, who has been spearheading a successful initiative to ban plastic bags in Westchester. A number of cities across the country have been successful in eliminating them - it would be a wonderful way for us to help restore and preserve our environment. See you then!

Inside this issue:
A new look for the Multrum, dinner on the river, prepping for pumpkin and much more….
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

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, September 7, 2017

Song: Solidarity
Start: 7:30pm, Susan Berliner presiding

Welcome by Susan

Treasurer’s report by Aaron: Report given for the month of July.

Woody Raffle/Dinner Cruise for 9/22: This meeting is your last moment to buy tickets. 9/22 will be two days from the full moon for six people with entertainer Rick Nestler. 1 ticket for $5; 3 for $10; and 8 for $20.

Corn Fest Post-event report: Rosemary said it was fabulous, including the corn bread contest. Bonnie complimented the chef of the salsa. Both thanked everyone who helped make the event great.

Building report by Tom S: Finishing the roof of the multrum tomorrow at 8:30am and hopefully cleanup done by noon.

Woody report by Steve S: We did the Corn Festival and Garrison Art Festival. Sailing program still ongoing five nights a week. Tomorrow (day after a meeting) we are having a Woody work party from 9am to 1pm. Sailors are obliged to put in 30 hours of maintenance time. We are hoping to get the new dock plug done tomorrow too. We should get new a sail cover in two weeks for $1540.

Upcoming Events
- Pumpkin Festival on 10/14: Rosemary gave a call for volunteers. We typically bake 150 pies. We are also going to have a pumpkin bread contest. Konstantin made flyers to be posted.
- Clearwater Pumpkin Day on 10/21: Clearwater is trying to put in their event the following Sunday. They are asking if we are interested in participating. They are planning music, painting pumpkins and pressing apples.
- Little Boxes on 11/17: Canvases are available now. The silent auction event will be at Scenic Hudson. The artist gets half and the Woody gets half. Konstantin and Alan made flyers with entry instructions. The Hudson River is the theme.

Multrum Heroes: Konstantin is September; Mary Arnold/Matt is October; Bonnie is November; Gail is December.

The club screened Bag It a movie about not using plastic bags. Next month, Elizabeth Myer Gross will be talking to us about banning plastic bags.

Raffle drawing: Mel won the raffle.

Announcements:
- Glen Miller is turning 80 this year. 9/20 will be contra-dances at St John in Poughkeepsie. 11/3 is an open house.
- Ferry Sloop invitation to Tom Chapin concert 9/21 at a Ferry Sloop discount ($30) – Code BSC. The information is on their website. The concert will be at Ossining campgrounds 7-10pm.
- Antony said the ambulance corps is looking for anyone who is looking to get rid of a trailer for a Christmas project. The trailer could be in any condition. If you have one, please contact Antony (AXTseng@gmail.com or 845-224-5146).
- Wayne Kocher talked about the Danskammer plant going online and the particulates in the air.
- Aaron is having a charitable given seminar on 10/17 at 6:30pm at 290 Main St.

Adjourn 9:40pm

A dining experience like no other.

Sunday, October 14, 2018 from 4 to 8pm
The Culinary Institute of America, Hyde Park

Co-host Chef Terrance Brennan and a team of celebrated local chefs will come together for a single night only to create a five-course tasting menu featuring the very best that Hudson Valley growers, ranchers, vintners and distillers have to offer.

https://chefsforclearwater.org

To show your support for Clearwater’s mission by placing an ad in the program:

https://chefsforclearwater.org/ad-kit-3/
Come Celebrate the Hudson River and Support 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 17th 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 Thursday, November 15th and come to the party on Saturday.

Not an artist? Not a problem! Neither are we. This is a fundraiser 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 – Woody gets half, and you get half. Plus, you get the opportunity to polish off all your holiday shopping in time to enjoy the rest of your holiday season!

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. For almost 40 years, the Woody has taken thousands of people for free sails on the river, but the years take a heavy toll on wooden boats. With your hard work and generous support, we completed the Woody’s restoration last September, but now we must raise money for winter maintenance 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 buy your canvas at Pumpkin Fest, at the next meeting or purchase a ticket online at http://littleboxes2018.bpt.me. Exchange your ticket for your canvas at the RiverWinds Gallery at 172 Main Street in Beacon. Want another canvas? Want ten? You can pick up extra canvases at either site for $5 each. 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.

Pumpkin Festival Call for Volunteers
October 13, 14

On Saturday we need people to help with:
Making dough balls
Rolling out crust
Pie Baking

On Sunday we need people for:
Set up
Pie Selling
Cream whipping
Soup and Chili
Stone Soup
Take down and cleanup
Membership and Merchandising
And
Many, Many, More tasks
Contact
Rosemary Thomas (845)463-4660
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Please come out and support the community and the Sloop Club and have a little fun down by the riverside.

The Woody Report

Congratulations to Mel Healy, winner of the Moonlight Dinner Sail, who generously gifted it to her friends.

Thank you to Joyce Hanson, John and Tam Benjamin and Alice Matthews for preparing the delicious meal, featuring, appetizers, salad, tamari and ginger marinated salmon and zucchini bread.

Thank you also to Steve Schwartz and his valiant crew, James, Metal, Steve and Gail for providing a wonderful experience for our guests.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Storm Barrier Comment Period Extended to Nov. 5

Online at:

Mail Comments to:
Nancy Brighton, Chief, Watershed Section,
Environmental Analysis Branch, Planning Division,
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,
26 Federal Plaza. Room 2151,
New York, NY 10279-0090

MOVIES THAT MATTER BEACON

Silent Snow
Guest Speaker Moki Kokoris, founder of 90-NORTH
Silent Snow follows a young Greenlandic woman on her journey around the world to find the local causes of the contamination that is quietly poisoning her people. Her journey takes her to three different continents, where she is confronted with conflicting interests when it comes to short-term gains and healthy solutions for agriculture, industries and health care.

Thurs., Sept. 27, 2018
Doors Open 7pm, Film 7:30pm
First Presbyterian Church of Beacon, McKinley Hall,
50 Liberty St., Beacon, NY 12508

Info: 845 838-2415, moviesthatmatterbeacon.org
Executive Committee meeting, Tues., Sep. 25, 7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting, Oct. 5 – potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m.

Movies that Matter Beacon – Silent Snow, Thurs. Sept. 27, 7:30 pm, First Presbyterian Church of Beacon, 50 Liberty St.

Clearwater Annual Meeting, Sat. Sept. 29. 9:30 – 1:00 at Scenic Hudson’s River Center

Woody Work Party, Sat. Oct. 6, 9:00 am

Pumpkin Festival, - Pie Baking, Sat. Oct. 13, 9:00 am - done


Chefs for Clearwater, Sun. Oct. 14, 4pm - pm, Culinary Institute of America, Hyde Park, NY

Annual Watershed Conference 2018 hosted by Hudson River Watershed Alliance, Tues. Oct. 23, 9:00 am, Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library & Home (4079 Albany Post Road Hyde Park, NY 12538)

Little Boxes – Art Show and Funraiser, Sat. Nov. 17, 6:00-9:00 pm, at the Red Barn, Long Dock, Beacon

Come Show Your Spirit! at the Spirit of Beacon Day Parade

Sunday, September 30
Line up at 12:30 pm
At Main St and 9D
The Parade begins at 1:00 pm
We have a Float this Year!
Looking forward to a great turnout

Anyone wishing to join a Woody crew can contact any captain or Jim Birmingham to sign up. No experience is required. We will train you.

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