



## Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 53 Years

### A Message from Our President

Autumn! It's when nature dresses our fair valley in the vibrant colors of the season. Perhaps the best way to mark this majestic natural transition is to visit the Beacon Sloop Club's Pumpkin Festival. Rosemary Thomas, Patricia Finnerty and a team of skilled and dedicated volunteers are preparing for a glorious autumnal celebration, scheduled for Sunday, October 16th from noon to 5pm at Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park. The festival will feature sailing on the Woody, live music from two stages, vendors, educational exhibitions and delicious food such as hot dogs, chili and pumpkin pie. All are welcomed.

Sailing on the Hudson River aboard the Woody Guthrie is another way to observe this fleeting phase of the calendar. To sail on the Hudson aboard the Woody in September and October is to be enchanted by vistas of ever-changing foliage and to enjoy the cool, crisp breezes of the fall. We tip our hat to our stellar captains and stalwart crewmembers for another outstanding sailing season. After the Pumpkin Festival, the Woody will be nestled into her winter home in Haverstraw.

"She was a force of nature." That is how speakers repeatedly described Connie Hogarth during her memorial service on October 2nd. Friends, family, disciples, collaborators and admirers filled our clubhouse to pay tribute to this remarkable woman. "Our activist grandmother", was what one of her Manhattanville students called her. There were many stirring testaments and beautiful songs, but everyone seemed to agree that the best way to honor Connie is to carry on her mission.

October 18th marks the 50th anniversary of the landmark Clean Water Act of 1972. Celebrating this milestone is a reminder to continue the efforts of those who came before us. Ross Hogarth may have expressed this best in his remembrance of his mother, Connie. In quoting George Bernard Shaw, he observed:

*Life is no brief candle for me. It is a sort of splendid torch, which I have got hold of for the moment and I want to burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations.*

Rob

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Pumpkin pie and free sails, 50 years and more to do, NY voting for the environment and much more.....



**NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING Wednesday, October 26, 7:00 p.m.**

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING Friday, November 4, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.**

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Household Membership donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like information on Clearwater Membership?  I would like to help with \_\_\_\_\_

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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](http://www.beaconsloopclub.org).

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## Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, October 7, recorded by Vicki Fox

Ken Miller, Bonnie Champion and Rob May opened us with Ken's lovely song, "My Hudson River".

President Rob welcomed us and thanked our recent multrum volunteers: Betsy, James and Mary. Gail Moran has volunteered to maintain the multrum this month.

Aaron Verdile presented the **Treasury Report**. Bottom line, we had \$6828 in income and \$3288 in expenses in August. Purim pointed out that the public should understand that all kinds of expenses, especially the hours of volunteer labor, are not included in the report.

Patricia Finnerty and Rosemary Thomas gave the **Pumpkin Festival Report**. The festival is Sunday, October 16. Patricia is organizing piecrust rolling for about 100 pies starting at 9am October 15 at David and Maggie's. Bring your own rolling pin if you can. Volunteers will learn not only how to roll out the crust, but how to get it into the pan and beautifully crimp the edges. Other volunteers are also needed. James Malchow needs help setting up at the park Sunday morning. Meet him there at about 10. Maggie is coordinating hot dogs, Patricia cider, Alan Thomas chili (Steve Schwartz is bringing a gas stove and cylinder), and Beth Partridge is overseeing the pie tent. The pie tent needs four people: one to serve, one to make whipped cream, and two to slice, plate, and garnish. If you are interested, meet Beth at 10. We also need volunteers for Earth Care set-up and to help take everything down after 5pm. Another volunteer is needed to liaison with vendors. That volunteer should arrive by 9am.

Rosemary exhibited beautiful new banners saying Chili, Pumpkin Pie, Environmental Tent, and Pay Here. We are using food tickets with a ticket booth this year. Susan Berliner announced that Constantine made Pumpkin Festival flyers. Club members took the flyers to post. Constantine will also do an inventory of Pumpkin Festival T-shirts and help James bring the pies over from the bakery.

The **Woody** is in great shape, reports Captain Steve. We've had fewer guests lately due to the cooler, darker weather. The last sails are this week, then at the Pumpkin Fest. On Monday, crews will begin derigging. On Sunday, October 23 a work party will prepare the Woody for transit down to Haverstraw for winter storage. All unneeded gear will be brought to the Settlement Camp for the winter. Though it should be a fairly easy transition to winterizing, we will have to wait until the first week of November to have good currents for our transit. There will also be a work party the first weekend in November down in Haverstraw to erect the shed and put the tarp on the boat. Unfortunately, when we hauled out and painted the Woody this summer, the painting supplies were put back haphazardly so we will probably also need a work party to organize our space at the Settlement Camp to accept the Woody gear. Work parties generally start at 10 in the morning.

The executive committee recommended that our **annual donation to Clearwater** this year should be \$2000. This was so moved, seconded, and passed unanimously by the members.

**Clearwater** has had a full schedule of sailing this autumn. They are still facing financial difficulties, but they are getting stronger. Unfortunately, their annual meeting this year coincides with our pie prep day. The Hike for the Hudson was a fundraiser for Clearwater, and the BSC team raised the most money of any team. One BSC team member was *the* top fundraiser: Joyce Hanson raised \$1339 for Clearwater!

The Clearwater will be doing two sails during Pumpkin. Also, that day, the Apollonia will be delivering pumpkins - at the only dock they are allowed at, in Long Dock Park.

Tom LaBarr presented the **Environmental Report**. First, said Tom, "At Pumpkin Fest, I request that you bring your own beverage containers. Please don't buy those tiny plastic containers of water. We'll have big jugs of water on hand so you can refill your own."

Alan Zollner offered to loan us River Pool's 5-gallon water jugs. Tom will fill them with pure well water from his house.

Secondly, said Tom, home-heating. "Do you know which is most polluting? Wood! Then coal, oil, natural gas. Electricity is the best, especially if it comes from wind, hydro or solar. But the first thing to do is insulate!" Go to 6 inches in the wall and 18 inches in the attic and insulate between the floors. Open your thermal curtains for solar heat in the daytime and close them at night. Electrical heat pumps, especially using a ground source, are great.

Wayne Kocher cautioned that some outside air exchange is needed to prevent buildup of carbon monoxide. Nancy Farren pointed out that experts can visit your house and suggest deep energy retrofits.

John McLaughlin reminded us of the election November 8 and the need to "turn over your ballots!" On the back is an environmental bond issue to fund NYS's environmental needs -- vote FOR it.

Wayne's Climate Action Coalition of New Paltz has bought a number of stacking stainless steel "tiffin" containers meant for carrying home your restaurant leftovers so you can avoid receiving yet another plastic container. He had only brought one to the meeting and lots of people wanted to buy it. He auctioned it off with the proceeds going to the Club and promised to bring more to the meeting next month.

Wayne also encouraged people to pick one or two days a week to not drive their cars, as the Hudson Valley is getting increasingly crowded and air quality is worsening.

Mary Poppiins is selling her pumpkin hats for \$20, but for any bought at the meeting tonight, she would donate the money to the Club.

Mary Arnold announced her October 15 concert at the Poughkeepsie Unitarian Fellowship.

Rob announced a donation of Pete Seeger stamps and Woody Guthrie DVD's. It was agreed they be auctioned off at the Pumpkin Fest.

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## New York’s Clean Water, Clean Air, and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act of 2022

This legislation provides \$4.2 billion in funding to address a wide variety of environmental issues, from protecting drinking water to preservation of open space, from mitigation of the impacts of climate change to advancing environmental justice, while providing nearly 100,000 jobs.

Implementation of the provisions will only happen if approved by the voters. We urge everyone to learn more about it and remember to flip the ballot over and vote. Election Day is Nov. 8. The last day to request an absentee ballot is Oct. 24 and early voting begins Oct 29.

The legislation may be found here:  
<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/ENV/A58>

### The Clean Water Act turned 50

Federal Water Pollution Control Act, known as the Clean Water Act, became law on Oct. 18, 1972, when the house overrode Richard Nixon’s veto 247-23.

Many of you know that the Clearwater sailed to Washington to advocate and testify for this bill.

The Clean Water Act is the primary federal law governing water pollution. Its objective is to restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of the nation's waters. The law covers all waters with a "significant nexus" to "navigable waters", a definition subject to differing interpretations.

While a landmark to be celebrated, many of the act’s original goals are yet to be met and many ecologically significant areas are not covered. There is much left to do!

### The Woody Update



Photo by Andy Fairbanks

We had many happy guests who joined captains Steve and James, and the festival crew for our pumpkin sails. Sadly, the Pumpkin Festival marked the end of the sailing season and derigging has begun.

Our crews will be meeting on their regular nights to start ready the boat for transit to her winter home in Haverstraw. There will be weekend work as well.

If you are a new sailor, or just looking to get involved, this is a great time to volunteer. Sometimes there is more to learn by taking the boat apart than by sailing her.

## Pumpkin 2022

To quote Rosemary, “What an amazing festival!! Hats off to the Beacon Sloop Club!! Wow!!” To the best of my knowledge the first pumpkin festival was in 1972, which would have made this the 50<sup>th</sup>, if not for Covid.

With great weather, a great crowd, and of course, great volunteers, it was a wonderful community event. Thank you to all of you who setup, took down, sold, educated, served, sailed, performed, planned, and did all those little tasks that brought this together.



**The Beacon Sloop Club, inc.**  
**Profit and Loss**  
 August 2022

	<u>Total</u>
<b>Income</b>	
Contribution, Gifts, Grants	295.75
Woody Nickles	9.75
<b>Total Contribution, Gifts, Grants</b>	<b>\$ 305.50</b>
<b>Corn Festival</b>	
Corn	3,531.25
Lemonade	1,436.50
Raffle	20.00
Vendor	410.00
<b>Total Corn Festival</b>	<b>\$ 5,397.75</b>
Gross Sales of Inventory	672.00
<b>Total Gross Sales of Inventory</b>	<b>\$ 672.00</b>
Investment Income	15.38
Interest-Money Market	5.65
<b>Total Investment Income</b>	<b>\$ 21.03</b>
<b>Membership</b>	
Paypal	267.00
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>\$ 267.00</b>
<b>Pumpkin Festival</b>	
Vendor	110.00
<b>Total Pumpkin Festival</b>	<b>\$ 110.00</b>
<b>Strawberry Festival</b>	
Vendor	55.00
<b>Total Strawberry Festival</b>	<b>\$ 55.00</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 6,828.28</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$ 6,828.28</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>Bank Expense</b>	
Paypal	29.87
<b>Total Bank Expense</b>	<b>\$ 29.87</b>
<b>Corn Expense</b>	
Chili	270.00
Corn	817.48
Eco-supplies	1,037.85
Electric & Water	150.00
Park Fee	300.00
Peaches/lemons	237.51
<b>Total Corn Expense</b>	<b>\$ 2,812.84</b>
<b>Facilities</b>	
Festival	119.22
<b>Total Facilities</b>	<b>\$ 119.22</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	
Website	19.39
<b>Total Other Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 19.39</b>
Printing, etc.	
Postage, Mailing Service	232.00
<b>Total Printing, etc.</b>	<b>\$ 232.00</b>
Strawberry Expense	75.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,288.32</b>
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,539.96</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,539.96</b>
<b>Opening Cash Balance 8/1/2022</b>	<b>\$ 115,412.17</b>
<b>Closing Cash Balance 8/31/2022</b>	<b>\$ 118,952.13</b>
<b>Change in Investment Value</b>	<b>-693.48</b>
<b>Total Balance 8/31/2022</b>	<b>\$ 118,258.65</b>
<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>\$ 94,366.84</b>
<b>Restricted (total)*</b>	<b>\$ 23,891.81</b>
<b>B &amp; S Rozinsky Fund 8/31/2022</b>	<b>\$ 19,548.19</b>
<b>Board designated funds</b>	<b>\$ 10,004.56</b>



**Thank You to Simone and Rosa!**  
 We couldn't have done it without you.



**CLEARWATER'S**  
**HIKE for the HUDSON**



**Thank you to our adventurous hikers!**  
 The Beacon Sloop Club team raised \$1339.30 for Clearwater's education programs. Joyce Hanson was the leading individual fundraiser, bringing in \$624. Gail Moran was the overall individual leader in minutes hiked.  
 And it was fun! Let's do it again next year.



## Current Calendar

### **BSC Executive Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, October 26  
7:00 – 8:30pm  
**At the Clubhouse**



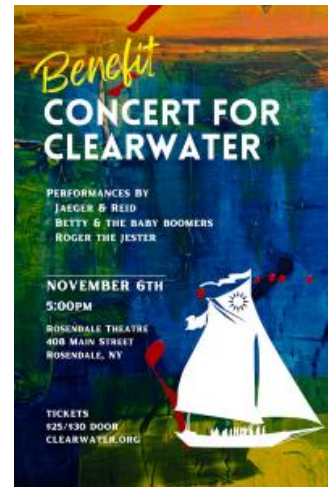
### **Beacon Sloop Club Membership Meeting**

Friday, November 4, 6:30 – 10:00pm  
At the clubhouse

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

### **Benefit Concert for Clearwater**

Sunday, November 6, 2022  
5:00 pm – 6:00 pm  
Rosendale Theatre  
408 Main Street, Rosendale, NY



### **Walkabout Coffeehouse Concert**

-Joe Jenks  
Nov 12 @ 7:00 pm  
Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation  
468 Rosedale Ave, White Plains, NY 10605

### **Thank you again to our Volunteers**

#### **For:**

- Making dough balls
- Rolling out crust
- Baking pies
- Set up
- Pie Selling
- Cider
- Hot Dogs
- Cream whipping
- Soup and Chili
- Sailing
- Environmental education
- Earthcare
- Pumpkin sales
- Sound
- Planning and coordinating
- Take down and cleanup
- Membership and Merchandising
- And
- Many, Many, More tasks, big and small



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

For more info about the BSC: [www.beaconsloop.org](http://www.beaconsloop.org), or [www.beaconsloopclub.org](http://www.beaconsloopclub.org)