Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 41 Years

A Message from Our President

September in the Hudson Valley! This could be the best weather of the year. The Sun is bright, the temperature is just right and the air is dry. It's time to think about peaches, apples and pumpkins, while tomatoes and sweet corn are still on the farm stands.

What a beautiful time of year to stand up and walk for the future of our planet. Next weekend will be the Climate March. It is going to be a big event in New York City. The Beacon Sloop Club will be marching with the Clearwater group. The plan is to have the folks from up and down the Hudson valley meet on the Metro North train and ride down together.. By the time the train reaches Croton, we expect a large group of friends riding down to the city together to join the march.

A few short weeks later is our annual Pumpkin Festival. As usual, we'll be baking and selling some of the best pumpkin pie you ever tasted, along with Stone Soup and other treats. These festivals require a lot of effort and there is no better time to get out in the early fall air and pitch in with the BSC.

We are still waiting for up-to-date, written estimates on repairing or rebuilding the Woody. We recently passed a financial milestone, with over \$200,000 raised.

Setting aside the money we need for our annual operating budget, we are probably in the 2/3 area of the money we need to get the boat sailing again. The next step is to see the "price tags" for the alternative approaches, choose a path forward, and complete our fund raising work.

Fair winds and pleasant skies! Saul.

Inside this issue:

Hot buttered corn and, marching for the planet, Pete, Woody & Lee, it's pumpkin time, and much, much more..



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, September 23rd 7:00 p.m. –NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, October 3rd 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

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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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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

Susan Berliner

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Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, September 5, 2014

The meeting began at 7:30 with Michael Scolnick leading the club in singing "The MTA."

Saul Rozinsky welcomed first time attenders from Beacon. Sarah Elisabeth gave the Treasury Report. The opening balance was \$199,772 and the closing balance was \$204,484.

Jim Birmingham gave the Woody Report. Jim said we are trying to gather as much information as is available before the Executive Committee bring a choice to the membership.

Tom LaBarr announced that the Woody Dinner will be in February, so start saving.

David Eberle gave the Building Committee report. THe multrum was pumped and it's working well with the newly installed fan. Additional building work is being planned for the fall.

Mel Healy reported on Clearwater. The annual meeting is going to be held soon and the Board of Directors ballots were sent out. Mel noted that two Beacon Sloop Club members are on the ballot. Saul Rozinsky said that in the past, Clearwater board members were responsible for large donations or fundraising. Several people spoke commented that things are changing at Clearwater and said they are energized and excited by the positive changes. It was asked for all those present who are Clearwater members to raise their hands. By the Secretary's observation, more than half of the room raised their hand. Mel announced that the Annual Meeting is on September 27 at 10:00 and there will be a Sloop Club Congress afterward. Mel asked for the club to appoint a designated representative to the Congress. Several club members agreed to attend.

Saul Rozinsky said the club traditionally donates \$1000 to Clearwater at its Annual Meeting when the club's charter as a sloop club is renewed. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$1500 this year. Several club members commented on the motion. Mel Healy said a larger donation would reflect a desire to improve relations between the two groups. James Malchow said \$1000 does not even cover the cost of the free sail Clearwater gives the club. Betty Harkins said the club earns the sail through all the work that it does. Bruce Wilson said that a \$1500 donation may be a burdensome precedent. Bonnie Champion said that we need money for the Woody and \$1000 is still a lot of money. Connie Hogarth suggested donating \$1000 and passing a hat for additional donations. Steve Schwartz said that if the club had two sails a year, one could be used as a fundraiser for the club and possibly for Clearwater as well. Gail Moran said that the \$1000 we donate is not as valuable or meaningful as it was years ago. Joyce Hanson said the club needs the other \$500. Wayne Kocher said we need the \$500 now but can reconsider in the future. A vote was held and the motion failed. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$1000 to Clearwater. The motion passed. Susan Bozso offered to bring the club's check to the meeting.

Connie Hogarth discussed the People's Climate March and asked for the club to officially support the march. A motion to support the march was made, seconded, and approved unanimously. Details of the march were discussed. A motion was made for the club to march with Clearwater and carry the club banner. The motion passed. Additional announcements regarding the march were made.

Saul and Dan Rozinsky announced a film showing of an interview of Edward Snowden by Daniel Ellsberg at the clubhouse on September 18 at 7:30.

Dan Rozinsky moved that the club support striking fast food workers across the country. The motion carried.

Dan Searles suggested that the club collectively ride the ferry to Newburgh and back before the October meeting as a chance to get out on the water together. A motion to do so was approved.

Rosemary Thomas discussed the Spirit of Beacon Day September 28th. The club is marching in the parade.

Rosemary also reminded the club that the Pumpkin Festival is October 12 and pie baking is October 11. Gigi Fris is making Stone Soup and asked for members to bring vegetable broth.

Joyce Hanson announced that on November 1 is a Cajun Dance hosted jointly by the sloop club and the Beacon Food Pantry.

Bonnie Champion and others passed a get well card for Frances Cott.

Announcements

Josh Kogan announced that on September 7 is a paper boat flotilla in Newburgh.

Lydia Adams Davis announced a concert at the Free Newburgh Library on September 13.

Sarah Elisabeth announced the Sacred Earth Festival on September 7.

Mel Healy announced that on September 20 Clearwater is having a sunset seine and sing-along at Esopus Meadows.

Steve Miller offered to plant milkweed at the waterfront. Wayne Kocher announced a performance by the Caravan Stage Company in Peekskill on September 6 and 7.

The meeting ended at 8:50 p.m.

Clearwater 2014 Annual Gathering Saturday, September 27, 10:00AM -2:00PM University Settlement Camp, Beacon, NY

Annual Gathering will take place at The Theatre on the University Settlement Camp property in Beacon, NY – next to the Clearwater offices.

Agenda (*Please note that all times are approximate*)

- 10:00AM: Meet, coffee, potluck
- 10:30AM: Introductions
- 11:00 –11:45AM: Jeff Haynes and the Storm King project
- 11:45AM: Meet the Candidates Ballot box closes at noon
- Noon –1:30PM: Ongoing Board of Directors Meeting, Sloop Club Charters
- 1:30PM: Closing Songs
- 2:00PM: Sloop Club Congress Meeting

For more information about Annual Gathering, contact Linda Richards at Linda@Clearwater.org.

CORN FESTIVAL

Thank you to the corn huskers, the trash pickers, to the corn cookers, the watermelon slicers, the chili cooks, the basket packers, to the singers of songs, the educators, the roustabouts, the trailer pullers, to the sound people, the vendor minders, the organizers, the merchandisers, and everyone else who made it all come together.

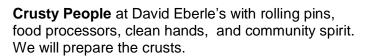


Pumpkin Volunteers



Saturday October 11, Sunday October 12

Saturday Pie Baking:



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 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.

Stone Soup: organic vegetable broth. Contact Gigi for questions.

On Saturday, 9/13 at 1:00 at the Beacon Sloop Club there's going to be a sign making party for people who want to bring signs with them to the People's Climate March.

Sign making supplies, poster board, fabric, cardboard, paints and markers will be provided but I might not have enough for everyone, so please bring whatever materials you have available! Come one, come all!

There will be refreshments, too!

Remember the rules for the march are:

We will use no violence (physical or verbal) towards any person.

We will not destroy or damage property.

We will promote a tone of respect, honesty, transparency, and accountability in our actions.

We will not carry anything that can be construed as a weapon, nor possess (or consume) any alcohol or drugs.

We will all hold each other accountable to respecting these agreements

Fracking and the Proposed Hudson Valley Oil Pipelines Are Dangerous: How We Can Oppose Them?

When we were approached by Pilgrim Pipeline Company and asked to sign a survey permission to have our property surveyed for possible future fracked petroleum products being piped through, we declined. Many of the ancient and present peoples of the South American Andean regions of such countries as Peru, Argentina, and Bolivia believe in Pachamama, the Earth/Time Inca goddess who in their mythology personifies the Earth. She presides over the planting and harvesting and causes earthquakes if feels disrespected. Our earth is being disrespected. We can protect our earth by opposing fracking and from the oil and gas products being shipped through the Hudson Valley. Fracking is dangerous, and so are the pipelines, trains, and the barges that carry fracked products.

Fracking depletes clean water resources as millions of gallons are needed for the process and toxic air emissions occur including radon (a known carcinogen) that can affect human D.N.A. and disrupt the human endocrine system. The pipelines that carry these substances could leak into our rivers, streams, and drinking sources. There could be explosions. There are few public inspectors to oversee the status of underground pipelines.

There are other issues regarding these pipeline companies. Pipeline companies have obtained federal tax breaks so there are lower federal revenues. Taxpayers pay into federal revenues. The pipeline industry uses the Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs) to avoid corporate income taxes, but wind and solar industries are excluded. The U.S. Internal Revenue Service excludes investments in renewable resources from qualifying as MLPs. Dr. Mark Jacobsen from Stanford University has done research with others that prove clean renewable energy (like wind mills, geothermal, solar, etc.) can power all of the U.S.

We can get involved by reading about fracking and pipelines. There are many on line sources such as Food And Water Watch. Join landowner groups such as the N.J./NY coalition against the Pilgrim pipeline Company. Don't allow anyone to survey your property even if part of it is under some public easement. Support candidates who promise to overhaul The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) laws regarding tax breaks for pipeline companies, granting the power of eminent domain, and increasing regulation and oversight to avoid more existing pipeline accidents, spills, and explosions.

On Thursday 9/18/14, the Beacon Institute for Rivers and Estuaries will host journalist Tom Wilbert who will discuss the status and future of fracking in New York State. The Institute is located at the Denning's Point Institute's Center.

Check on-line the Hudson Valley Riverkeepers to support their campaign against explosive oil products being shipped by railcar through our area.

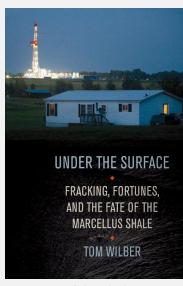
There will be petitions against Pilgrim Pipeline Company available at Sloop Club meetings, and the upcoming pumpkin festival. I am looking into inviting a speaker(s) to the Beacon Sloop Club in the future.

Nora H. Gallardo Beacon Sloop Club Member



Third Thursday at CEIE | Dialogue

On Under the Surface: Fracking, Fortunes, and the Fate of the Marcellus Shale



Based on his book *Under the Surface*, author-journalist <u>Tom Wilber</u> takes a 'big-picture' look at the facts on fracking with Hudson River environmentalist <u>John Cronin</u>.

A timely event with new developments on fracking which emerged this summer, the evening is designed for an informed and up-to-the minute dialogue with a 360 degree view of hydraulic fracturing. Tom Wilber, an award-winning journalist for his

coverage of the shale gas coverage issue, has been in the newspaper business for more than 20 years. Throughout the years he has covered business, health, and environment beats. In 2012, Wilber published his book *Under the Surface: Fracking, Fortunes, and the Fate of the Marcellus Shale*, receiving praise from publications like *Vanity Fair* and *Publisher's Weekly* and environmental leaders Cronin, *NY Times* "Dot Earth" blogger Andrew Revkin, among others.

Contact: Michael Heintzman 845 765-2721, mheintzman@bire.org

The Clearwater Welcomes the Sloop Club Aboard

We would like to thank Captain Annika Savio and the Clearwater crew for hosting the Beacon Sloop Club for a Saturday morning sail. It was great to be aboard the 'mother ship' again.



Spirit of Beacon Day Sunday September 28th (rain Date October 5th)



Once again the beacon Sloop Club will march in the Spirit of Beacon day parade. This is a great chance to show our support for the community and our spirit.

We will be lining up along Wolcott Ave (Rte. 9D) at the base of Main St. before 11:00. We will send out details when we have our marching order. Let's get a good showing this year! Contact: Rosemary Thomas, 845-463-4660, rmthomas99@yahoo.com



Pete, Woody, & Lee

Thank you to David and Jacob Bernz, Guthrie's Ghost, Dan Einbender, Phil Ciganer, and Joyce Hanson for organizing this wonderful fundraising

concert at the Towne Crier. We had a packed house for their musical tribute to Pete Seeger, Woody Guthrie, and Lee Hays.

We are so fortunate to have such a wonderful new venue in town and for Phil's generosity in making it available to us for multiple events.

Thank you again to all the musicians, to the volunteers, and all who came out to support the club.

Daniel Ellsberg speaks with Edward Snowden



Thurs. Sept.18
7:30 PM
Film Night
At the
Beacon Sloop Club



In modern history the power of the government has come to be tempered by the actions of a courageous few. Mass media calls them whistleblowers.

Daniel Ellsberg blew the whistle on the Pentagon's decision process leading to the Vietnam War. Forty years later Edward Snowden revealed the extent and nature of the NSA's surveillance of American citizens.

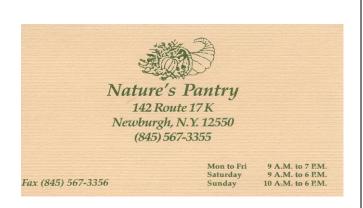
Please join us for a conversation between these two American citizens as they discuss government transparency across the generation gap.

... the quintessential American whistleblower, and a personal hero of mine, Leaks are the lifeblood of the republic and, for the first time, the American public has been given the chance to debate democratically the NSA's mass surveillance programs.- D. Ellsberg

		Beacon	Sloop Club	Treasury Rep	ort			
		Sub	mitted by Sa	rah Elisabeth				
Tuesday, August 26, 2014								
				Woody &	Festival &			
BSC General Fund	Amount	Snailmail	Paypal	Small Boats	Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Broad Old River 2 Project	203.00			203.00				
Donation	420.06			420.06				
Save Our Sloop	1002.00			1002.00				
Corn Festival	4922.70				4922.70			
Vendor	355.00				355.00			
Membership	979.48	954.48	25.00					
Total	7882.24							
City of Beacon	-2091.22				-2091.22			
Corn Festival	-159.80				-159.80			
Safeco	-295.00							-295.00
Central Hudson	-76.18							-76.18
Broadside	-169.22					-169.22		
Solar Trailer	-162.50				-162.50			
Strawberry Festival	-216.00				-216.00			
Total	-3169.92							
Total Net Income	4712.32	954.48	25.00	1625.06	2648.18	-169.22	0.00	-371.18
Opening Balance	199772.66		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Closing Balance	204484.98							



106.5 IN BEACON







LET'S GO DOWN TOGETHER FROM THE LOWER HUDSON VALLEY, BEACON SLOOP CLUB, CLEARWATER, MIDHUDSON PROGRESSIVE ALLIANCE, NAACP, IPSEC, CITIZEN ACTION...AND EVERYONE!

Plan: Meet on the first three cars (or more, as needed)of Metro North, Hudson division .

Time: 8:54 out of Poughkeepsie; 9:12 out of Beacon; 9:20 out of Cold Spring; 9:24 out of Garrison; 9:49 out of Croton.

Arrive Grand Central, 10:41.Meet at Ticket Booth .Enough time to take subway across town and up to COLUMBUS CIRCLE where the March begins at 11:30! Bring signs, banners (but nothing on wood)

The Beacon Sloop Club's

Rain or shine

Sunday, October 12th

Noon - 5:00 pm

Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, Beacon

HOMEMADE PUMPKIN PIE

Food

Children's Activities



Craft Vendors

Music

Two Solar Powered Stages

Stone Soup





Current Calendar

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

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting Oct 3rd– 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.

Sign Making for the People's Climate March, Sat, Sept. 13, 1:00pm, at the BSC Clubhouse.

Film Night – Daniel Ellsberg and Edward Snowden, Thurs. Sept. 18, 7:30 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse

Under the Surface: Fracking, Fortunes, and the Fate of the Marcellus Shale, Thurs. Sept. 18, 7:00 pm, BIRE CEIE at Dennings Point, Beacon NY

The People's Climate March, Sun., Sept. 21, 11:30 am, Columbus Circle, NYC NY

Clearwater Annual Meeting, Sat., Sept. 27, 10 am-2pm, The Theatre on the University Settlement Camp property in Beacon, NY

Sloop Club Congress, Sat., Sept. 27, 2pm, The Theatre on the University Settlement Camp property in Beacon, NY

Spirit of Beacon Day Parade, Sun. Sept. 28, 11:00 am, Main St., Beacon NY

Herbalist Walk with Sarah Elisabeth, Sat., Oct., 11, 10 a.m. CEIE at Denning's Point, 199 Denning's Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508



Winter Maintenance on the Woody Guthrie, contact a captain

Pumpkin Pie Baking and Festival prep, Sat. Oct. 11, David Eberle's House, 35 Slocum Rd., Beacon, NY

Pumpkin Festival, Sun. Oct. 12, noon-5pm, Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, Beacon

Geology Walk with Bill Prehoda, Sat., Oct., 25, 10 a.m., CEIE at Denning's Point, 199 Denning's Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508

Dance/Fundraiser - Hold the Date, Sat. Nov. 1

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

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