

Beacon Sloop Club

Broadside



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Serving Hudson River with Pride for 36 Years

A Message from Our President:

These past two years have certainly flown by. I'd like to thank everyone who has worked so hard and tirelessly to keep the club moving forward. I don't think we've ever had a more enthusiastic or able group of volunteers and leaders. In addition to our usual and longstanding program of festivals and sailing, we've added "off season" activities.

Thanks to the efforts of Edmund Fitzgerald and the environmental committee, we now have a Winter/Spring lecture series that has attracted capacity audiences.

The BSC cooperated on a new project, the Beacon Community Garden, which is bringing the economic and health benefits of self-grown produce to city residents.

We had a record year with our festivals and the Woody sailing program.

We also saw two members step up to fill important positions that had become vacant. Rosemary Thomas took over the job of Vendor Coordinator and coordinated a couple of festivals. She did such a fine job, that she is our new president!

Thanks also to Joyce Hanson who came forward to fill the vacancy as treasurer. This job is critical to the functioning of the club.

Joyce will be working with incoming Treasurer Sarah Elizabeth to provide continuity and smooth transition.

Welcome to Vane Lashua as Secretary.

And thanks again to everyone who is continuing in their positions and functions for the coming year.

See you at the river.
Saul.

Inside this issue:

BOR2 comes to the club, Holiday Sing line up, a friend in need, and much more....



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, December 22nd, 7:00 p.m.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, January 1st, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

BSC Membership Form

Name _____ Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____ - _____ Phone _____ - _____ - _____ Email _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____ . _____ Renewal _____ New Member _____

Are you a Clearwater member? _____ Would you like information regarding a Clearwater membership? _____

Would you prefer to receive your newsletter in printed format or in e-mail format? _____

Please include your e-mail address if you want your newsletter e-mailed to you.

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 waved.

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

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 each month (early submissions are much appreciated) to acthoma@yahoo.com

**Input requiring scanning must be in 1 week in advance
To: Alan Thomas PO Box 430, Hughsonville, NY 12537**

Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting Minutes, December 4, 2009

The meeting was called to order by outgoing President Saul Rozinsky, who was all smiles. I think he plans to call the President elect at midnight and turn over all responsibilities. It has been a great year and we will miss Saul but look forward to a new President.

Visitors were welcomed.

The home of Fran Sansone burned to the ground. She is living in a cabin at Cozy Lake NJ, but it needs some work to make it livable. A call was made for help, light carpentry, clean up, Bring tools for Wood chopping, sawing, hack sawing metal cutters for wire fences. Work parties will be organized Saturday (5, and 12) and Sunday (6 and 13). Address is 41 Lyons Rd, Oak Ridge, NJ 07438 Phone is 845-542-8085. Let's all help a friend in need.

Julie Edwards a 10year Clearwater crew member has cancer and needs surgery, but has no insurance.

A motion was made and seconded to pass the hat to help these two deserving people. A total of \$354 dollars was collected and will be split between Fran and Julie.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce Hanson

Treasurer's report was presented by our outgoing treasurer who stepped in mid-year and did a great job. Thanks Joyce. Our Current Balance is \$39,385.

Woody Report: Jim Birmingham

Jim is remaining as head of the Captains committee. The Woody is out of the water and a cover frame has been constructed but no tarp has been added. Although the Woody is generally in good shape, the Captains committee put in a request for several smaller repairs totally about \$45,000.

Rick Price Mural

We have accepted a matching grant for \$750 from the Claire Lou Gold Fund. With other donations we only need \$250 to pay off mural. Rick Price and Gigi Fris have made poster sized reproductions to sell, unframed \$20, framed \$30.

Art Donation:

Russell Cusick presented a panoramic mural of the Henry Hudson Quadricentennial Flotilla on the Hudson River near West Point. He donated the mural to the club. Maybe this is the beginning out a Beacon Sloop Club Art Galley.

Building Committee:

We are continuing to try to reach the point of zero waste in the Club. To accomplish this we need people to clean up after the pot luck and take out what they brought in, including empty containers. We also suggest that people bring their own dinner wear. Any accumulated needs to be removed as we have no trash pick-up. Please take home a bag of trash once in a while.

The Multrum has been professionally cleaned. We will be doing some modification over the next two months to improve the Multrum.

One new light fixture was installed. Evaluations will be made to determine what type of bulb will be used. We will try to offer a selection at the next meeting for members to evaluate.

Sloop Club Holiday Sing: Sue Altkin

Organized by our own David Bernz is Friday December 11th at 8PM a sing up sheet was passed around for members to volunteer to help with the event. Please bring a donation of Canned or Pre-packed food for the Beacon Food Pantry! And bring some finger food or desert to be shared.

Environmental Committee:

Winter Environmental series 2nd Saturday of each month.

January 8th Open

February 12th Brian Reed "Ice Sailing on the Hudson"

March 12th Raul Maloalieu "Revolutionary war Privateers"

April 9th Open

If you have any suggestions for speakers please call Edmond Fitzgerald

Elections

Rosemary Thomas was elected president

Claudine Craig was re-elected vice-president

Vane Lashua was elected secretary

Sarah Elizabeth was elected treasurer

Congratulations to our new officers

Announcements:

Jacob Burns announced the Meeting of the **Something to Say Café** on Jan 30 7PM at the sloop club. Come see what a talented group of teenagers can do. See the next generation of folk musicians.

There will be a **andlelight vigil** Saturday December 12th at 5:30 Pm beginning at the Bank Square Coffee house at the West end of Main Street. We are showing solidarity with the UN Climate Conference in Copenhagen.

An **anti-war protest rally** will be held in New Paltz Saturday at the Ames Plaza Sunday at 6Pm at Village Hall a there will be a pot luck supper followed by a talk on the Latin American Indigent Movement by Heraldo Enrique.

Executive meeting report:

A motion was made and passed to train the new Treasurer on Quicken to make recording our finances easier.

A motion was made and passed to computerize the membership process to make data retrieval easier. This will allow us to develop a membership program. Kevin Hayden is in charge of this conversion.

A motion was made and passed to replace the current light fixtures with new fixtures with a clear glass globe and two bulbs in order to improve the lighting in the club house.

Budget requests are to be reviewed and prioritized at the next Ex. meeting.

The Meeting was adjourned

David Eberle

Signing off after three years, the next report will be submitted by Vane Lashua.

Merry Christmas to all and to all a good night

**Link to the DEC Supplemental Generic
Environmental Impact Statement on the Oil,
Gas and Solution Mining Regulatory Program:**
<http://www.dec.ny.gov/energy/47554.html>

Submitting a written comment

Written comments will be accepted by DEC through December 31, 2009. Submit comments through [online submission system](#), via [email](#), or traditional mail (Attn: dSGEIS Comments, Bureau of Oil & Gas Regulation, NYSDEC Division of Mineral Resources, 625 Broadway, Third Floor, Albany, NY 12233-6500).

400 Years Ago

In December 1609 Henry Hudson was rebuked by an English Order in Council accusing him of "voyaging to the detriment of his country". He was forbidden any further contact with the East India Company and prohibited from seeking foreign employment. It was common at the time for captains to offer their services outside their home country so this was an unusual turn of events.

Hudson and his crew were brought to London to appear before the King. While there Hudson was kept under guard. He and the English members of his crew were never permitted to return to Holland.

In July of 1610 the Dutch members of the crew were allowed to sail the Half-Moon back to Amsterdam. They took with them Hudson's charts and log, which were eventually lost. Only fragments remain as quoted by contemporary sources.

This concludes our Quadricentennial series.

Editorial

Membership renewal time is coming up in January so I'd like to provide a reminder and share a few thoughts. If you joined mid-year it may be a bit of a surprise that renewal comes so soon but in order to keep things manageable we operate on a January to December basis. We make exceptions for people who join in Nov.-Dec, and there is a grace period for the newsletter.

Membership brings many advantages, 12 issues of the newsletter, other club mailings, eligibility for Woody crew, and a vote for officers.

Membership is important to the club as well. It's worth so much more than the few dollars we take in. It provides credibility in the community and is the basis for many grant opportunities.

Our greatest strength is our grassroots volunteerism. Our volunteers are what makes the club what it is, whether it's working at a festival, playing music, working on the boat, sweeping the floor, any thing you contribute makes the club stronger.

I was in a meeting with another non-profit where the value of volunteer time was being discussed. They had estimates from the Chronicle of Philanthropy and The Independent Sector ranging from \$19.50 to \$28.04 per hour. Doing a little approximate math:

1500 hrs of maintenance time = \$37,000

640 crew hours = \$16,000

You can see that the value of your time is worth as much as the real revenue stream.

We had a great year so please renew, volunteer, and help build on it to make next year even better.

Alan Thomas - editor

Coming Soon- On-line Membership and Donation Option

Membership Renewals and Donations will be accessible on-line beginning in January through the Beacon Sloop Club website.

The Development Committee recommended and the Executive Committee approved a plan to put membership records and payment online. The club will take advantage of newly available, free, open-source online software to automate membership renewals, new subscriptions, payments and donations.

Kevin Haydon and Jim Schumm, a BSC member who is also the Secretary of River Pool, plan to commit 20 hours to getting the system active in time for January 2010 renewals. The goal is to reduce manual administration, increase membership renewal rates and improve the ease with which members and supporters can donate. The system - which uses CiviCRM and Drupal software and payment via PayPal - is already used by River Pool.

Manual membership renewals by check and mail will continue to be supported.

Editor's note: If you would like a preview go to the River Pool website (you could join or make a donation while there if you want the full experience). <http://www.riverpool.org/about.html#help>

How many Captains does it take....

The Woody is in her traditional spot at White's Marina in New Hamburg. A work crew featuring five captains installed the tarp frame (I could only get four in the photo at one time). Winter maintenance will start in earnest after the holidays so plan to be there to help. Crew members are asked to put in 30 hrs each year.



Broad Old River FUNDRAISER

On Saturday November 7th the Beacon Sloop Club was host to a historic event featuring The Hudson River Sloop Singers performing songs from "Broad Old River". Now available on CD remastered from the original Beach Stage recording of the set in Croton Point Park in 1986. Most of the performers on the album led their songs during the show. The concert was filmed for public television by Rik Palieri.

Rik Palieri explains:

When I was putting together the collection of my Songwriters Notebook TV shows for the Library of Congress Archives, I had to watch most of the 145 shows before I sent them to Washington D.C. In my collection, there is one show that I archived that was about one of the last Pumpkin sails. It was while I was watching that show that I realized that while there have been many films and videos done about the Clearwater, showing the Sloop Singers in the background, very few have talked about who these people were. It was that spark combined with the new release of "Broad Old River" that gave me the idea that we should do a new show based on the Sloop Singers.

When I started working with the archives they told me that they think of things in the context of what will be important at least 100 years from now. So this is really what we are doing on November 7th in Beacon, we are preserving our history for future generations, telling our stories so that long after we are all gone that our grandchildren's, grandchildren's, grandchildren, will be able to hear our stories and remember there was once a group of people who were bonded by the love of the Hudson River and a replica of an old sailing sloop and how that boat changed their lives.

All proceeds from the concert and sale of this CD directly benefit maintenance of the Sloops CLEARWATER and WOODY GUTHRIE.

From Mel and Vinnie:

We were all part of something bigger than ourselves. Rik has the footage for the 2 part TV show and our sloop singer history is going into the Library of Congress. Through ticket sales, donations and CD sales over \$1000 dollars came in in one day. Yesterday we sent our third check for sloop maintenance to Clearwater and Beacon Sloop club. Our BOR2 project is about raising money for sloop maintenance and spreading the Clearwater message through the music. It looks like all our goals were met, thank you.

And Thank You Mel & Vinnie. It was fantastic!



Broad Old River 2 Concert Chorus:

Sarah Armour, Peggy Atwood, Dan Berger, Jacob Bernz, Scott Berwick, Sue Cerniglia, Vincent J Cerniglia, Jan Christensen, Lydia Adams Davis, Robert (Diggitt) Dermer, Dan Einbender, Sarah Goldhammer, John Guth, Spook Handy, Maryellen (Mel) Healy, Eric Hebert, Rebekah Underhill Hval, Creek Chris Iverson, Travis Jeffrey, Alex Kaminsky, Joe Kaminsky, Paul Kaplan, Geoff Kaufman, Bob Killian, Dorothea Killian, Bob Lusk, Michelle Marcus, Ira McIntosh, Roland Mousaa, Donna Nestler, Rick Nestler, Rik Palieri, Lois Pinetree, Moreen Ivce Rose, Eric Russell, Pete Seeger, Don Shappelle, Peter Siegel, Zenote Sompantles, Steve Stanne, Sarah Underhill, Hillary Zaenchik.
In Memory: *Geoff Brown, Helen Chrobocinski, Richard Chrobocinski, Rachel Gatland, Carl Schwartz*

Sloop Singers not seated in the chorus who participated as audience or volunteer:

Sue Altin (pre event), Polly Armour, David Bernz, Neal Keller, Dick Manley, Mike Meade, Ann Rommele, Margie Rosenkrantz, Jon Stein

CDs are available for purchase from Mel & Vinnie or online at <http://www.clearwater.org>

Photos by: Jill Behling Padua & Alan Thomas
 Text stolen from Mel's blog

**Come Sing With Us!!
You're invited to the tenth annual Beacon Sloop Club**

HOLIDAY SING!

Featuring:

Pete Seeger

Jacob Bernz

Alison Hartwell

Creek Iversen

Rob Tepper - James Durst

Travis Jeffrey - David Bernz

Mel Healy and Vinnie Cerniglia

Roland Moussa - Chris Ruhe

Dan Einbender and the Kids From Room 12

Karen Brooks and Melissa Ortquist

Ingrid Heldt - Goldee Greene

Michael Scolnick, and other guests

At

The Beacon Sloop Club

(near the river at the Beacon train station)

Friday, December 11th

8:00 P.M.

**Free admission - Please feel free to bring a finger food or desert item to share.
Please bring a donation of canned or pre-packaged food for the
Beacon food pantry.**

BSC TREASURER'S REPORT Treasury Report 12/06/09

Submitted by Joyce Hanson

BSC General Fund	Amount	Member-ship	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Building	Mural
Royal Carting (Pumpkin Fest) ck 1459	-150.00		0.00	-150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Clivus Multrum, Inc (Fan & Wire) ck 1460	-210.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	(210.00)	
Tinya Seeger (P Fest. Pie Crusts 83.55) ck 1461	-83.55			-83.55				
Membership	20.00	20.00						
Hat Pass (Nov meeting)	190.00							
Al Thomas (newsletter printing only) ck 1462	-61.50				(61.50)			
Ron Bell (gas) ck 1463	-34.50							
Kevin Hayden (Spirit of Beacon Day) ck 1464	-59.20							
David Eberle (light fixtures) ch 1465	-189.48						(189.48)	
Safeco Alarms ck 1466	-105.00						(105.00)	
White's Marina 412.Harbor fee 11.61 lock & chain	-423.61		(423.61)					
Rick Price (mural) ck 1468	-327.21							327.21
Donation (David Eberle-Cornell Coop)	327.21							
Donations 629.50 Broad Old River - Mel & Vince	629.50		629.50					
Donations (In memory of Pat Egan) 25 + 45	70.00							
Total Monthly Income and (Expenses)		20.00	205.89	(233.55)	(61.50)	0.00	(504.48)	-327.21
OPENING BALANCE 11/06/09	39,074.87							
CLOSING BALANCE	38,667.53							

CAN YOU PLEASE HELP????

WORK PARTY: SAT. 12/5 & SUN.12/06

10AM- 5PM SAT.12/12 & Sun.12/13

SLOOPER: FRAN SANSONE (845 541 8085)

41 LYONS RD. , OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438

FREE Food/Drinks provided (You can also help any other date.)

FRAN SANSONE, LOST HER NEWBURGH HOUSE IN A FIRE, 11/12/09. NO CLOTHING OR FURNITURE WAS SAVED. SHE NEEDS HELP MAKING HER COZY LAKE CABIN, OAK RIDGE, NJ, A SAFE HAVEN PRIOR WINTER.



<http://en.cop15.dk/>

**Join us for a Candlelight Vigil
Saturday, December 12 at 5:30pm
MAIN STREET, BEACON
Bank SQUARE Coffeehouse
to
Howland Cultural Center**

**In solidarity with the objectives of the
UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE**

IT'S OUR WORLD ... HOW DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE IT?

**Bring the Family and join us for a Second Saturday
Walk from one end of Main Street to the other**

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Mon to Fri 9 A.M. to 7 P.M.
Saturday 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.
Sunday 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.



Now on 106.5 in Beacon !

Current Calendar

Executive Committee meeting, Tues.
December 22nd, 7:00 p.m.

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

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-4 p.m.,
In the BSC Club House , Beacon , NY



Photo by John McLaughlin

Beacon Sloop Club Holiday Sing, Friday,
December 11... Doors open at 7:00....show starts
at 8:00.. BSC Clubhouse

Candlelight Vigil, Sat. December 12th, 5:30pm,
Bank Square Coffee House, Main St., Beacon

Walkabout Clearwater Coffee House, , Kim &
Reggie Harris Sat. December 12th, Jay Ungar
and Molly Mason Sat. January 9th, 7:30 PM, 250
Bryant Ave., White Plains , NY

Work Parties at Fran Sansone's Cabin, Sat.
December 12th and Sun. December 13th, 10am-
5pm, Oak Ridge NJ.



Woody Work Parties: On the boat. At White's
Marina. Please contact a captain or Gigi Fris to
volunteer.

THE CLEARWATER MOMENT daily at 11:11 am
on WAMC, or affiliate; Saturdays, 9 AM - 2 PM.

Clearwater, Crew Quarters Work Parties,
weekends Dec. and Jan., at the Settlement
Camp, <http://doodle.com/szhsyvcrh3hkxh2n>

Environmental Lecture Series, Fri. Jan 8th,
7:00pm at the BSC Clubhouse, Speaker TBA

Something to Say Café, Sat. Jan 30th,
7:00 PM, at the BSC club house. Kacie Baker
followed by an open mic.

**Environmental Lecture Series, Brian Reed "Ice
Sailing on the Hudson"**, Fri. Feb. 12th, 7:00pm at
the BSC Clubhouse,

**Vigil for Peace every Saturday from 12-2 p.m. at the intersection of Rts. 9 and 9D
opposite Staples and at the corner of the South Hills Mall.**

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