

Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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Serving Hudson River with Pride for 38 Years

A Message from Our President:

We enjoyed a very special birthday celebration at our May meeting, with a fine crowd on hand for singing Happy Birthday. We also enjoyed a visit from a world renowned researcher who spoke on the Brazilian rain forest and the impact of its loss to agricultural interests. The unusual combination of birthday celebration, which clearly calls for much singing and riveting talk by renowned scientist was a bit challenging. Our musicians solved this by moving outside shortly before 9, which allowed the talk to continue.

A big hat's off to Gigi, our intrepid Winter Maintenance Coordinator, who had a rather large task this year. The Woody is scheduled to go in the water Friday!! And thank you to everyone who pitched in to make it happen and remember there's plenty left to do (rigging, electrical, shake-out).

Strawberry Festival is approaching quickly. All hands on deck!! This is our biggest fund raiser of the year and everyone is needed. There are volunteer signup sheets circulating or you can contact Phyllis Newham or Susan Berliner directly. This is a fun event, from setup early Saturday in Riverfront Park, to the Strawberry Prep Party on Saturday at Tom and Amy LaBarr's, to the festival itself on Sunday. Come prepared to pitch in and bring a friend.

Head's up that David and Lynn Eberle are hosting a 'Save our Sloop Social' garden party and fundraiser on May 22nd. Chris Ruhe is providing music. See inside for details.

Stop by the Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union on Main Street in Beacon and see our display. We are 'business of the month'!

Lastly, keep those memberships coming in. If you have questions on your membership or are not receiving your newsletter, contact me or Tom LaBarr directly.

Rosemary

Inside this issue:

The final push to launch, a tale of monkeys and greed, lots of work for volunteers, and much more...



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Monday, May 23rd 7:00 p.m. – Note the change

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, June 3rd 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

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Amount Enclosed \$ _____ . _____ Renewal _____ New Member _____ How did you hear of us? _____

Additional Members at this address _____ Email _____
(use back if needed)

Newsletter format(check one): Printed E-mail 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 waived.

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.

Notice

Through last year memberships were managed January to January. This year we are migrating to an online system and monthly management. If your membership renewal was due in January and you have not yet renewed please do so as soon as possible. We extended the expiration by one month. Please consider an email subscription to the newsletter. It saves \$\$s and paper.

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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, May 6, 2011

Opening: Michael Scolnick led our musicians in a tribute to the 50th anniversary of the first Freedom Riders who left Washington D.C. May 5th, 1961.

Rosemary Thomas welcomed first-time visitors to the Club, and called meeting to order with the singing of *Happy Birthday* to Pete Seeger. Along with our best wishes the club presented Pete with a beautiful 'Sloop cake' designed by captain Chris Ancliffe and Jessica Reisman of Homespun.

Wolf rescue: Sue Altkin, the first wolf that the club voted to adopt is named Apollo. The second one has not been assigned yet.

Treasurer: Sarah Elisabeth reported a net income of \$1923.62 including a \$5000 grant from the Coyote Foundation for work on the Woody. Our closing was \$45,307.43. We still have large bills pending for the shipwrights' work on the Woody.

Woody Guthrie, Gigi Fris - The shipwrights are running a week behind schedule so our new launch date is scheduled for Friday May 13th. Thank you to all who have come out to work on the boat this winter. We need lots of workers to complete the sanding, painting, oiling etc. before launch. Call **Gigi Fris** to join the work parties at White's Marina, in New Hamburg. Thank you to the New Hamburg Yacht Club and White's for donating the new docks!

Environmental Committee – Alan Thomas – The April lecture on the Hudson River School and its legacy to modern local artists was a great success and very entertaining. The final lecture will be May 20th with Perry Hartswick speaking about, Smart Water: Technological Solutions for a Greener Planet.

Strawberry Festival, Susan Berliner- The Strawberry Festival is June 12. "If you're a member of the Club, you're a volunteer!" All hands on deck! Sign-up sheets were passed around. **Jill Lake** spoke about zero waste plans for the festival. We will have Eco-pod stations and need Education Ambassadors to man them. Bring a chair and a friend.

Tom LaBarr announced the shortcake prep June 11 at his house on route 9D just north of the bridge. We need volunteers for prepping strawberries and making biscuit mix. Food drinks, and mind games provided. We need a few folks at 10:00 to unload the truck. **Saul Rozinsky** needs volunteers to help with setting up the tent and facilities on Saturday in Riverside Park.

David Cohen is looking for volunteers to count attendees at the entrance.

Fundraiser- David Eberle – David and Lynn Eberle will be hosting a fundraiser at their house on May 22nd, 3:00-6:00 pm, with music, and food, suggested minimum donation is \$25. Contact David at : 845-838-9360

Announcements: May 7, 8:00, Christopher Ruhe, there will be a **No Frackin' Way** concert at the Howland Center to raise awareness of the lobbying effort to stop forever the quest for natural gas by means of hydrofracturing in New York's Marcellus shale and the Hudson and Delaware Valleys..

Mother's Day March, meeting at the bridge over the Walkill in New Paltz, bring a flower.

Sara Elisabeth, Pow Wow On The Hudson "The River That Flows Both ways" **May 28-29 & 30**, Native American Festival At Bowdoin Park, 85 Sheafe Rd., Wappingers Falls

Thank you to all of musicians who started the circle of song outside due to a special guest presentation.

Special Guest: Marc Van Roosmalen,

world recognized biologist and conservationist, spoke on a wide range of topics to a packed clubhouse. The founder of the Amazon Association for the Preservation of High Biodiversity Areas, or AAPA, he was knighted by Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands, and awarded the country's highest scientific honor. In 2000 he was named one of Time magazine's "heroes for the planet."

Van Roosmalen, described the biodiversity and the interdependence of plants and animals and indigenous peoples in the Amazon rain forest and his discovery of previously unknown primate species. He also raised the alarm about the impact of indiscriminate slash and burn agriculture and industrialization on that biodiversity as well as its influence on climate change.

He described his conviction and imprisonment for fraud and biopiracy as politically motivated and driven by the powerful interests who are destroying the rainforest.

For more info:

<http://www.marcvanroosmalen.org/aboutmarc.htm>

http://www.wired.com/science/planetearth/magazine/16-06/mf_monkeybusiness?currentPage=all



Respectfully submitted by Alan Thomas for Vane Lashua

The Reds Are Coming!

Follow the signs to Riverfront Park for Beacon Sloop Club's 35th Annual Strawberry Festival on Sunday, June 12th from noon to dusk. Bring your blanket, your appetite, your family and friends for fabulous live music, crafts, local food, river critters, free one-hour sails on the ferry sloop Woody Guthrie, the world's most delicious strawberry shortcake, and more! Admission is free. Come for the shortcake – stay for the day. It's a great day to make new friends, enjoy your community, relax, have fun and get acquainted with the river that flows both ways. See you there!

Zero Waste Starts Here

One of our visions for this year's festival season, and the earth, is to significantly reduce the amount we send into the waste stream. Wouldn't it be amazing if we could get all the way down to zero waste?

At Strawberry Festival we will be inaugurating our glorious new Earthcare Pods: five welcoming, colorful stations, evenly spaced and clearly visible throughout the festival. Each pod will contain one basket for plastic bottles, one basket for glass and metal, one can for compostables (non-meat food, napkins, and our bowls, cups and spoons, which are made from biodegradable cornstarch), one "All Else" can for everything that cannot be recycled or composted, beautiful signs to help people determine what goes where, and two earthcare educators to assist people with this process and provide helpful information to the public.

Vendors have been requested to comply with our zero waste goal by using biodegradable serving goods and packing out all of their own recyclables and all else. We are hoping that everyone will honor our vision.

How can you help?

- ❖ Become a Pod Person. Sign up to help staff and manage the pods – we need lots of volunteers so we can do one to two hour shifts. Bringing your own chair would be a big help (we have a chair shortage at festivals).
- ❖ Come to our trashcan and sign painting party at the LaBarr's on Sunday, May 15 at 9 AM. (Rain date: Saturday, May 21.)
- ❖ Be a Ten Second Activist: if you see an item in the wrong receptacle, move it! Caring for the planet is a proactive endeavor. No act for the earth is ever wasted, no matter how small!

Calling All Tablecloths!

Are you a tablecloth looking to be repurposed? Do you own such a cloth? Might you stumble upon one at a yard sale or Sal's Boutique? In our efforts to get down to zero waste at festivals, we have decided to shed those plastic table covers and convert to cloth. The Sloop Club is looking for donations of attractive, happy tablecloths to use and reuse at all our festivals. We are also looking for volunteers to wash and house them in between festivals.

Strawberry Workers Unite!

Sunday, June 12th is our annual Strawberry Festival, abounding with opportunities to try your hand as a volunteer. You can work for an hour, a day, or dig right in and join us for the whole ride. It's a great way to make friends, have fun and do something wonderful for the river, the environment, your community and Sloop Club. No experience necessary. All workers are guaranteed equal pay and benefits. Here's what you can do:

Saturday, June 11th

- ❖ **Strawberry Hulling Party** at The LaBarr's 10 AM. Join the merry berry hullers, mix shortcake batter, and perform a variety of important... taste tests. Tom and Aimee provide all necessary equipment and an amazing lunch..
- ❖ **Site Crew** at Riverfront Park from 9AM – 12 noon. Help prepare the site for Sunday – set up the oven, strawberry and environmental tents, vendor layout, electrical, water, haul tables, equipment, signs, etc. Trucks welcome! We never have enough trucks.
- ❖ **Site Watch** at Riverfront Park from 12 – 8. Come down for an hour or two, bring a picnic or a guitar, and spend a lovely afternoon in the park.

Sunday, June 12th – Festival Day. All hands on deck! Don't be shy! You will be welcomed with open arms, open hearts and work gloves.

- ❖ **Set Up:** 8 AM – haul and unload tables, chairs, equipment, etc. Set up the tents and work areas. Trucks welcome!
- ❖ **Loaders:** 8AM – Meet at the LaBarr's to load berries onto the trailer.
- ❖ **Strawberry Tent:** 9AM – 5PM - We need hullers, washers, whippers, bakers, earthcare, servers, goo moppers and gofors. Work for an hour or all day. Jump in any time – there's never a shortage of fun things to do!
- ❖ **Angels of Mercy** – Bring food and water to workers
- ❖ **Beacon Sloop Club Booth** - Woody guest sail sign-up, sell T-shirts / merchandise, provide information and Sloop Club membership.
- ❖ **Woody Sailors** – Contact your captain.
- ❖ **Dock Safety / Lifejackets** – Help Woody guests on and off the dock and provide life jackets / instruction.
- ❖ **Zero Waste Pod** – This is our prestigious new earthcare / recycling / compost / team. Join our dedicated, highly specialized crew to staff our beautiful new earthcare stations and help educate the public to minimize what our festival sends to the waste stream (all of our bowls, napkins, cups and utensils are fully biodegradable). If you have a comfortable camp chair that you like, please BYO (we have a shortage).
- ❖ **Crowd Control** – People movers with a gentle touch. The lines can get long and hungry. We need someone to make sure people are in the right line and moving efficiently.
- ❖ **Take Down / Clean Up** – 5 PM. Strike the set! Return everything from whence it came and leave the park looking even more glorious than when we started. This is a great time to help out, especially if you have not yet had an opportunity to work – fresh energy is really appreciated by workers who have been working all day! Trucks gratefully welcomed.

Please call Susan at 297-7692 or Phyllis at 831-6962 for more info or to sign up.

Dear Sloop Members:

It is crunch time again for the Woody, as we will be launching at White's within a week. I am happy to report our sloop is looking safe, sound and gorgeous. A lot of BSC members have come out to get the boat ready, and many in the boat yard are commenting on how much work has been done to the hull and the cockpit. If you look at the hull from a distance, the red-leaded bungs for the new frames make the boat look as if it had been stitched up after extensive surgery, which in many ways, it had. We have to be thankful for the Kricker's survey last fall, as without it we surely would have found the Woody at the bottom of the Hudson this season.

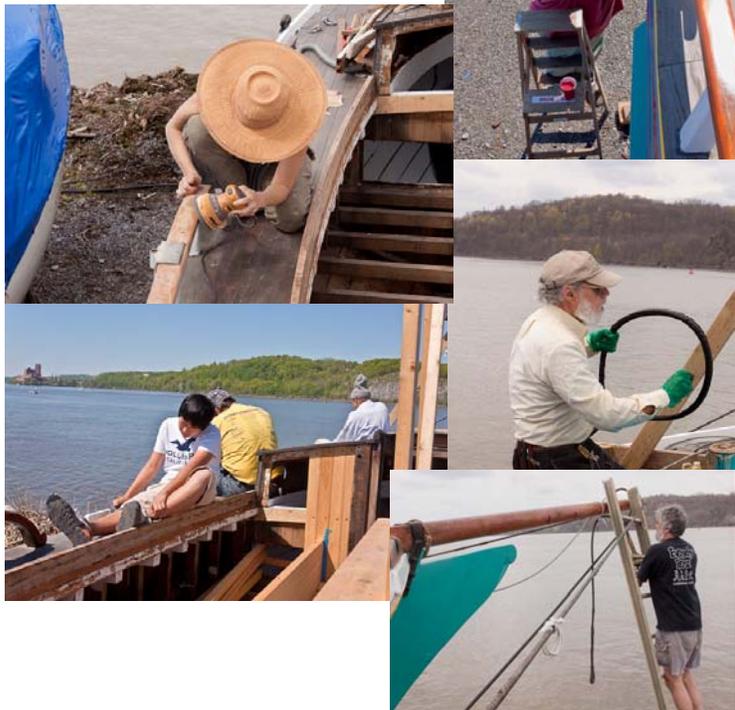


We're committed to be out and sailing Newburgh Bay by Memorial Day, and hope to also be flaunting a rather gaudy topsail contributed by an Israeli artist. This summer, the captains and sailors will be pushing a new campaign for donations for repairs, and I am in the process of designing a meaningful graphic to convey our needs and get the frame replacement message out during group sails and festivals. So far, I am thinking of creating a picture of the Woody transom-half an actual picture, and the other half from the Woody blueprints. The blueprint portion will have the ribs outlined in orange, so people can see what needs replacing, but they can also recognize the real transom.

If you can think of anything eye-catching or succinct for this effort, please give me a call.

See you on the river, sailing folk!

Gigi Fris
Woody Maintenance Coordinator



Sound Bites by Gigi Fris
Fiddler on the Sloop-Ken Miller

Do you know the story about Major Andre's missing toe? Well, according to the story Ken Miller told us while sailing the Woody one night, the following account is weird but true: British Major Andre was captured in hung in 1780 by the "rebels", for scheming with Benedict Arnold, the Revolutionary War traitor. Forty years passed, and Andre's body was dug up to be returned to Westminster Abbey for a proper burial. The American cabinet maker who built a coffin for this skeleton STOLE Major Andre's toe bone and built a little coffin for it. Apparently the family passes this gruesome bone-in-the-box down to its descendants in Tappen.



Yes, Ken is a historic re-enact-or, so his love of history led him to the Woody, if perhaps in an inadvertent manner; he was seeking to sail the Sojourner Truth, or some local boat with a historical twist. After repeatedly calling the Sojo number, somebody finally answered.

- "I am looking to sail on the Sojourner Truth"
- "You're too late, she sunk."
- "Is there another sloop?"
- "Well, there is the Woody Guthrie."

Ken found the BSC website and went down to Long Dock to hop aboard. He sailed for a year before attending a club meeting, where he noticed instantly there was a lot of music and diversity. The Circle of Song triggered in Ken a deep longing to possess and play a fiddle. He'd been asking his family to buy him one for years, but they just laughed and said he was too old to learn. Finally, he bought one for himself; he figured if he couldn't play it he could always mount the instrument on the wall. After Mel, Vinnie and Roland invited him to accompany them on stage at a festival he got up the nerve to bring his fiddle to the Circle of Song, and now, I have to admit, he's plays pretty well.

Ken says that his experience with the BSC has opened up a whole new world for him; a place that is inclusive to all. He loves the way the BSC acknowledges everybody and encourages their participation. He also enjoys the fellowship of the Woody crew on Wednesday nights, under the leadership of Captains Birmingham and Baldino.

When he is not shooting mini cannons, sailing, or fiddling, Ken can be found running Chim-Chimney ;his chimney cleaning service. Ken has fixed the wood stove chimney in the BSC, as well as the wood stove chimney in our workshop at White's Marina. He has been in business for 34 years, and is also a co-landlord of five rental properties.

Ken plans on continuing to contribute more grass roots environmental lifestyle columns to this newsletter. So far, he has written about four, and given one lecture at the club about privateers on the Hudson River. Thanks, Ken, for all your wild stories and enthusiasm for our mission!

Art on the Hudson



A big, big thank you to local artists Carol Flaitz and Cabot Parsons for putting together a very entertaining talk on the Hudson River School and its influence on today's Hudson River artists.

They traced this romantic landscape movement from its beginnings with Cole and Durand, through Church and Bierstadt until it was supplanted by photography and the abstract movements. They then showed how local artists are still using some of its elements, particularly natural subjects and the use of light today.

BEACON SLOOP CLUB ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION SERIES

IBM's Smarter Water Initiative : Technological Solutions for a Greener Planet



A Free
Event!

Friday, May 20th, 2011

7:00pm

at the Beacon Sloop Club

(opposite the Beacon train station)

Perry Hartswick

IBM World Wide Chief Architect for Smarter Water

Urban population will almost double between
2010-50 (to 6.4B!)

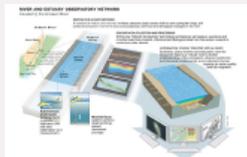
Asia will become 50% urban in next 15 years

95% of the world's cities still dump raw sewage
into their waters

41% of the Earth's population (2.3 billion) live in
water-stressed areas; 3.5 billion will do so by
2025

Only 1% of the earth's water is available for
drinking water. 2% is currently frozen

Technology applied to Water Management can
help to address critical, health, social, and
economic issues.



Earth Day River Sweep



With the help of volunteers from IBM and lots of foul weather gear this years River Sweep netted ten large bags of trash and debris.

Thank you once again to Chris Ruhe for organizing this and for all who came out in really nasty conditions to make it happen. The waterfront is a much more attractive place for your efforts.

Study Finds Gas Contamination in Wells

Scientists at Duke University found that levels of flammable methane gas in drinking water wells increased to dangerous levels when those water supplies were close to natural gas wells. They tested 68 drinking water wells in the Marcellus and Utica shale drilling areas.

<http://www.propublica.org/article/scientific-study-links-flammable-drinking-water-to-fracking>

Money can be "Green" too! By Ken Miller

I started this column for the purpose of finding ways to link our personal economy with saving our environment. People will always do things that can save money as long as that thing isn't too complicated or difficult. There's so many of us, that "little" changes in our lives will inadvertently add up, if we can change people's habits.

Last week I filled up my work truck in Rockland County, N.Y. Regular was \$4.29/gal. This time we crossed the \$4/gal line when oil was \$112/barrel. Last time in 2008 it crossed when oil was \$150/barrel. Falling dollar, speculators, oil company profiteering. What ever the reason, we are stuck with the cost. So what can we do? The last time this happened the public responded by driving less. This is already happening! It shows that habits can be altered. Here are some other things that we can do:

Consolidate trips -planning can be part of your day. Don't drive home and then drive to the store. Plan your route according to needs.

Check your air pressure in your tires. When I started doing this more often, I was shocked to find out that I was getting 2 more miles per gallon/highway. (on-board computer)

Drive at your cars "designed" rate on the highway. Strangely enough most modern cars get better gas mileage at 65 MPH than at 55 MPH. My onboard computer, in my 2000 Ford Minivan, proved this to me. I thought I was seeing things.

Fast acceleration is still a "gas gulper" though. Drive like there is a raw egg on the gas pedal.

Remember those "mean" oil companies are drilling this stuff for you and me. The less we use the better it is for your pocket-book and the environment.

http://wiki.answers.com/Q/How_can_you_improve_gas_mileage

<http://www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/driveHabits.shtml>

Trash Can Artists!

Can you hold a paintbrush? Spray paint? Stencil? Paint free hand? Talk? Eat? If you have any of these skills or just love the smell of Rustoleum in the morning, come join us at our Trash Can Sign Painting Party and Potluck at the LaBarr's on Sunday, May 15 at 9AM. (Rain date Saturday, May 21). This is your once in a lifetime opportunity to create art that will be seen and admired by thousands of people well into the 21st century and magically inspire them to make sound environmental choices, starting right here at our very own festivals. Bring your creativity, good spirits and a dish to share. Please call Susan at 297-7697 or Tom at 831-4267 for more info or directions to Chateau LaBarr.

Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report

Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth

April 26, 2010

BSC General Fund	Amount	Membership	Paypal	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Membership	640.00	630.00	10.00					
Donation (Coyote Foundation)	5,000.00			5,000.00				
Vendor	2,350.00				2,350.00			
Donation (Zero Waste Garden Tour)	(25.00)				(25.00)			
Woody Maintenance	(4,120.00)			(4,120.00)				
Central Hudson	(56.46)							(56.46)
Seining License	(10.00)				(10.00)			
Supplies	(109.92)							(109.92)
Strawberry Festival Permits	(1,745.00)				(1,745.00)			
Total Monthly Income and Expenses	1,923.62	630.00	10.00	880.00	570.00			(166.38)
OPENING BALANCE	43,383.81							
CLOSING BALANCE	45,307.43							

Every Sunday Farmers Market
at the Beacon Waterfront 10-4pm
Simply Valley
All Local Hudson Valley Products
 Sprout Creek Farm Cheeses
 (Toussaint and Ouray Cheese)
 Fresh made Lamb, Mushroom Spring Rolls
 Fresh Made Pasta
 Mario's Brick Oven Bread
 Mary Finger Organic Free Range Eggs
Special Large Quantity orders call 845-562-0192

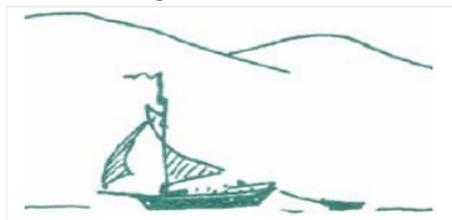


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Mon to Fri 9 A.M. to 7 P.M.
 Saturday 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.
 Sunday 10 A.M. to 6 P.M.

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Save Our Sloop Social
Garden Party at the
1862 Charles DuBois House, Beacon NY
home of Lynn and David Eberle



Music by Chris Ruhe **Finger Foods**
Door Prizes

Sunday May 22nd, 2011, 3-6 PM

\$25 per person

RSVP: 463-4660

rmthomas99@yahoo.com

All proceeds will be used for the restoration of the Hudson River ferry sloop Woody Guthrie. The sloop has provided free sails weeknights for over 30 years. Let's enable another 30 years.

Living Green in Rockland
 The Rockland County Solid Waste Management Authority presents

2011 Environmental Day

Sunday, May 15, 2011
11am - 4pm (Rain or Shine)

Located 1 mile North of Suffern Railroad Station on Torne Valley Road in Hillburn

Free Admission **Great Family Day**

- Tour the Recycling Center See where your recyclables go!
- Visit our Environmental Education Center & Native Plants Garden
- Learn How to Go Green Through Environmental Demos
- View Award Winning Films at our Environmental Film Festival
- Locally Grown Plants & Produce
- Speak with our Green Exhibitors
- Rockland Recycles Awards Ceremony
- Chance to Win Rain Barrels & Compost Bins
- Give-A-Ways
- Green Products
- Music & Food

Kids...Come Experience
 Balloon Artist • Face Painting
 Bouncy Castle • Storytelling
 Music & Puppets • Crafts
 Games and more!

For more information visit www.rocklandrecycles.com



Now on 106.5 in Beacon!

Current Calendar

Executive Committee meeting, Mon. May 23rd 7:00 p.m., at the BSC clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting June 3rd– potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m.

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-4 p.m.,
At the Ferry Dock , Beacon , NY

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

Sailing Class, Weds., April 13-June 1st, 7:00 PM-9:00 PM , at the Beacon Sloop Club –

Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse, Sat., May.14th, 7:30 pm, John McCutcheon , 250 Bryant Avenue in White Plains

Trash Can Painting Party, Sun. May 15th, 9:00 am,
At the LaBarr's house, Rte. 9D, red house just north of the bridge. Call 297-7697 or 831-4267 for more info

Rockland County Environmental Day, Sun. May 15th, 11:00am-4:00 pm, Thorne Valley Rd., Hillburn

Winter Lecture Series: Technological Solutions for a Greener Planet – Perry Hartswick, Fri. May. 20th, 7 PM, Beacon Sloop Club



Woody maintenance 2011- Come out and Help!

Check the Woody group site or contact a captain or Gigi for maintenance schedules.

Save Our Sloop Social and Garden Party, Sun. May 22nd, 3:00-6:00 pm, Lynn and David Eberle's house, 463-4660 to R.S.V.P. , min. donation \$25

RiverFest, Sat. Jun. 4th, Donahue Park, Cornwall-on-Hudson

Strawberry Festival Site Prep, Sat. Jun. 11th, 9:00am-noon, Riverfront Park, Beacon

Strawberry Festival Berry and Biscuit Prep, Sat. Jun. 11th, 10:00am-5:00pm, At the LaBarr's house, Rte. 9D, red house just north of the bridge.

Strawberry Festival, Sun. Jun. 12th, noon- 5:00pm, Riverfront Park, Beacon – volunteer shifts starting from 8:30 am. Clean-up crew at 5:00 pm

2011 Festival Dates

Strawberry June 12th,

Corn August 14th,

Pumpkin October 16

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.

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