

# Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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## Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 40 Years

### A Message from Our President:

This is my last President's message, at least for a while. I feel honored by all of you for trusting me with the duties and responsibilities of being president. I feel that I have really found a house full of friends. So I wish to take time to thank you all and particularly offer special thanks to those who helped in making the job easier.

I fully believe that we must act to carry on the missions of the Sloop Club, the Woody Guthrie sailing program, the environmental program, the festivals, the circle of song. I would love to see us do something with regard to social activism, perhaps an evening dedicated to groups and people who are trying to create a better world. We need to carry on the work of Pete Seeger and Connie Hogarth. We also need to attract some younger people to the club.

At the last board meeting I appointed a committee to obtain and review bids for restoring the Woody Guthrie. Jim Birmingham will chair the committee; other members are Tom LaBarr, John McLaughlin, Tom Baldino, Gigi Fris, Saul Rozinski, Alan Thomas, and Jimmy Gorgeon. These individuals have extensive experience and knowledge about the Woody Guthrie.

I wish to congratulate the new officers, Saul Rozinski, J. C. Calderon, James Malchow and Sarah Elisabeth. I believe these people will make good leaders. I will be exchanging places with Saul and heading up the Building Committee (including responsibility for the Multrum). I am also interested in looking at acquiring a good high efficiency wood stove that would heat the building better.

I hosted the third Open House Holiday Celebration and it was a great success. I plan to continue this in future years. If you didn't attend you missed a good time. Someone left a pair of glasses, call me and I will return them.

I wish you all  
Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year!

Sincerely,  
David Eberle

### **Inside this issue:**

**Celebrating the Weavers**, putting the harbor to bed, holiday cheer, signs of hope from Russia, renewal time, and much, much more.....



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**NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Monday, December 30th 7:00 p.m. – NOTE Change!**

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.**