

# Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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## Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 42 Years

### A Message from Our President

Thank you to everyone who came out to help the club put on another fantastic Corn Festival. The weather was perfect, the music was great, and, not surprisingly, we sold out of 1300 ears of corn, 8 pots of chili, and lots of other goods before the day was done.

There was a fantastic number of volunteers present for both the set-up and breakdown of the festival, which made the event much more manageable overall. I was amazed that we had everything cleared out of the park and put away by 6:30 p.m., which might be a record for breakdown time. I hope we can do the same for the Pumpkin Festival (October 18!).

You may have noticed that the park was especially clean on Sunday, thanks to the cleanup that was organized by Clearwater the day before the festival. A batch of volunteers collected bags of bottle caps, Styrofoam, wrappers, old shoes, and other litter from all around the park.

Progress is being made on the Woody restoration project. Be sure to keep your eyes open for updates as events unfold. We can use more help with the fundraising side of the project, so anyone willing to help should let us know.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of their summer. See you in September, if not sooner.

James

### *Inside this issue:*

**Corn for a Buck-an-Ear**, African beats and Brass, prepping the Woody for her move, and much, much more.....



*Photo by Matt Tether*



**NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, August 25th 7:00 p.m.**

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, September 4th 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Membership donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Save Our Sloop Fund donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Newsletter format (check one): Printed  E-mail  Please consider e-mail it saves money and paper.

Additional Members at this address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like information on Clearwater Membership?  How did you hear of us? \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Input must be received by the Monday following the monthly membership meeting. Send to Alan Thomas at [acthoma@yahoo.com](mailto:acthoma@yahoo.com) or mail to PO Box 430 Hughsonville, NY 12537. Please allow one week for special handling.

## Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, August 7, 2015

**Opening:** The meeting began at 7:30 with everyone singing “I Come and Stand at Every Door”, a song set to the poem by Nâzım Hikmet, and music by Pete Seeger. Pete sang this song every year in commemoration of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August 1945. Following a moment of silence, James Malchow called the meeting to order and welcomed two first-time visitors from Beacon and Highland.

**Treasury Report:** Sarah Elisabeth gave the Treasury Report. The opening balance was \$240166.36 and the closing balance is \$242845.65, including \$1166.42 from the “Where’s the Woody?” Campaign.

**Corn Festival:** Bonnie Champion, Rosemary Thomas, and Betty Harkins announced that the annual Corn Festival will take place on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, from noon to 5:00 pm at the Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park. Everyone’s participation is needed in order to make the festival a success, including set up and break down of the festival site, loading and unloading of materials and equipment, parking and traffic control, supervision of the Earth Care stations, and selling of raffle tickets. Throughout the day, volunteers will rotate frequently with breaks so that no one is stuck in one job for too long. As always, volunteers will be given water and tickets for food. The festival leadership team is dedicated to volunteers feeling happy and appreciated. We will shuck, roast and serve up more food than ever before: 1,200 ears of corn, 30 watermelons, four different kinds of chili (including Maggie DeHeus’ Tennessee Chili), and two first-time recipes: Mexican Corn-on-the-cob, and Cathy Berger’s black bean and corn salsa. Special acknowledgment and thanks went out to David Cohen for picking up and transporting 1,200 ears of corn, Bonnie Champion for repeated wrangling of 30 watermelons, and Maggie DeHeus for her work going door-to-door in Beacon to acquire Raffle prizes, of which there will be over \$1,100 worth. Betty Harkins has worked tirelessly on exhibits for the Environmental Booth, where the focus will be on plastics. Rosemary Thomas announced that all trash will be carryout at this festival, as well as at the Pumpkin Festival in October. Volunteers are needed to carry out and take home/dispose of trash at the end of the day.

**Woody Report:** Jim Birmingham recognized Alan Thomas as being integral in negotiating a contract with the Hudson River Maritime Museum. Finalization and approval of the contract are pending the week of August 10<sup>th</sup>. Alan thanked David Bernz and Peter Gross for legal work and advice. Don Raskopf shared news that the shed and site are ready in Kingston. The Woody is being prepared to move from White’s Marina in New Hamburg to the HRMM site in Kingston. Alan stated that a key aspect of the contract with HRMM is the opportunity for BSC volunteers to continue working on the boat to offset the cost of repairs, with the possibility of saving as much as \$93,000. Current work involves removing paint and exposing seams and planks. Volunteer work on these jobs alone could save between \$4,000-\$5,000. Don Raskopf and Steve Schwartz are organizing work parties on Tuesday evenings, between 5 pm and dark, and Saturdays and Sundays. Contact Don at [donraskopf@gmail.com](mailto:donraskopf@gmail.com) or Steve Schwartz at [sloopcapt@aol.com](mailto:sloopcapt@aol.com) for more information.

**Announcements and Other Business:** Ken Miller announced that the Corn Festival stage will become all-inclusive at the end of the day for the sing-along grand finale. All are invited to join the musicians on stage and help lead and engage the crowd in the sing-along.

Shameika Hanson, Hudson River Sloop Clearwater Volunteer Coordinator, announced on behalf of HRSC that in an effort to become more involved in the Beacon Sloop Club Festivals and in support of the Town of Beacon, volunteers are being organized for preparation and cleanup of the Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park on Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Shameika has coordinated a work party that will meet on Saturday for breakfast in town, followed by a cleanup of the park, and finishing with lunch.

James Malchow asked the Club members to consider its annual donation to Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, hoping that members see fit to approve a \$1,000 donation. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$1,000 to Hudson River Sloop Clearwater. The motion carried.

Alan Thomas shared the news that Freddie Martin is housebound in Garrison and would be most grateful for any communication and/or visits from fellow club members and well-wishers. Freddie sends his greetings and that he very much misses everyone, the meetings and activities.

On the topic of the 12th Annual Great Newburgh to Beacon Hudson River Swim, Cathy Berger shared her concern that the weather-related change in scheduling this year was not well communicated, and that some missed the event. James Malchow explained that the event leaders held out as long as possible, and that advance notice was difficult because of the last minute threat of lightening and weather-related decision-making. Vane shared the news that despite the weather, the event was a success with over 95% of registered swimmers participating.

Connie Hogarth shared the news that Tinya Seeger is a grandmother. Tinya’s daughter, Moraya Seeger DeGeare gave birth to a healthy 10 lb. baby boy on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Connie also invited everyone to attend a new film series to be held the last Friday of each month in Beacon. “Movies That Matter Beacon” will be showing films that address themselves to the pertinent issues of our times. August’s feature film will be “Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai”, on Friday, August 28, 2015 from 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM (doors open at 7:00), at McKinley Hall, First Presbyterian Church of Beacon, 50 Liberty St., Beacon, NY 12508. For more information, please visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/moviesthatmatterbeacon>

Bob Pogue expressed concern that every year his membership runs out, but that he does not receive any notice to remind him of this. Alan Thomas explained that a renewal notice used to be achieved via a red label on the Broadside newsletter mailing, but now less than 60 out of 300 members still receive a hard copy of the Broadside. Alan stated that this issue of the renewal notice can be addressed, but that more volunteer help is needed, and that the Membership Chair position is still open. Bob readily volunteered to help Alan.

Many thanks go out to Maggie DeHeus who donated a set of wooden chairs to the club.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Reid Bozso, substituting for Gail Moran.



**The Sun is Setting on the Woody at White's**

Our dedicated volunteers have been rallying at the boat to do the prep work for her move to Kingston. On Tuesday nights we have been sharing food and drink as we scrape and pry paint and caulk and get her ready for transport and disassembly.

Our agreement allows for credit for any expensive shipwright hours we recover with volunteer labor. The fine work and good energy has already saved us thousands of dollars! Thank You!

Everything we can accomplish now will be offsetting labor costs on the Restoration project, and will be the equivalent of making cash contribution. It is also a great way to show your appreciation to this fine vessel that has taken such good care of us all for so many years, and, it will make you feel good!!! Everyone is welcome to come and help. We need you!

Due to an issue with the hydraulic trailer we have a few extra days of opportunity and White's. Contact: Captain Steve (845) 462-7756.

**A Note on Fundraising**

In order to get the Woody back without delay we need everyone's help and ideas.

Whether your pockets are deep or shallow, you have a lot of time, or can just give a few hours to make an event a success, we need the contributions of all of our supporters. When done we will have a boat that contains a little bit of all of us and all those who put so much into her in the past. Like Pete's grains of sand on the seesaw, together many small contributions can tip the balance and bring the Woody home.

Does your employer match contributions or give out community grants?

Do you have a friend who might like to join?

Do you know of a place that would host an event?

Do you have a fundraising idea?

Contact Rosemary Thomas or Sue Berliner or come to a fundraising committee meeting.

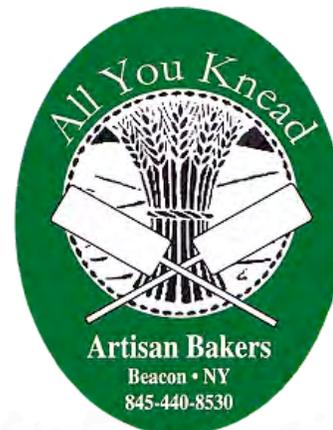
**Corn Festival 2015  
A Thank You in Pictures!**  
*Photos by Matt Tether & Alan Thomas*



Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report								
Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth								
July 28, 2015								
BSC General Fund	Amount	Snailmail	Paypal	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Donation	1546.61							
Where's the Woody	1166.42			1166.42				
Vendor	635.00				635.00			
Membership	250.00	250.00						
Sailing Class	50.00			50.00				
Bottle Return	24.35				24.35			
<b>Total</b>	<b>3648.03</b>							
Festival	-863.74				-863.74			
Woody Maintenance	-105.00			-105.00				
<b>Total</b>	<b>-968.74</b>							
<b>Total Monthly Income &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>2679.29</b>	<b>250.00</b>		<b>1111.42</b>	<b>-204.39</b>			
Opening Balance	240166.36							
Closing Balance	242845.65							

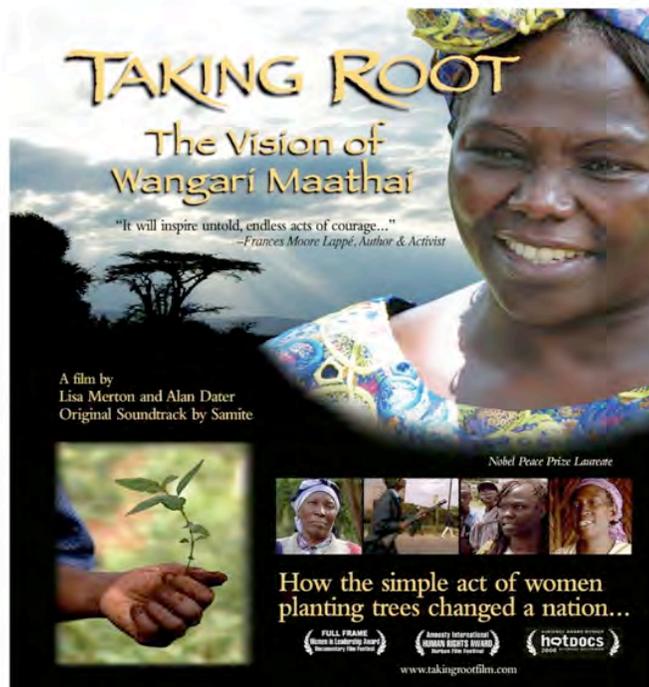


**106.5 IN BEACON**



**Movies that Matter Beacon  
Film Showing**

*Free Admission*



**Wishing a Speedy Recovery to Freddie Martin**

Member Feddie Martin was discharged from Hospital of Special Surgery in NYC and is housebound in Cold Spring. We wish him a speedy recovery!

He misses his friends at the Sloop Club. If you would like to offer your support he can be reached at:

[fred@hudsontrails.com](mailto:fred@hudsontrails.com)

**Friday, Aug. 28th, 7:30pm**

**McKinley Hall  
First Presbyterian Church of Beacon  
50 Liberty St., Beacon, NY 12508**

*Discussion & Refreshments after film  
Donations Accepted for film series*

*Co sponsors of film series:  
First Presbyterian Church of Beacon  
The Beacon Peace Awards Foundation  
Beacon Independent Film Festival  
Southern Dutchess N/AACP*

*info@moviesthatmatterbeacon.org  
(845) 838-2415, (914) 907-4928  
or sign up at eventbrite.com*

# Where's the **Woody** **Guthrie?**



[www.wherestthewoody.org](http://www.wherestthewoody.org)

Since 1978, when Pete and Toshi Seeger introduced the newly-launched ferry sloop *Woody Guthrie* to the Beacon Sloop Club, volunteer crews have provided free sails on the Hudson River to tens of thousands of guests. Folks from around the world have enjoyed sailing on this beautiful boat.

Now the boat is out of the water and in need of a major restoration. We have raised over \$200,000 to pay for this work but we are still far from our goal. Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to help us.

With your help, the *Woody* will be back in Beacon providing free sails to the public again in 2016.



For More Information, visit us at:  
[www.wherestthewoody.org](http://www.wherestthewoody.org)



## Current Calendar

**Executive Committee meeting**, Tues. Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>  
7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

**Beacon Sloop Club meeting** every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month: next meeting, Sept. 4th – potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m

**Farmers Market** every Sunday, 10-3 p.m.,  
At the Ferry Dock, Beacon NY

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

**Win a Clearwater Climate Change T-Shirt!**  
Win a free Climate Change T-shirt in Clearwater's new contest on Facebook!! Use the hashtag [#ClearwaterClimateAction](#) to enter and tell us what action you've taken to mitigate climate change. (Taking [Clearwater's Solar Pledge](#) gives you double entry into the contest!!) The contest ends August 31.



**Save the Date**

**Clearwater Gala  
to Honor  
Annie & Fred Osborn III**



**Sunday, November 15th**  
4:00-8:00 PM

**The Garrison**  
2015 US 9, Garrison, NY  
Festive Attire

 For more information  
call: 845-265-8080



**Woody Maintenance**, Contact Don Raskopf  
or Steve Schwartz

**Pumpkin Festival Sun. October 18**  
Contact: David Eberle

## FERRY SLOOPS

### 2015 Music & Lecture Series

Hosted by Shattemuc Yacht Club

**7:30PM** • FREE Admission • Potluck Supper 6:30PM

#### AUGUST 6

##### **Lisa Jane Lipkin**

*Singer-songwriter*

A piano-playing songstress with a folk-edged, soul-tinged, jazz-inflected, and very poetic take on life.

#### SEPTEMBER 2

##### **Lara Herscovitch**

*Singer, songwriter*

Highly original contemporary folk music with shades of blues, jazz, and pop influences.

#### OCTOBER 7

##### **Lives & Legends of Hudson River Fishes**

Tom Lake, *Estuary Naturalist for the NYSDEC*

Learn about the roles our fish have played since we first arrived here at least 12,000 years ago.

#### NOVEMBER 4

##### **Thomas Collyer: Ossining's Boatbuilder**

Miguel Hernandez, *Ossining Historian*

Mid-19th century designer and builder of Hudson River vessels that included: steamships, barks, and clipper ships.

More information: [ferrysloops.org](http://ferrysloops.org)

## We Need Volunteers for the Woody Fundraising Booth at Upcoming Events

**Spirit of Beacon Day ?**

**Pumpkin Sail?**

**Other Events?**

**You can sign up at:**

<http://doodle.com/pkyffqemz2423imn>

**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)