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Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 53 Years

A Message from Our President

The sounds of friendly conversation and laughter drifted into the cool summer evening, accompanied by stringed instruments and vocal harmonies. The annual Woody Guthrie Birthday celebration was everything that anyone could have hoped for, and more. About 50 people joined in the festivities, enjoying the conversation, music and food. Thanks to Susan Berliner for planning the event and furnishing delicious food and sumptuous refreshments. Thanks also to all those celebrants who contributed a tasty assortment of dishes and beverages. We are also grateful to Ken Miller for running the song circle and for all those fine musicians who joined in to honor the spirit of Woody Guthrie.

Congratulations to Captain James Malchow, our newest Sloop Woody skipper. His deft hand on the tiller, navigational instincts and meticulous and studious approach make him a perfect addition to the Beacon Sloop Club stable of captains. Now that Captain James will be at the helm for the Wednesday night sails, we have the capacity to welcome guests aboard our craft every weeknight. The Woody has been bustling with appreciative guests awed by majestic views of the Hudson from the vantage point of our sloop. Sincere thanks to all our gifted captains and their dedicated crews, who safely transport our honored guests each night. Thanks also to Susan Berliner for tirelessly and skillfully booking guests throughout the sailing season.

On August 14th, the Beacon Sloop Club will host the highly anticipated Corn Festival. This year's edition promises to be one of the best. There will be many wonderful vendors and exhibitions and an assembly of diverse musicians to grace the Main Stage and the Children's Stage. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to

Rosemary Thomas and all the coordinators and volunteers who has taken on the Herculean task of organizing and running the Corn Festival.

A special thanks goes to Joyce Hanson for arranging the planting of four maple saplings in the memory of four of our most beloved past members: Betty Harkins, Connie Hogarth, Flora Jones and Saul Rozinsky. The next time that you are walking on the path from Long Dock to the Beacon Sloop Club perhaps you'll remember to pause for a second, appreciate the trees and remember our four friends. Each, in their own way, was a pillar of strength and a source of inspiration.

Rob

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Another Corn Festival in the books, a thank you sail on the *Clearwater*, supporting Riverpool, the Woody gets a facelift, and much more.....



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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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Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, August 5, recorded by Vicki Fox

Bill Hudson opened us with a rousing number, "What Would Jesus Drive?"

Rob May welcomed us all. He gave a big thank-you to the multrum volunteers: Mary Arnold last month, Betsy Calhoun this month, and James Malchow next month.

Aaron Verdile gave the Treasury Report for June.

During her **Woody Guthrie post-party report**, Susan Berliner explained that every year we hold a Woody Guthrie birthday party on the Saturday closest to his birthdate, July 14. This year's was held July 16, and a wonderful time was had by all.

Josephine of **Greenway** announced that they were making the Saugerties Garlic Festival (October 1 and 2 this year) into a zero-waste event. Pretty impressive for an event attracting 30-50,000 guests. Greenway needs Garlic Festival volunteers. It's a great way to honor the spirit of Pete and Toshi. If you sign up to volunteer before August 30, you get a free T-Shirt. The volunteer application is at greenwayny.com; click on the *Zero Waste Opportunities* button. Josephine also offered to help us make our festivals zero-waste.

Joyce Hanson arranged the club **Clearwater Sail**. It will be August 8. We need to sign up in advance and show proof of vaccination; Clearwater will be doing contact-tracing.

Rosemary Thomas lifted an ear of corn and regaled us with some history of Hudson Valley Native Americans and corn during her Corn Festival report. The corn will be local and picked that morning. Rosemary passed out a sign-up sheet. Bonnie Champion is coordinating the corn prep; Joyce is her back-up. Patricia Finnerty is coordinating lemonade; Bonnie, watermelon; Nora Hamond, hot dogs; Joyce, the raffle; Tom LaBarr, Earth Care: James Malchow and David Eberle, setup/take-down; Rosemary is still in charge of coordinating the vendors but Joyce is training to take this over; Vince and Tom will be cooking corn; Susan, music, with Aaron as sound technician (Susan needs a trainee interested in helping to line up the music); Tom Elliott is taking over the E-tent for our dear Betty Harkins; Dave Eberle, road signs (he needs a back-up); Rosemary, the chimney banner; Alan Thomas, chili - he needs a back-up; Phyllis Newham, permits (with Constantine as a back-up); Rosemary, Volunteer Hospitality (but she needs a back-up); Joyce, portosans with Phyllis as her back-up; Constantine, price signs and wash-tent; Constantine, food setup; Joyce, publicity (she needs a backup); Aaron, financial matters.

After working three hours, the first 25 to sign up will receive a free tank top from Constantine. We plan to make a job-binder again with all the detailed instructions for volunteers. Set-up will start around 9. Corn will be \$3 (2 for \$5); Watermelon \$2; Hot Dogs \$5; Lemonade \$5. The corn will come in American, Mexican, Indian and Italian flavors. We now have two credit card outlets for food and merchandise. Also, we'll start collecting contact information of people who may be interested in joining the Club.

Betty Harkins was a true gem, a tireless worker for all things environmental. A celebration of Betty's life will be held at the clubhouse with her family on Saturday, September 10. Bring stories.

Alan and Rachel Zollner thanked all the tremendous volunteers that helped make the Riverswim happen for the 18th year. The goal to raise \$40,000 for the RiverPool at Beacon was exceeded. Photos will be posted on the Riverswim website and on the front page of the *Highland Current*. Alan told us that this year, the swim was dedicated to the memories of Connie Hogarth and Betty Harkins. About running it next year, said the Zollners, "we intend to pass the torch."

Steve Schwartz reported that the **Woody sloop** is working nicely. On Monday, August 15, she will be hauled out at White's Marina for under-hull cleaning, inspecting and painting. Also, James Malchow, volunteer extraordinaire, has graduated to full captain. He sails Wednesday night. Said Steve, "It's stunning to me - he got through captain training in three years. Congratulations to James and to us -- we're getting younger!"

While the boat is at White's, we need volunteers in both the daytime and the evening to do sanding, scraping, taping, brush clean-up. The Woody should get back into the water in 5 to 7 days. Steve passed a sign-up sheet.

Steve then reported on the status of the "Ed Teach", a 20-foot fiberglass Balboa sailboat training boat that we have not used for a long time. It's on our insurance policy and it's costing us money. The city is pressing us not to store our boaty stuff around. The Board has decided to dispose of the boat. It's sailable and has a trailer that needs work and needs to be moved. So, if you know anyone who wants to adopt this boat...It does not have a motor. You have to be a really good sailor to take it out.

Rosemary announced Clearwater's Hike for the Hudson fundraiser in September. Registration starts August 15. The fee is \$15.30, and you hike for 153 minutes. 153 is the number of miles Clearwater sails along the Hudson River. Clearwater wants as many people as possible to register. All kinds of categories of hikes will receive awards the first Sunday in October.

Tom LaBarr reminded us to check clothing labels to avoid buying clothing made out of plastic that deposits microplastic particles into the watershed when laundered. He also suggested keeping empty containers in the car for bringing home restaurant leftovers rather than adding to your plastic restaurant container collection. We will have old-fashioned paper straws at the festival this year.

John announced that on August 11 at 6:45, the Newburgh Library will have a historical review of Danskammer. Tom Elliott announced he has a leather chair and loveseat to give away. Alan Thomas said a couple items are missing-in-action from Strawberry. A small metal bowl and another metal bowl that someone must have taken home.



Thank You to Our Corn Festival Volunteers!

We were blessed with a beautiful day after several weeks of 90-degree weather. Thank you to everyone who came out to set-up(tents, stages, and vendors), husked, cooked and served the corn, managed sales, made and served chili and hot dogs, cut and served watermelon, made lemonade, emceed, managed the environmental displays, crewed, handled membership and merchandising, earth care, ran the sound, took on many more tasks, and especially those who stayed for take down and cleanup. Sounds like a lot of work (it certainly was.)



Join Clearwater's Hike for the Hudson Sept. 1 – Sept. 30

Sign up is now open. If you register early and order a t-shirt you can have it in time for those great fall photo ops. (You can just buy a shirt also.)



This event is a **Virtual Challenge**. Anyone, anywhere, can **Walk or Hike** and raise money to support Hudson River Sloop Clearwater's education and environmental programs.

Sign up to participate, then become a Fundraiser in order to accept donations to support your hiking. Join a team or participate on your own.. Post results and photos and share your favorite places.

Not able to hike in September, but still want to help:

You can <u>Support an Individual or Team</u> or simply <u>Donate</u> to the event and support Clearwater's programs.

https://runsignup.com/Race/NY/Beacon/clearwater

The 18th Annual Great Newburgh to Beacon Hudson River Swim.

Thank you to all our members who swam or volunteered to support our friends at Riverpool!



Hudson Valley Environmental News

Habitat For Humanity of Dutchess County (HFHDC) Receives \$1,250,000- Following her divorce, from Jeff Bezos, Mackenzie Scott, received 4% stake in Amazon. She said "I have a disproportionate amount of money to share, my approach to philanthropy will continue to be thoughtful. It will take time and effort and care, but I won't wait, and I will keep at it until the safe is empty." Good for her!

Recycling is one goal for the several Habitat for Humanity Re-sale Stores in our area. The stores have terrific bargains from building supplies, dressers to sport equipment. (Hudson Valley News May 11/17/22).



The Newburgh Urban Farm and Food initiative (NUFFI)- With global warming and the pollution of trucks delivering vegetables from other states, it is a positive trend to grow food locally. A 5/22 Lancet Commission report on pollution and health attributed nine million deaths worldwide to pollution in 2019 (one in six deaths). This due to air pollution, contaminated water, and toxic chemical exposures.

NUFFI is located at 207 Carpenter Ave. in the City of Newburgh. They have donated between 90 and 250 pounds of fresh produce weekly to the city's feeding programs since June 2020. NUFFI provides paid positions for local youth, a volunteer program, weekly bags of produce for purchase, and workshops whose past topics included planting a backyard garden, herbalism, beekeeping, and composting.

On April 30, the fourth annual Urban Farming Fair was held, partially sponsored by NUFFI. One booth provided flowers for folk's yards, another, Orange County Community College had pamphlets listing their innovative horticulture programs.

NUFFI's staff, who support employment and environmental justice come with an abundance of experience. Virginia Kasinki, Executive Director, has a background in community-based planning, and training local leaders. Christine Hutchinson, a teacher, is actively involved in plans to bring a co-op store to the city of Newburgh and designed a community service program for teen girls. Julie Noble, farm manager, owned a farm that sold vegetables, flowers, and herbs. Ahmad Free-Cohen, assistant grower, a former educator, runs a non-profit "Melanin Unchained" stressing economic equity, and character development. All are native to Newburgh. (NUFFI Website)

The EPA Is Awarding \$10.5 million "Brownfield Grants" to Local Communities- In May, it was announced the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has awarded grants to 265 communities including Newburgh. Safe Harbors of the Hudson will receive a \$500,000 assessment grant.

Representative Sean Patrick Maloney said that the grant to Safe Harbors will help continue rebuilding and revitalizing spaces in Newburgh. The fund use will range from cleaning building asbestos, lead contamination, cleaning abandoned properties that had exposure to dangerous chemicals, then redevelopment of cleaned lands to use for a solar farm, a park, affordable housing, etc. Brownfields is part of an initiative by President Biden to give grants to disadvantaged communities. (Mid-Hudson Times 5/19/22).

Submitted by: Nora Gallardo, Member Beacon Sloop Club.

Woody Guthrie's Birthday Celebration



Once again Susan Berliner organized this year's event to celebrate the birthday of Pete's friend and the namesake of our beloved sloop. It was a great chance for our volunteers to relax, socialize, and share those great Woody songs between festivals.



The Woody Report



What a week it's been! After a full day of guest sails at the corn festival, the boat was transited up to White's Marina for a much-needed haul out. It's been three years since she's been out of the water, and we weren't sure what we would find.

We are happy to report that the boat was in great shape, with no significant repairs needed, just a lot of scraping (those barnacles are tough), a little bit of caulking, and we were ready to paint.

The turnout of crew and other volunteers was phenomenal. With Max Smith in the lead, and captains rallying their crews each night, we were able to keep two shifts going every day. All the critical work needed to be able to launch was done by the end of Thursday! We are taking advantage of a few extra days to complete some other tasks as we wait for our turn in the lift. If all goes according to plan, we will be back in Beacon for Monday night's sail.





BSC Clearwater Sail



We want to thank the *Clearwater* crew for a beautiful sail. We were able to take advantage of a cancellation and jump onboard on short notice. Thank you to Joyce for scrambling to make all the arrangements.



Celebrating the Life of Betty Harkins

Saturday, Sept. 10 2-5 pm At the Clubbouse



Please join members of Betty's family for a celebration of her life.

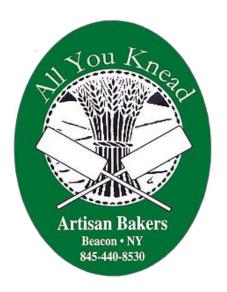
As one of our very earliest members, she has touched the lives of so many of our Clearwater family.

Bring your memories and stories to share as we honor her accomplishments and friendship over more than 50 years as a member and volunteer.

The Beacon Sloop Club, inc. Profit and Loss

June 2022

		Total
Income		
Contribution, Gifts, Grants		1,671.75
Legacies and Bequests		135.00
Woody Nickles		30.00
Total Contribution, Gifts, Grants	\$	1,836.75
Gross Sales of Inventory		1,032.00
In-kind Contributions		22.00
Investment Income		36.43
Interest-Money Market		5.94
Total Investment Income	\$	42.37
Membership		260.00
Paypal		
Snailmail Total Membership	\$	100.00 360.00
Other Revenue	•	360.00
		500.00
Harbor Mooring Fee Total Other Revenue	\$	500.00
Strawberry Festival	•	300.00
Shortcakes & Smoothies		10,397.00
Vendor		715.00
Total Strawberry Festival	\$	11,112.00
Total Income	\$	14,905.12
Gross Profit	\$	14,905.12
Expenses	•	14,505.12
Bank Expense		
Paypal		35.74
Total Bank Expense	\$	35.74
Facilities		•
Building		58.26
Utilities		795.13
Woody Maintenance		450.27
Total Facilities	\$	1,303.66
Other Expenses	•	1,000.00
Donation		2,000.00
Food Pantry		55.00
Total Donation	\$	2,055.00
Website		19.39
Total Other Expenses	\$	2,074.39
Printing, etc.		
Broadside		53.68
Total Printing, etc.	\$	53.68
Special Events Expenses		
Special Events Facilities		
Environmental	PT.	161.36
Total Special Events Facilities	\$	161.36
Total Special Events Expenses Strawberry Expense	\$	161.36 799.40
Cream		587.71
Eco supplies		1,285.89
Sanitation		315.00
smoothie expense - banana, ice Strawberries		129.81 3.025.00
Total Strawberry Expense	- S	6,142.81
Total Expenses	\$	9,771.64
Net Operating Income	\$	5,133.48
Net Income	\$	5,133.48
Opening Cash Balance 6/1/2022	\$	110,430.29
Closing Cash Balance 6/30/2022	\$	115,563.77
Change in Investment Value	28	-1,146.41
Total Balance 6/30/2022	\$	114,417.36
Unrestricted	\$	91,088.49
Unrestricted Restricted (total)*	Ś	23,328.87
B & S Rozinsky Fund 6/30/2022	\$ \$ \$	19,066.00
Board designated funds	\$	10,004.56









In Memoria Bill Chestnut

We share the sad news of Bill's passing. He was a long-time member of Clearwater, and revival volunteer.

Many of you know him as a fixture in the corn husking tent.

Bill also setup and donated our latest water hose for our festivals, a big step forward from the old black pipe.

Fair Winds...

Current Calendar

BSC Executive Committee Meeting

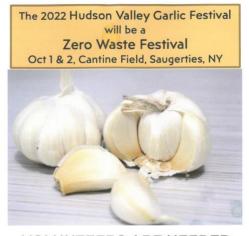
Wednesday, August 24 7:00 – 8:30pm At the Clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club Membership Meeting Friday, September 2, 6:30 – 10:00pm At the clubhouse

Celebrating the Life of Betty Harkins Saturday, September 10 2:00 – 5:00pm At the clubhouse

> Pumpkin Festival Sunday, October 16, Noon-5pm Pie Baking, Saturday October 15

Clearwater Annual Meeting Saturday October 15



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Please contact Greenway (Shabazz or Josephine) at 845-656-6071 or greenway777@aol.com

People are needed to work 3-hour shifts to oversee that the festival attendees are placing their recyclables, food waste, and a small of amount of trash in the correct receptacle.

Volunteers receive free entry into the festival and a free parking pass.

Volunteers who sign up prior to August 30, 2022 will receive a Garlic Festival tee-shirt.

"Participation - that's whats gonna save the haman race."



Anyone wishing to join a Woody crew can contact any captain or James Malchow to sign up. No experience is required. We will train you.

CLEARWATER'S HIKE for the HUDSON



Hike between Sept. 1 – Sept. 30 Sign up early and order a t-shirt.

Clearwater Public Sails

Public Sail – Kingston, NY @ HRMM Sep 10 @ 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Public Sail, Beacon, NY @ Metro-North Ferry Dock Sep 17 @ 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Public Sail Poughkeepsie @ Waryas Park Dock Oct 15 @ 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Public Sail- Beacon, NY @ Metro North Ferry Dock – Pumpkin Fest

Oct 16 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Public Sail- Beacon, NY @ Metro North Ferry Dock – Pumpkin Fest

Oct 16 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloopclub.org