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We would like to acknowledge Captain John Eginton and his crew on the *Mystic Whaler* for their terrific support during the spring sailing season.

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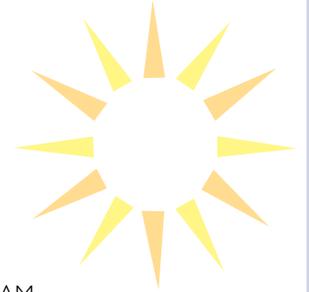
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## Clearwater 2013 Board Meetings:

- ◆ Thursday, January 24, 6:30 PM
- ◆ Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 PM
- ◆ Thursday, May 9, 6:30 PM
- ◆ Wednesday, June 26, 6:30 PM
- ◆ Sunday, September 15  
Annual Meeting  
(time & location TBD)
- ◆ Saturday, November 9, 10:00 AM  
Staff/Board Retreat  
(location TBD)



## on the cover



A bird's-eye view of Kingston's Rondout Landing with the sloop *Clearwater*, home to the Hudson River Maritime Museum, and the new 4,600-square-foot, two-story Kingston Home Port and Education Center. On September 15, an Amish-style barn raising took place as thousands gathered to watch while they were entertained by musicians throughout the day.  
*Photo by Randall Wolf.*

# Kingston, NY: a Major Hudson River Destination

Jeff Rumpf, Executive Director



We are very excited to see the Kingston Home Port and Education Center finally become a reality and satisfy a 40-year dream to have a permanent, protected, dedicated port and repair shop for our beloved sloop *Clearwater*. Yet the new Kingston Home Port and Education Center is and can be much more, especially at this critical time when the region and *Clearwater* are working to revitalize a new sustainable economy in the Hudson Valley.

Pete once told me that the most important issue for the environmental movement and the future of our species lies with creating a new sustainable economy, especially in our postindustrial cities. We humans need to grow an economy like nature herself, a renewable, sustainable circle, not a race over a cliff that we are on now.

Our Hudson River economy needs a Kingston Home Port – just as Long Island Sound has Mystic Seaport, a major tourist attraction in Connecticut that drives a massive economic engine and built on the maritime history and culture of the Northeast. I visited the town of Mystic, CT this summer and was excited to see the ripple-effect of how

“Green Cities” base of operations to teach a new urban generation about the principles of sustainability. Students will learn about green infrastructure practices like stormwater runoff mitigation and build rain barrels and rain gardens. They will learn key ecology principles and watershed management practices to promote a healthy river.

Students will also learn how to build small boats and repair large historic vessels like the sloops *Clearwater* and *Woody Guthrie*.

Also, our youth will be taught the tradition of cause music through our Power of Song program and carry on the legacy of Pete Seeger – to inspire people through song to take action for the environment. World-class music paired with maritime history and celebrations of tall ships will all make Kingston a major Hudson River destination and model of Green City revitalization for the Hudson Valley.

Join us...we are just getting started for a better future!

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Photo rendering courtesy of Allan Shope

their presence catalyzes a resurgence of sustainable industries far beyond shipbuilding. Local food restaurants, farm markets, historic hotels, music venues, kayak rentals, art shops, play houses, nature museums, fishing charters, sightseeing vessels, and wineries were all jammed with people. Mystic Seaport had humble beginnings, but was built on a strong foundation rooted in our past with a vision for a better future. They are doing wonderful work – and we can replicate that here in the Hudson Valley.

With *Clearwater* and Hudson River Maritime Museum’s partnership, we are rooted in the historic past and working with a vision for a sustainable future. Together with the City of Kingston and the State of New York, along with thousands of wonderful grassroots supporters, we can build something great together! This Hudson River port will drive tourism, promote the maritime heritage and shipbuilding trade, and help revitalize Kingston – a world class port in the 19th and early 20th century – to its own renewed glory.

As an added bonus, the Kingston Home Port will be used as a



Photo by Randall Wolf



# Hudson River Maritime Museum, Clearwater, and Kingston Community Take Part in the Home Port Barn Raising

By Allan Shope, Clearwater Board President, Architect, and Project Co-Chair

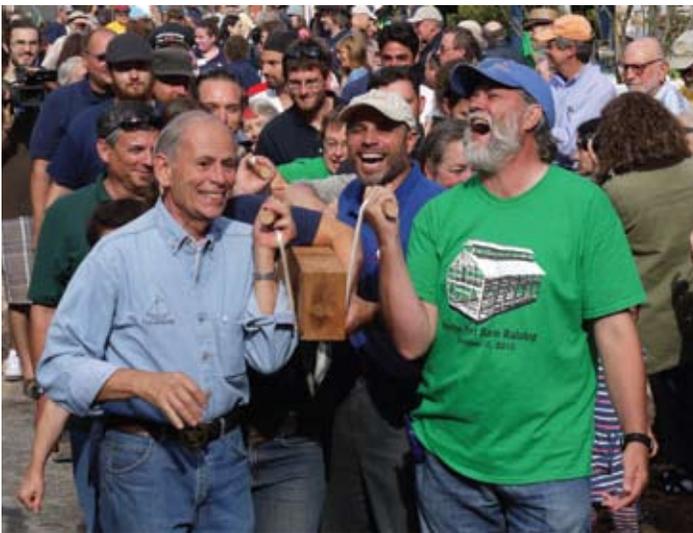
On September 15th, a daylong construction took place on Rondout Creek in Kingston, NY involving a crew of approximately 60 dedicated souls and a strong crane working together to assemble the timber frame parts of what will become the new home port for the sloop *Clearwater*. Hundreds of people gathered from all walks of life to lend their support for the new facility and for the revitalization of the Kingston waterfront.

By sunset the timber frame was complete and Pete Seeger took a moment with the youth in attendance to inaugurate the new building with a very touching rendition of "If I had a Hammer." Many of the diverse groups who have supported this project from its inception

were present for the raising of the building and assisted in the construction process.

In the upcoming years, a wonderful collaboration between the Hudson River Maritime Museum and Clearwater is set to evolve. The two groups have agreed to share the new facility, with the Museum being the primary occupant during the summer; and Clearwater being the primary occupant during the winter when the annual sloop repairs will begin in the new woodshop housed within the building. This repair work involves working with enormous pieces of wood to replace parts of the sloop that have disintegrated over time. Small scale wood boat building will also be a primary use of the building in an effort to create river access for Kingston youth.

The new facility, in addition to being a woodshop and boat building center, will also host a variety community programs, musical events, and workshops throughout the year.



Kingston Home Port and Education Center barn raising, September 15, 2012. Photos by Randall Wolf





## Sloop Builder's Granddaughter Sets Sail with Clearwater

By Jennie Butler, 2012 Onboard Volunteer and Harvey Gamage Descendent

My history with the sloop *Clearwater* goes back to its beginnings, because Harvey Gamage, the man who built her, was my grandfather. Although I was only 9 years old, I remember attending *Clearwater's* launch on May 17, 1969 at Harvey Gamage Shipyard in South Bristol, Maine. I was one of the children selected to help christen her.

This summer I decided to volunteer as an onboard educator. I joined the onboard program for 4 days in August and it was thrilling to see the *Clearwater* still in action after her launch 43 years ago!

On board the sloop, the crew and the other volunteers were sorted into "watches" and focused on learning about sailing, navigation, plant and animal life, and the Hudson River watershed. The 24 students onboard this educational intensive trip were incoming freshmen from Colgate University.

Each day everyone participated in preparing the sloop to set sail, cleaning her, and then taking time to learn about their topic. Meals were served onboard and included a wide variety of delicious foods, many of which were local and fresh. The sloop docked in a different location every night where we camped on shore.

We encountered some nasty thunderstorms and rain during our first day of sailing, but the wind cooperated for our second day while we sailed upriver from Alpine, NJ. That night we docked at Constitution Island directly across the river from West Point, NY.

On the third day we sailed 20 miles and ended the journey at the Poughkeepsie, NY boat dock at Waryas Park. That evening we

*Pictured above, Jennie Butler, granddaughter of the sloop's builder, Harvey Gamage, at the tiller of the Clearwater, which she helped christen as a child over 43 years ago. Photo by Julia Church.*

were treated to a special musical presentation by Linda Richards from *Clearwater's* "Power of Song" program. She sang several of Pete Seeger's songs including, My Dirty Stream: "Sailing up my dirty stream, still I love it and I'll keep the dream, that some day, though maybe not this year, my Hudson River will once again run clear."

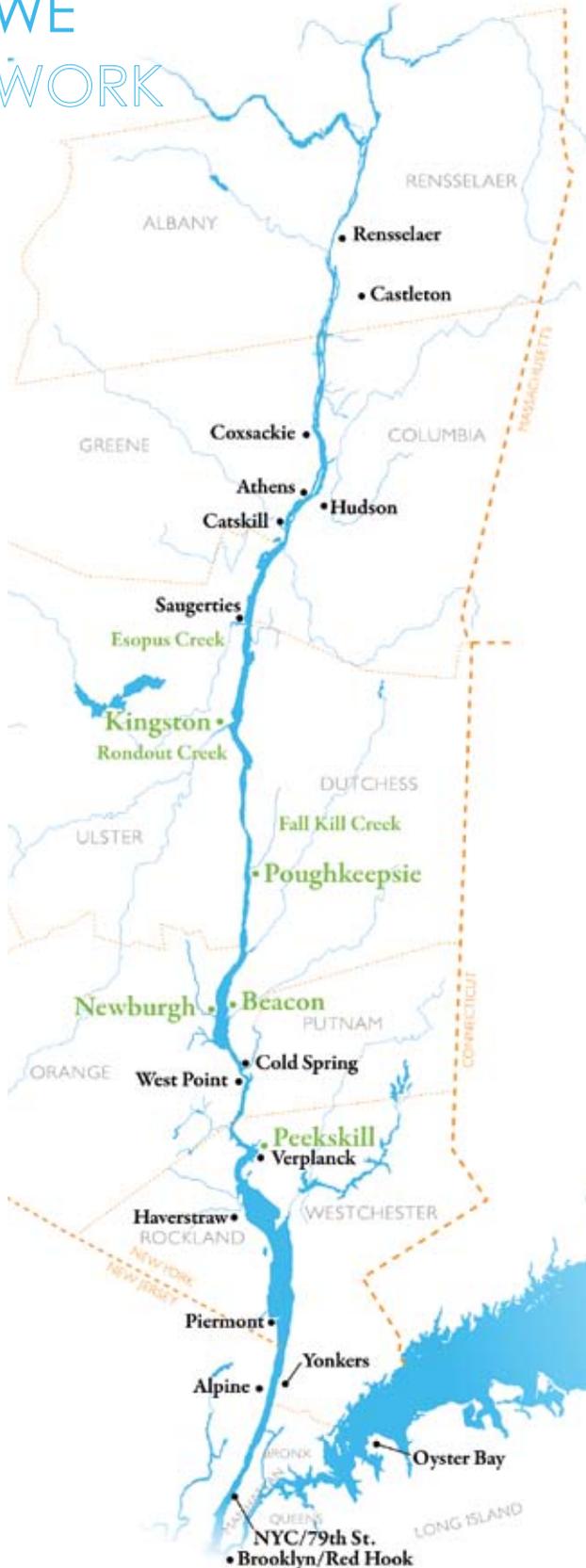
On our last day, we were underway before breakfast and had clear sailing for the final 16 miles to the Beacon, NY dock, where the students and I disembarked.

The legacy of a well-built Maine boat lives on and is still focused on advocating for the Hudson River. Since *Clearwater's* launch, over 500,000 students have learned about the Hudson River estuary aboard the sloop and nearly 15,000 students participate in *Clearwater* programs every year.

I plan to volunteer aboard her for many summers to come.

*Jennie Butler lives in Windham, Maine with her husband, Brian, has two college age sons, and is a high school math teacher. For more information about Harvey Gamage Shipyard, please visit [www.gamageshipyard.com](http://www.gamageshipyard.com). If you are interested in volunteering onboard the sloop, please contact Majja Niemistö, Director of Shipboard Programs at [Majja@Clearwater.org](mailto:Majja@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7115.*

# WHERE WE WORK



## *Volunteer With Clearwater!*

Clearwater is a grassroots organization built by individuals donating their time, energy and skills to preserve and protect the Hudson River and its communities. Volunteers are the life-blood and legacy of this great effort. Come join us! Volunteer with Clearwater!



### **Onboard Volunteers**

Clearwater looks for onboard volunteers with a passion for teaching, who love young people and are comfortable leading small group activities. You don't need previous sailing experience to volunteer onboard the sloop, but a background in teaching, environmental issues, music, or

earth sciences are a plus.

Each week from mid-April to the end of October, the sloop *Clearwater* and the schooner *Mystic Whaler* accept 6 volunteers to live aboard the boat, help sail our ship, and teach our education program. For more information, contact Maija Niemistö, Director of Shipboard Programs, at [Maija@Clearwater.org](mailto:Maija@Clearwater.org) or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7115



### **Festival Volunteers**

Join us for an incredible weekend in June as a Clearwater Festival volunteer. Play a role in putting on Clearwater's annual music and environmental festival at Croton Point Park in Westchester County, NY. Volunteers are needed for many committees. Various shifts available with time off for taking in this wonderful event while giving the gift of volunteerism! For more information, contact Linda Richards, Volunteer Coordinator, at [VolCoord@Clearwater.org](mailto:VolCoord@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7105.

Clearwater offers a variety of volunteer opportunities. Contact Linda Richards, Clearwater's Volunteer Coordinator at [VolCoord@Clearwater.org](mailto:VolCoord@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7105, and she will help find the best volunteer opportunity for you.

## HELP CLEARWATER SAIL ON!

# Major Repairs Scheduled for the Sloop

By Nicholas Rogers, Clearwater Captain

The sloop *Clearwater* is an historic replica of the cargo sailing vessels that dominated the Hudson Valley and New York Harbor in the late 18th century and 19th century. Two hundred years ago, sloop cargo was mostly comprised of farm and agricultural goods from upstate, which were delivered downriver to New York City. The finished manufactured goods were then delivered back upstream.

Today, *Clearwater's* cargo is people including children, youth and school groups, college students, maritime and river enthusiasts, environmentalists, and visitors to the Hudson Valley region who join us onboard the sloop as she sails the Hudson from Albany to New York City sharing the inspiring story of how Pete Seeger and his friends came together in 1966 to "build a boat to save a river."

Every fall, the captains are faced with the daunting task of assessing the toll the river has taken on our beloved wooden tall ship. *Clearwater* is built of wood using historic methods, materials and tools, and although the sloop is well built, she is aging.

In the past eight years, *Clearwater* has worked to plan and implement a proactive and vigorous maintenance schedule to keep this historic classroom sailing for another forty years, and to ensure the safety of the over 12,000 students that cross her deck every year. *Clearwater* is preparing for a long winter haul out – its largest restoration in decades. This winter will see the replacement the back two thirds of the vessel and everything below the water line – including the centerboard trunk, the shaft log and the horn timber – all key components to the sloop's operations. Because these components are so intricately tied into and part of the backbone of the sloop, this process also requires the repairing of over 70 frames and about 100 planks, as well as the whole transom, and including installing the original covering board across the stern of the deck.

With this phase completed, almost all major structural work in our

current 5 year plan with the U.S. Coast Guard will be completed – a historic achievement.



*We want to ensure that the sloop Clearwater heralds the coming of spring now and in the future. Donate today and your support to Clearwater will be doubled by a state grant we are currently working under. With your commitment, you are contributing to the largest restoration effort on the Clearwater in decades and ensuring that thousands more youth are inspired, educated and activated for generations to come. To learn how you can help with the sloop restoration, please contact Heidi Kitlas at (845)265-8080 ext. 7118.*



## State Agency Helps Make Restorations & Continued Sailing Achievable

By Eileen Newman, Grants & Major Gifts Coordinator

As an organization that operates a large wooden tall ship as the cornerstone of its environmental education programs, *Clearwater* understands all too well how expensive it is to restore our beloved sloop each winter season. Currently in the midst of a five year restoration plan – the most extensive in *Clearwater's* history – that financial pain is felt even more as we look to the winter season that will see the replacement of the two-thirds aft of the sloop – an ambitious plan that must happen.

Past extensive support from our members, donors, and government agencies has made the continued restoration and operation of the sloop *Clearwater* possible. The New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (NYS OPRHP) has also been primarily instrumental in supporting the last two major restoration seasons for the sloop. Additionally, *Clearwater* has been awarded a significant grant by NYS OPRHP

to substantially contribute towards the building of our first ever home port in Kingston, NY.

The Kingston Home Port & Education Center will allow *Clearwater* to not only, for the first time in its history, have our own woodshop to perform winter restoration, but will also allow us to offer traditional maritime boat building programming, Green Infrastructure community training, and continue our annual Winter Open Boat celebrations.

Due to the continued support of this great government partner and their public recognition of the importance of historic preservation to the future of this great state and to the next generation, *Clearwater* is able to keep an iconic American vessel sailing and to continue to inspire, educate, and activate thousands of people to care about their environment.



# Clearwater's River Cities Initiative Continued... Saturation Education!

By Dave Conover, Education Director

When most people think of Clearwater education, they think of a sail on the sloop with a group of 4th graders. While our "Sailing Classroom" has reached many thousands of kids over the years, Clearwater has developed a variety of other programs that bring the Hudson to life for students, even if they don't get the chance to sail. These include interactive classroom visits and our Tideline shore-based field trips.

All of our programs are designed to use the Hudson River as a learning station. The Hudson really is a unique river, and the people of the Hudson Valley have a deep tradition in protecting the quality of life here. Using the Hudson as a way to engage students in hands-on science and develop connections to the rich heritage of the river is, as they say, a no-brainer.

When Clearwater originally developed the Tideline program, the idea was to reach kids who could not participate in a group sail, bring them to the Hudson's shore, and do many of the same hands-on learning stations that are done on the boat. We decided to enhance that program by including a visit to the classroom in addition to the field trip to the river's edge, thus extending the impact of the learning. The Tideline program model has been a big success.

What if every student from every river city could, sometime during the course of their schooling, have a sail on *Clearwater* along with a trip to the river's shore combined with in-class program support and, to top it off, opportunities to participate in internships and volunteer programs

over the summer? This is Clearwater's continuum of learning, and it gives kids at all age levels the chance to develop a relationship with the Hudson.

Clearwater's River Cities Initiative is seeking to connect kids from river communities to the Hudson and get them excited about the environment. Clearwater is looking to build the funding that is needed to support a whole host of river-based learning activities. By saturating the kids with program opportunities throughout their school lives, the result will be a new generation of environmental leaders who have the knowledge, motivation, and critical thinking skills to take on the serious challenges of the future.

The new Kingston Homeport and Education Center, a partnership between Clearwater and the Hudson River Maritime Museum, will serve as a great resource for our River Cities Initiative. Apart from being the sloop's new winter home, the Center will provide a space for education along the Rondout Creek that includes Clearwater's "winter bos'un" apprentice program, small boat excursions, ecology studies that address wastewater, climate change and green infrastructure, public forums on sustainability, and collaborations with the Hudson River Maritime Museum. River education has never looked more promising!

*If you are interested in working with Clearwater to develop this initiative in your community, please contact Dave Conover, Education Director at [Dave@Clearwater.org](mailto:Dave@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7104.*



Photo by Augustus Menezes.

## POWER OF SONG:

# New Beginnings in Kingston

Linda Richards, Power of Song Coordinator

Clearwater's Power of Song Apprentice Program – now three years old – has grown and changed, and it continues to bring the concerns and music of young people to audiences throughout the Hudson Valley. The program all started with a little group of kids and a 91-year-old mentor, Pete Seeger, here at the Clearwater office in Beacon, NY. In weekly meetings, we would sing, hear stories, learn, and share songs. Our mentor passed the torch to the kids who continue to meet in Beacon, and we are now looking forward to new beginnings as our Kingston Home Port and Education Center becomes a reality.

Power of Song engages young musicians through music with meaning, and the continued development of literacy through song. Our Power of Song Apprentice Program

*“An outstanding model for using literacy to bring young people into democratic processes.”*

*–Ross Collin, Manhattanville College*

involves young adults from 15-23 years old, and includes a middle school/high school version through the Haldane School District in Cold Spring, NY, as well. The participants perform at a variety of venues including clubs, veterans' hospitals, school events, and at the Clearwater Festival.

We hope to create satellite versions of these programs in Kingston this year by working through Kingston City Schools and youth groups.



Pictured above, Power of Song Apprentices, from left: Joe Krzyzewski, Casey Richards, Ava Bynum, Sarah Armour. Photo by Econosmith.



### **We can change the world... one song at a time!**

If you are interested in having Power of Song perform at your school or organization, or if you are interested in joining as an apprentice, please check out our website for more information, [www.Clearwater.org](http://www.Clearwater.org), or contact Linda Richards, Power of Song Coordinator.

**Contact:** Linda Richards at  
(845) 265-8080 ext. 7105 or  
[Linda@Clearwater.org](mailto:Linda@Clearwater.org).

## *Sail the Hudson River Aboard an Historic Tall Ship!*

From April to the end of October every year, the sloop *Clearwater* sails the Hudson River with kids and adults of all ages. Whether you're interested in booking an education sail, chartering the boat for a private party or fundraiser, or setting sail on a public sailing adventure, we'd love to have you aboard!

## *Don't miss the boat this year!*

For more information about sailing, shoot us an e-mail at [Sail@Clearwater.org](mailto:Sail@Clearwater.org), or give us a call at (845) 265-8080 ext. 7107.



## Storage of High-Level Nuclear Waste to be Addressed by NRC

By Manna Jo Greene, Environmental Action Director

Clearwater and our partners are concerned about the hazards of long-term storage of high-level radioactive waste at Indian Point. On July 9, 2012, Clearwater filed a related safety contention involving the densely packed storage of spent fuel rods in overcrowded fuel pools at Indian Point Units 2 and 3, which are up for relicensing in 2013 and 2015 respectively. With Riverkeeper, we also signed on to an environmental contention on waste storage filed by the NY State Attorney General's office. Given that the decision has been made that Yucca Mountain will not become the national repository for the nation's high-level

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radioactive waste, it continues to amass at nuclear power plants across the nation without a solution for its long-term storage in sight.

On June 8, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued a landmark decision when it ruled that the Nuclear Regulatory Commission should have considered the potential environmental effects in the event that a permanent repository for disposing of spent fuel is never built, and found other deficiencies with the agency's consideration of leaks and fires involving spent fuel pools. "Waste confidence" is a generic finding

that spent nuclear fuel can be safely stored for decades beyond the licensed operating life of a reactor without significant environmental effects – but no assessment has ever been done about long-term on-site storage.

On August 7, the NRC Commissioners, under newly appointed Chairwoman Allison Macfarlane, voted to put on hold all licensing or relicensing for any nuclear power plants in the U.S. until the issue of spent fuel storage is resolved. At this point, our waste storage contentions were put into abeyance until the matter is appropriately addressed by the NRC. On September 6, the NRC ordered staff to prepare a full environmental impact statement (EIS) regarding on site storage of nuclear waste to be completed within 24 months.

On October 15 Clearwater and Riverkeeper settled a contention about the leaks of radioactivity from Indian Point into the Hudson River by getting Entergy to agree to add another monitoring site in Haverstraw Bay. Then, on October 23, Clearwater presented its contention regarding the inadequate assessment of potential Environmental Justice impacts of relicensing the Indian Point reactors for another 20 years to the Atomic Safety Licensing Board, with a favorable outcome anticipated.

For more information, contact Manna Jo Greene, Environmental Action Director at [MannaJo@Clearwater.org](mailto:MannaJo@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7113.

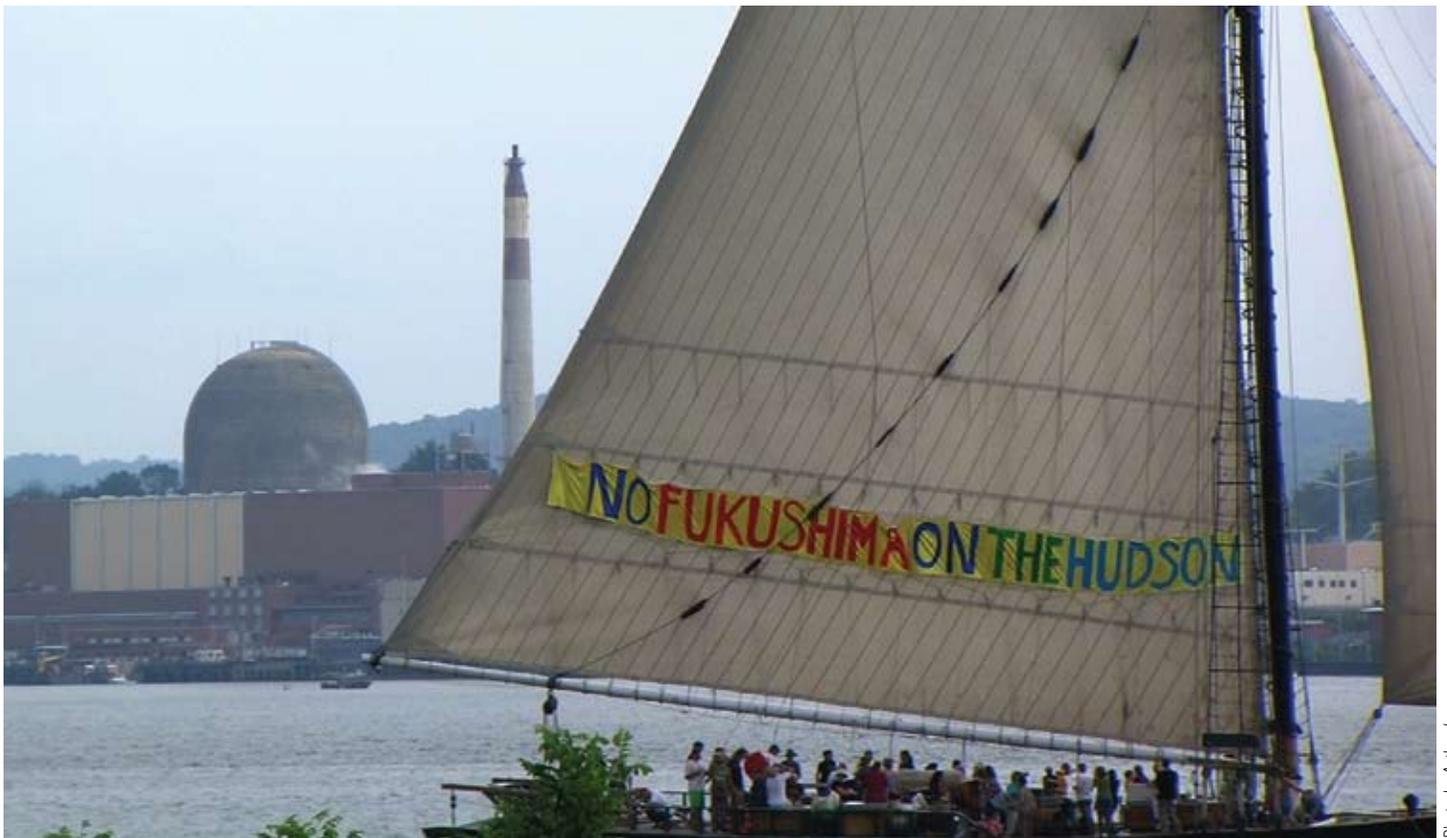


Photo by Arthur Jones.

## Kingston – The First “Green City”

Victor-Pierre Melendez, Green Cities Initiative Director



Kingston, as a Clearwater Green City, is establishing a model for helping Hudson Valley residents put the “ECO” back into their local economies as they get involved in protecting, conserving, and improving the natural environments in which they live.

The Green Cities Initiative demonstrates Clearwater’s ongoing

commitment to the Riverfront cities of the Mid-Hudson Valley Region in their pursuit of a more sustainable future. Over the last ten years, Clearwater has laid the foundation within its Green Cities Initiative for a new collaborative Education Pipeline. This initiative has three basic parts involving education, action, and planning, and is laying a foundation for Hudson River Valley residents to participate in the new green economy.



Pictured above, Clearwater Green Cities Initiative team: Jeff Rumpf, Victor-Pierre Melendez, Karla Raimundi, and Ryan Palmer.

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Clearwater’s Green Cities Initiative seeks to incorporate principles of sustainability into all phases of municipal planning and community development and to educate and empower stakeholders to take on the most pressing environmental issues that affect their community. The end goal is a healthier, greener, and more equitable Hudson Valley. For more information, contact Victor-Pierre Melendez, Green Cities Initiative Director at [Victor@Clearwater.org](mailto:Victor@Clearwater.org), or (845) 265-8080, ext. 7144.

## Highlights from Clearwater’s Green Cities Initiative in Kingston:

### **Watershed:**

Clearwater has worked in partnership with the City of Kingston to craft grants to implement Climate Adaptation assessments and has helped acquire funding for additional watershed work. The watershed work evaluates the relationship between the natural boundaries of the Rondout watershed and the urban and sewershed area of the city. The Rondout Creek Watershed Council, incubated by Clearwater in 2006, continues to provide guidance and consultation as needed to the watershed planning efforts of Kingston.

### **Green Infrastructure:**

The Hudson Valley Regional Council (HVRC) received funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to conduct a green infrastructure (GI) planning project in 2010-2011. This project was designed to support protection and restoration of watersheds in seven waterfront cities in the Hudson Valley region. The project team, which included HVRC, the Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, the Hudson River Watershed Alliance, and technical and educational advisors including the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District and eDesign Dynamics LLC, conducted outreach and worked with municipal leaders, property owners, volunteer design professionals, and others to develop ten conceptual project plans for the City of Kingston and was completed in Fall 2012. Three of the ten conceptual plans have been implemented. The funding for

this project was administered by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

### **Environmental and Climate Justice:**

As part of an EPA Environmental Justice Small Grant entitled, “Advancing Climate Justice in Four Hudson Valley Cities,” Clearwater has been successful in expanding its outreach to the Spanish-speaking community, an important and often underserved group in the Hudson Valley. This Climate Justice (CJ) project was designed to increase the knowledge of environmental justice, public health, and climate change in affected communities in Beacon, Kingston, Poughkeepsie, and Peekskill. The Office of Environmental Justice (EJ) of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation contains Potential Environmental Justice Areas (PEJAs), and has identified these four cities. Climate Justice work endeavors to alleviate any unequal burdens created by climate change on communities of color and low income by safeguarding their rights, promoting the fair treatment, and meaningful involvement in the implementation of environmental laws and regulations. To achieve these goals, Clearwater educated EJ communities about the environmental harm that may be affecting them. In this regard, Clearwater has partnered with the Climate Taskforce in the City of Kingston, a group that works locally as an outreach and planning program that targets municipal responsibilities and encourages community engagement.

NEWS FROM THE 2012 ANNUAL MEETING:

## Kingston Home Port: A New Place – A New Beginning

By Linda Richards, Power of Song, Volunteer, and Events Coordinator

Clearwater's 2012 Annual Meeting will live far beyond this year's gathering in the minds of many. On Saturday, September 15, the Clearwater Board of Directors, membership, staff, crew, and volunteers came together to elect new board members and to celebrate Clearwater's partnership with the Hudson River Maritime Museum and the City of Kingston with the barn raising for the new Kingston Home Port and Education Center.

Funded in part by the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, and located on the Rondout Creek in Kingston, NY, our new jointly-operated building is nestled next to the tugboat *Mathilda* and only steps away from the valley's history-laden Hudson River Maritime Museum (HRMM).

In the early morning hours that day, long before Clearwater's Annual Meeting even began, members of the Timber Framers Guild arrived on site and set up for the day's agenda: painting the giant doors, sanding and prepping beams, and eventually erecting the main supports of the building.

Once noontime came around and the Annual Meeting was in full swing, the blossoming crowd was swept up in a festival atmosphere. Potluck food was shared and generous donations from Kingston's own Starbucks and Stone Soup Food Company were enjoyed by all. An eclectic mix of musical numbers were performed at the gazebo by Haldane School's Power of Song, Clearwater's Power of Song Apprentices, Center for Creative Education's Percussion Orchestra of Kingston, or "POOK", with CCE's Energy Dance Company, Ancient Order of Hibernians, and Rich Hines and the Hillbilly Drifters.

To start the Barn Raising ceremony, the crowd gathered at the new building's foundation where Pete Seeger, accompanied by both Power of Song youth groups and children from the Maple Ridge Bruderhof, led the crowd in a rousing rendition of his "Hammer Song" to start things off. Dignitaries spoke enthusiastically about this important collaborative community effort, setting the tone for the



future. We heard from Jeff Rumpf and Patrick McDonough, Clearwater and HRMM Executive Directors; Allan Shope, Clearwater Board President and project architect; Jack Weeks, HRMM Vice-President and project co-chair; Shayne Gallo, Mayor of Kingston; Tom Alworth, Office of Parks Deputy Commissioner; Kevin Cahill, NYS Assemblyman; and Nina Postupack, Ulster County Clerk. The speakers' remarks were followed by a procession of four teams that included Clearwater and HRMM folks, who walked the giant connecting beams to their final positions in the structure. The traditional pine tree was placed in the corner of the top of the supports and a bright beginning was launched.

*Pictured below: Clearwater's 2012-2013 Board of Directors onboard the sloop as she is moored at the Kingston waterfront. In the background are the supports for the New Kingston Home Port and Education Center facility. Photo by Randall Wolf.*



# Clearwater Welcomes New Board Members

The Annual Meeting is always an important event and provides Clearwater members with the opportunity to participate in the vital function of electing Board candidates into office. Clearwater Board members play key creative roles in fundraising, event planning, program development, financial management, public relations and project management, and serve as spokespersons and ambassadors for Clearwater. This year, two new Board members were elected to the Clearwater Board, and four members were re-elected. We are excited to welcome them to the Board.

## Greg Julian Tomkins Cove, NY

In his 22nd year as a professor at Pace University teaching Political Science, Greg is a 40-year Hudson Valley resident and a "Close Indian Point" activist. Greg motivates his students through exercises and simulations to promote an understanding for the need for a paradigm shift to usher in sustainable development as a pathway for peace, energy use and stewardship of our planet.

A community organizer, Greg has volunteered with and contributed to the successes of organizations such as People to People, Rockland County's largest hunger relief organization; the



Environmental Directory; and Planned Parenthood of Rockland. Greg continually makes improvements on his energy-efficient house, enjoys organic gardening and plays harmonica.

## Dean Lentz Cold Spring, NY

Dean C. Lentz is partner and Chief Operating Officer of Cyber City, Inc. He leads a staff of some 30 people and directs the operations of the company to provide enterprise-level IT solutions to small businesses worldwide.

A former musician and composer, Dean has long been involved with organizations that promote positive change and awareness. He is an active member of Amnesty International. In South Carolina he worked with organizations toward ending capital punishment in the state, and to establish legislation to enact statewide recycling programs.

Dean is a vegetarian, a gardener and an avid cyclist. He, his wife and daughter live in Cold Spring, New York.



Please join us in welcoming Greg and Dean to the Clearwater Board of Directors. Clearwater's returning Board members are Stephen Filler, Roberta Goldberg, Ross Gould, and Anne Todd Osborn.



Photo by Jean Claude Fouere.

# Holiday Gifts

When you make a purchase from the Clearwater Store, you are not just buying a gift for yourself or a loved one – you are helping to support Clearwater's educational programs and environmental advocacy.

In addition to the merchandise profiled below, please consider supporting your vision of a clean, green Hudson Valley by making a contribution or by purchasing a membership for someone you know.

Your support keeps us sailing!

## Clearwater Nightlight

The Clearwater nightlight is a glass replica of the *Clearwater*. Each ship is hand created from stained glass and curved panels cut from conventional beverage bottles and drinking glasses. Let the *Clearwater* light your way at night. Proudly made in the USA. Measures 5" x 3" from base of light.

**\$35.00**



To order, visit us online at:  
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 or call (845) 265-8080, ext. 7119.

You can have your order sent as a gift; please include packing and shipping instructions. Holiday delivery is only guaranteed on orders placed by December 16th.



## Limited Edition Collectible 2012 Clearwater Festival Pin

This first ever festival pin is an exact duplicate of the 2012 festival T-shirts. For all you pin collectors and pin lovers. Pin measures 1" x 1".

**\$5.00**

## Clearwater EcoBag

Certified Organic Cotton Canvas Bag. Don't brown or plastic bag your lunch; use our EcoBag lunch sack.

**\$9.00**



## Clearwater Pilsner Glass

This 16oz Pilsner Glass has our beloved sloop *Clearwater* on it in pewter. Glass measures 8.5" tall.

**\$15.00**



## Clearwater Shot Glass

Clearwater Shot Glass with our beloved sloop on it in pewter. Glass measures 2.5" tall.

**\$10.00**



## Distressed Military Hats

This military-style hat is distressed to perfection for comfortable style. One size fits most. Comes in three colors: Camouflage, Tan & Black

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### Giving: Endowment

By Heidi Kitlas, Development Director



The endowment allows you to help ensure that the sloop *Clearwater* continues to sail and provide environmental education opportunities for your children and grandchildren, and for thousands of others throughout the Hudson Valley and beyond. Giving to the endowment enables you to be a presence at Clearwater forever. Your contribution will aid in critical restoration and maintenance of the historic wooden vessel and ensure that Pete Seeger's message of environmental awareness will last. Allowing Clearwater to be less dependent on unpredictable sources of revenue, the endowment ensures that promising programs, individuals, and initiatives have the continual, steady support they need to keep sailing in the future.

Contributing to the endowment is an act of great generosity and vision. Donors who decide to support Clearwater in this capacity do so because they understand the importance of supporting the organization not only during their lifetime, but for generations to come. These visionary individuals, families, and organizations have made it possible for the new Kingston Home Port & Education Center in Kingston, NY to be built, which has created a permanent home for the sloop during the winter months.

Many donors choose to support Clearwater through the sloop endowment in order to honor a loved one or to memorialize an important figure in their life. This ensures that their name and generosity will forever be a guiding force in Clearwater's future success.

For additional information on the sloop *Clearwater* endowment, please contact Heidi Kitlas, Development Director, at (845) 265-8080; ext. 7118 or [Heidi@Clearwater.org](mailto:Heidi@Clearwater.org).

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 I am interested in learning about planned giving options and how I can include Clearwater in my will.

### Payment All membership contributions are tax-deductible.

- Check payable to Clearwater    Check Number \_\_\_\_\_  
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Clearwater's efforts to defend and restore the Hudson River depend on the support of its members. When you join Clearwater, you are part of a great community of members and volunteers who are working for a better future and believe that individuals can make a difference in bringing about a cleaner, greener, safer world.

### Clearwater Membership Benefits:

- ◆ A subscription to the *Clearwater Navigator* – our newsletter that covers all our top stories and provides updates on Clearwater activities, events, and initiatives.
- ◆ An opportunity to volunteer as an educator aboard the sloop *Clearwater* or our sister ship, the schooner *Mystic Whaler*
- ◆ 10% discount on all Clearwater merchandise
- ◆ Discount admission and an opportunity to volunteer at Clearwater's annual music and environmental festival, the Great Hudson River Revival
- ◆ Discounts on Public Sailing Adventures throughout the year
- ◆ A vote in the election of Clearwater's Board of Directors

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