



## *Fresh Air*

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### **Chair's Corner** by *Lalita Malik*

My role as chair of the Mid-Hudson Group for the last three years has been an eye-opening experience. As a member of Sierra Club I was aware of the successes I read about in the newsletter and the press but had no idea of the amount of time and effort the Sierra Club volunteers contribute to make that happen. Here is an inside look at how we accomplish so much:

**Legislative:** The legislative committee reviews environmental bills introduced by our elected officials to encourage passage of the ones that are positive and to amend text that may weaken protections. The Atlantic Chapter issues support memos for the most impactful legislation. The committee learns details about the issues, sends supporting emails and letters, calls elected officials' staff, and attends public hearings. These steps are crucial to making laws that protect the environment. Bob Heinemann and Tom Helling represent the Mid-Hudson Group at Atlantic Chapter's monthly meetings. [View the impressive list of environmental policies that Sierra Club has been involved with.](#)

**Political:** For Legislative success, it is critical to elect representatives who will support our mission. During each election cycle, members of our Political Committee spend many hours preparing questionnaires, perusing responses from candidates, checking their voting records, their history, web sites and everything they can find in public records to assess their potential support for the environment. The candidates are interviewed and a decision is made to endorse them or not. I was impressed to learn that many candidates seek out endorsements by the Sierra Club and proudly display our support in their campaign. Sarah Kennedy, our Political Chair, informed me that this has been a full time job for the last few months. Her report on the election results will bring the process alive for you.

**Conservation:** Three years ago we were tracking two big projects: a Steel and Concrete plant at the edge of the Bluestone Wild Forest (BWF) and a plan to convert the Danskammer gas power plant in Newburgh from part-time to full-time operation. In each case our goal was to provide justification for the permitting agencies to deny the permit. This is accomplished through reports on the environmental impact of a project, community character studies, writing letters, attending public hearings, lawsuits and in the case of BWF, even justifying it to be a National Historic site. Marie Caruso has been our liaison on the BWF project and provides a status update in her report.

In addition to the projects listed above, John Rath was our liaison to the team that focused on saving Wheaton Park in Poughkeepsie. Our Conservation Chair, Nancy Severns, did an excellent job of organizing all our projects in a logical process and figuring out how to handle new projects that demanded our attention.

**Energy:** Solving our energy issues is a multi-pronged approach. Reducing use of energy by eliminating waste, stopping energy hog projects ( i.e. Crypto) and shutting/preventing power plants that use fossil fuels. Simultaneously we must make progress towards clean, renewable energy. That includes development of new solar and wind projects and development of high-capacity transmission lines. The process requires staying on top of new technologies and regulations, field visits to assess new projects, interviewing elected officials, neighbors as well as considerable time spent reviewing documents. Nivo Rovedo, our Energy Chair, gives his perspective on wins and losses in his column.

**Fundraising:** The lawsuits, expert reports and constant vigilance costs money. David Friedman, our Fundraising Chair, continuously works to develop programs to raise funds. David has an eBay site for selling Sierra Club merchandise. This year David has organized an event where you can purchase Sierra Club calendars and merchandise in person and meet leaders of your local group. Please see details of the event below.

**Funds Management:** George Treutle, our Treasurer, manages our funds to ensure we have enough for our needs. Money we receive falls into two distinct categories, taxable and tax-exempt. Donations to our Sierra Club Foundation Funds are tax exempt while all other income (whether dues, donations or sales) is not.

**Programs:** In 2022 the Mid-Hudson group renewed in person events with walks and field trips. Our Program Chair, JoyAnn Savino organized our first event on New Year's Day, with a walk on the Walkway Over the Hudson in Highland. This will be repeated on January 1st, 2023. We also had a meeting to discuss the "American Chestnut", did the Sojourner Truth's walk and hosted walks to show quarries that have been converted to parks. Look out for more events in 2023.

**Communications:** All the work we do would be for naught without an effective way to communicate it to the world. Our excellent newsletters, emails, web site and web site content are managed by Andy Moss. This is our face to the world and it is beautiful.

**Database:** The emails are sent out with the able assistance of Dave Thomas. Dave works quietly in the background to see that our emails get out and also accesses our Group's membership database to generate reports and help resolve membership issues.

**Book Reviews:** We often get bogged down in the nitty gritty of day-to-day chores. Sara Kennedy pulls us towards the lighter side of environmental views with her book reviews. Sara loves reading and sharing the good books she has found. In this issue she reviews a book about mosses. I was very happy to learn that the moss growing on my roof is a symbol of my love for the environment and I can leave it alone.

### *In Conclusion*

We often receive requests to get involved in specific environment issues that require investigation and a decision from us. The Executive Committee members evaluate them and decide as a team how to handle them. This is an important part of the grass-roots nature of the Sierra Club—local people taking on local issues.

So why do we volunteer? We learn new things, meet wonderful people and enjoy the sense of accomplishment when we achieve results. It is your membership and support that makes it possible and worthwhile.

Come and meet us at one of the events we have planned in December and January. And celebrate with us. Details are below.

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## Political Corner by Sarah Kennedy

The 2022 Election is finally over after a chaotic start due to confusion around redistricting. Sierra Club members can be proud of the work done by our member volunteers as well as by our endorsed candidates to spread the word about the Environmental Bond Act which passed overwhelmingly. It will mean great things for New York in terms of addressing our antiquated infrastructure, protecting our natural resources, and improving the general health of our citizens. As 35% of the money is to go to underserved communities it will have a particularly positive impact in many of our own communities and will be a step on the path toward environmental justice for all.

Thanks to everyone who encouraged their friends, family members and other constituents to vote for Proposition 1, as well as our very impressive slate of endorsed candidates.

Our endorsed candidates ran strong campaigns. The candidates, their staff and volunteers worked tirelessly on the ground to encourage voters to go to the polls. I was impressed by the integrity and good will the candidates exhibited. Candidates supported one another through the excellent coordination provided by the Congressional Candidates, Josh Riley and Pat Ryan. While Riley lost in a close race, he was an exceptional candidate. Sierra Club members I spoke with were extremely impressed with him and dedicated a lot of effort to support him. Pat Ryan's well deserved win was a bright spot in the Hudson Valley. It was a close race, and all who supported the campaign can feel that their efforts contributed to his victory.

All the candidates we endorsed for positions in New York State Government provided strong support for environmental issues during their campaigns. Incumbent Michelle Hinchey won her tough race in the newly created 41st Senate District. Incumbent Didi Barrett and newcomer Sarahana Shrestha both won their elections for the NYS Assembly in Districts 106 and 103 respectively. Shrestha and her volunteers were tireless in their efforts to reach out to voters, always stressing the importance of environmental issues that Sierra members care deeply about. Jonathan Jacobson remains the Assembly Member representing the 104th District. Although he was unopposed in his race, he worked hard to spread the word about the Environmental Bond Act. Sadly Julie Shiroishi was unable to win in the 39th Senate District, and Jill Fieldstein was defeated in the 105th Assembly District.

As Political Chair, this election with all its complexities provided a tremendous learning process for me. I was so impressed with the quality of the candidates who chose to run in the Mid-Hudson Valley; this made it easy to speak to our membership, as well as to the registered voters in our community about their strengths. Voters responded well to receiving information about the election. Our endorsed candidates displayed integrity, enthusiasm and respect toward our community as they ran their campaigns. This was inspiring to witness. Let's hope we see them reenter the fray in the future.



*Julie Shiroishi and Antonio Delgado at a Get Out the Vote Rally in City of Poughkeepsie*



*Pat Ryan speaking with Ellen Waggener before canvassing in City of Poughkeepsie*

### Mid-Hudson Group Conservation Committee

by Nancy Severns

#### **New York State Environmental Bond Act - A Win for the Environment**

New York State's Environmental Bond Act encompasses many essential environmental programs and was approved by New York State voters on November 8th. It includes initiatives that will reduce flood risk, increase public access to green spaces, improve fish hatcheries, help farmers, mitigate climate change and improve water quality.

The 2022 Bond Act enables the state comptroller to issue state bonds up to a total of \$4.2 billion. The state repays this money from its funds, with interest, according to a specified schedule. Available bond act money will be allocated across a number of capital projects in support of the above initiatives.

For additional details, please go to [2022 Statewide Ballot Proposals | New York State Board of Elections](#)

The Mid-Hudson Sierra Group strongly supported and applauds the approval of the Environmental Bond Act.

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#### **Bluestone Wild Forest May Become National Historic Site; 850 Route 28 Plans On Hold**

by Marie Caruso

Based upon studies conducted by the hydrogeologist Paul Rubin and the recommendation of the NYS Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), plans are being made by Catskill Mountainkeeper and the Woodstock Land Conservancy to nominate 800 acres of the Bluestone Wild Forest to the National Register of Historic Places. According to SHPO, the 19th century "Hemlock Historic Quarry District" is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places "...for its potential to inform our understanding of historic bluestone quarrying methods and the organizational principals that characterized this industrial site. The Hemlock Historic Quarry District includes an intact quarry cliff face, workshop areas, a historic quarry road, stone walls and building foundations."

The designation will be largely based upon the work of Paul Rubin of HydroQuest who has done extensive field studies of the area. He has designed an [expansive website](#) documenting the unique geologic and historic features he has discovered there.

In the meantime, plans for the concrete slab and steel manufacturing facility slated to be built at 850 Route 28, adjacent to Pickerel Pond in the Bluestone Wild Forest appear to be on hold, as the developer, Thomas Auringer, has not yet filed the draft scoping document for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) ordered by the Town of Kingston 16 months ago. The site continues to be used however as storage for vast amounts of heavy equipment and construction materials. One year ago, the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation halted illegal land clearing activities occurring there, but it appears that no attempt has been made to remediate the damage caused by these activities—which includes among other things an illegal dam impeding the flow of Pickerel Pond.

Catskill Mountainkeeper and the Woodstock Land Conservancy have challenged the use of the site for such extensive heavy equipment storage with a lawsuit, partially funded by your Sierra Club, against the Town of Kingston's Code Enforcement Officer and Zoning Board of Appeals for allowing such use on a site zoned mixed use/residential. Unfortunately the case was dismissed last July by Judge Kevin Bryant of the Ulster County Supreme Court on the grounds that none of the parties had standing to challenge the decision. A subsequent "Motion to Reargue" the case was similarly unsuccessful.

However, development of a manufacturing facility at 850 Route 28 is further impeded by SHPO's

recommendation that the property be assessed by an industrial archaeologist to document any historic quarry resources located there and how they and the adjacent Hemlock Historic Quarry may be impacted by site preparation (such as blasting) and construction work. Such an assessment would be the responsibility of the developer.

Although not much can be done about the machinery being stored at the edge of Pickerel Pond, given the requirement for an EIS, the “cease and desist” orders from the DEC and the intervention of SHPO, plans for a concrete and steel plant being built there appear, at this moment at least, to be at a stalemate.

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## Energy Corner *by Nivo Rovedo*

### **Our Energy Future — Which Way?**

I normally write about innovations in the renewable energy sector such as solar and wind, tidal energy, battery storage and even policy affecting the energy sector such as a community choice aggregation laws and community solar. This time my article will be more commentary, so I will be editorializing a bit more than usual.

It seems sometimes as though our energy transition away from fossil fuels is gaining momentum, only to suffer a major setback. It is one step forward and almost another whole step back. Electric cars are catching on and there is good progress in making electric trucks become feasible. Yet we are pumping more greenhouse gases (GHG) than ever into our atmosphere. The CO<sub>2</sub> there will take many decades to dissipate even if we stopped our emissions now. Furthermore, scientific investigation has led us to conclude that the release of another much more potent, but shorter-lived, GHG — methane — is being released at much higher levels than previously estimated from flaring and leaks in the gas infrastructure. In addition, as the permafrost thaws in the Arctic, it is releasing its trapped methane, a case of positive feedback which results in a run-away outward spiral.

Many communities fight against utility solar installations while at the same time they may welcome a factory or a new gas station to be built in town. The solar panels might arguably affect viewscape and hence quality of life, while a factory may seem less intrusive. The factory pollutes, increases traffic, and is likely noisy; the solar panels are silent, do not pollute and the land they are on can be easily restored.

Solar panels provide a vital resource: electrical energy without worsening the climate crisis. Everyone complains about the price of gasoline as it is central to most of our lives. With winter coming, energy prices for oil and methane for heating are rising as well. (We here in the USA do not face the same level of catastrophe in this respect as people in Western Europe, who have been dependent on Russian gas and oil. Sanctions against Russia due to Putin’s savage, brutal war and his weaponization of his energy exports will cause a great deal of hardship in Europe.)

With this sudden lurch in the energy market, is the expansion of fossil fuel infrastructure so we can have it easier in the short term a prudent solution? The companies with vested interests in continuing fossil fuel use tell us this is the way forward, often with misinformation to the public and lobbying to those with the decision-making power.

This is the dilemma. We have been taking a poison of fossil fuels and seemingly cannot stop. The problem is that in the short term, the poison helps us. Our world still depends on fossil fuels for most of our energy in our energy-intensive society. Our use of fossil fuels was a blessing for many decades, but slowly it has become a long-term curse. We cannot just turn off their use as we have centered our societies around them. Yet we also know what burning fossil fuels is doing to our lives and the planet in the long term.

It is abundantly clear that human-caused climate change from our carbon emissions will make our lives hell: crop failures and fish stock depletion which result in food shortages; damaging floods; biblical droughts;

hyper-powerful storms destroying homes, businesses, livelihoods, and lives; crippling intolerable heat waves with power outages as the grid struggles to deliver on AC; wildfires out of control; species extinction at ever faster rates; coastal regions inundated by sea level rise causing a mass migration inland and tremendous loss of coastal investment and wealth; and climate refugees whose native lands have become unlivable clambering for food, support and someplace to go, resulting in political instability and inhumanity towards them.

The situation can be viewed as short term versus long term. It is somewhat analogous to being addicted to a harmful drug. A person addicted needs the drug to stay functional for the short term, especially during a withdrawal situation; nothing counts except eliminating the present hardship brought on by the shortage of the drug. But taking the drug is killing the user in the longer term, and disrupting the lives all those who care about the user as well.

We know we are in a catastrophe in which we must stop burning fossil fuels or face the breakdown of our ecosystems, our food systems, our shelter systems, our political systems. But we need to drive our cars, to heat our homes and to generate electricity. We have made plans to transition. But a sudden shortage pulls us up short in our endeavors. Do we expand gas infrastructure, drill for oil, mine more coal in hopes of coping with the short term?

These developments further lock us into our addiction long term. We hear that coal production is making a comeback thanks to our sudden energy shortfalls; this means more air pollution, water pollution, waste generation, and GHG emission. Reducing our fossil fuel use to the point at which global warming will start to ebb is exceedingly crucial and we cannot act quickly enough in that respect; but it must happen over time during a period of transition in order to habituate society slowly to accepting the shift while putting in the necessary infrastructure for it.

With the Inflation Reduction Act we have a meaningful step forward in curbing GHG emissions from the USA and a lead-by-example opportunity to influence other nations. But then Putin's Russia threw a wrench into the endeavor by invading Ukraine and cutting off gas and oil supplies and OPEC decided to prop up oil prices in a globally economically frail time post Covid, setting back the transition by causing nations to re-evaluate their commitments to clean, renewable energy. Market forces are at work tending toward renewable energy, but if we lock in new fossil fuel infrastructure for the shorter term easing of pain, we guarantee continued global warming and the breakdown of our planetary systems that have sustained life so well up to now.

Very recently I heard this report on NPR, "[An Influential Energy Group Sees Reason for Climate Optimism](#)".

The International Energy Agency issued a report in which "...it expects that the world's demand for oil, natural gas and other carbon-emitting fuels will start to decline because of new policies that governments have put in place to fight climate change. It also suggested that the energy crisis sparked by the war in Ukraine will accelerate the switch to green energy."

Wishful thinking? Some energy analysts are unconvinced and dismissive. " 'Nobody I know in the oil business believes that,' Bob McNally, the founder of Rapidan Energy Group, said. McNally dismissed the IEA's projection for future oil demand as unrealistic. He isn't convinced governments will actually follow through on their stated policies." Indeed, a United Nations report found that nations are falling short of their commitments to reduce GHG emissions.

Hope or no hope? It is easy to be pessimistic; but that will be a self-fulfilling prophecy. We cannot be complacent with the planet on fire; if we say we are doomed, then we are doomed. We have to act. No magical solution is coming to our rescue. We cannot let what is easy stop us from doing what is right for the environment, for us and for our planet's future. Lasting progress is being made, but we cannot take our eyes off the goal.

So where does that leave us? My opinion is that we need to think long term for the sake of future generations. This would lead to accepting the short-term pain and sacrifice and to continue to make

progress without letting up, as we move towards a mid-century goal of zero-emissions. This is not going to be easy, but it is necessary. We must elect leaders who are forward-thinking supporters of clean, renewable energy. We must raise our voices to those in power that we want a renewable energy future and put our shoulder to the wheel to do all we can to move to a clean energy future. Our planet, our nation, our families depend on this.

## Programs by JoyAnn Savino

### **Come Ring in The New Year with the Mid-Hudson Group's annual walk!**

Come join the ExCom members of the Mid-Hudson Sierra Club Group to celebrate and ring in 2023! We will be walking across the Walkway Over the Hudson from Highland to Poughkeepsie. The Walkway is 1.25 miles and you are welcome to walk the entire length in both directions, halfway or whatever distance you are comfortable with. Or just join us for lunch. There are heated bathrooms at both ends of the Walkway.

After the walk, for those who want, we will meet for lunch at the Gateway Diner, Route 9W in Highland for a celebration of 2023.

**Meeting Place:** Walkway over the Hudson, Highland side, 87 Haviland Road, Highland NY 12528.

Free parking is available in the lots and on the road. Meet us at the walkway entrance on the Highland side of the Hudson River

**Time:** Jan 1st, 2023, 11:30 am

**Rain or snow date:** January 2, 2023

**Contact:** JoyAnn Savino at: [mhsierraprograms@yahoo.com](mailto:mhsierraprograms@yahoo.com)

## **Your Sierra Club Group Needs You!**

*Help us protect our local environment.*

Your Mid-Hudson Group is led by its nine member Executive Committee (ExCom). Like you, they are Mid-Hudson citizens concerned about our local, national and global environment. With so much at stake we are asking for your help. It only takes a few hours a month to make a difference.

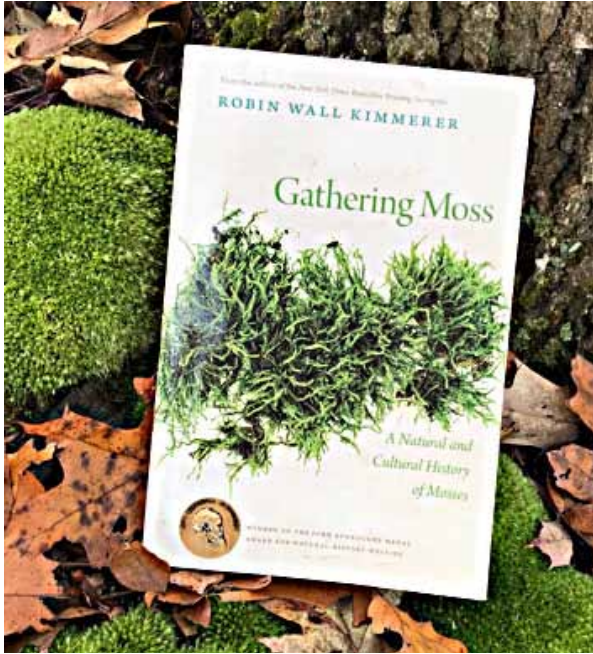
Here are some ways you can participate:

- Join our Executive Committee and help make the decisions that will protect our environment.
- Do you have particular areas of expertise or interest? Consider helping in one of these areas: Conservation, Legislation, Energy, Political, Outings, Fundraising.
- Become an Outings Leader. An outing can be a day of photography, bird watching, hiking, biking, or walking an estate — whatever you like to do and would want to share.
- We are currently seeking someone to improve our online presence with programs to educate our members about actions they can take in their personal life and neighborhood to combat climate change and reduce the use of fossil fuels. If you are good at using Zoom for organizing education sessions, spreading the word through social media, (Instagram, Twitter) and have organization skills, you can help. All work will be remote via computer — no travel required. You are only needed a few hours per month — but it would help us a lot.
- Want to volunteer but the choices listed above don't quite fit your interests or skills? Contact us and we will work with you to find a role that suits you.

Join other like-minded Sierra Club members and enjoy the comraderie and satisfaction that comes with taking positive action to protect the environment.

Contact us at [midhudsonsierra@twc.com](mailto:midhudsonsierra@twc.com). This is our Group's general mailbox so please specify what you are interested in. Don't forget to include a phone number so we can contact you. Thank you in advance for your help.

## ***Gathering Moss: A Natural and Cultural History of Mosses***



Franny Reese State Park

Within one day of reading the first few pages of *Gathering Moss: A Natural and Cultural History of Mosses* by Robin Wall Kimmerer, I found myself kneeling next to a fallen log so I could examine the mosses closely. I was clearly mesmerized; this book had already made an impression.

Written in 2003, this was Kimmerer's first book. It won the John Burroughs Medal Award for Natural History Writing. (John Burroughs is the naturalist who lived at Slabsides, in West Park, NY.) Kimmerer went on to write the extremely popular *Braiding Sweet Grass*, which is on my reading list. Her writing is thoughtful and quiet.

This book is composed of a series of short essays, each of which could stand alone. Kimmerer discusses the science of mosses, as well as their aesthetic value and cultural importance. Kimmerer is a descendant of a Potawatomi clan. The teachings passed on to her inform her feelings about the natural world and the relationship humans have to this world. She weaves personal reflections and stories throughout her writing so that it never feels too heavy on the science.

Early on, Kimmerer describes a special place she discovered in the Adirondacks. It is a cave-like area within some boulders. "The rocks are beyond slow, beyond strong, and yet yielding to a soft green breath as powerful as a glacier, the mosses wearing away their surfaces, grain by grain bringing them slowly back to sand. There is an ancient conversation going on between mosses and rocks, poetry to be sure."

Kimmerer helps us to understand the biology of mosses. Among other things, we learn how mosses propagate, as well as how they are able to process limited sunlight with a special type of chlorophyll. With this newfound knowledge we can appreciate how mosses are able to thrive in a surprisingly wide range of environmental circumstances.

The different species of mosses are often highly specialized. Kimmerer shares a study she did in an attempt to learn how mosses were adapted to life along the Kickapoo River in Wisconsin. Her interest was piqued when on a canoe trip, she noticed different shades of green growing horizontally on a cliff wall at the riverside. There was clear stratification of the moss species from the river's edge up the side of the cliff.

After her initial hypotheses about why this occurred were ruled out, she was finally able to solve the mystery. The answer is related to occasional flooding which occurs



Moss on a boulder by Slabsides





*Moss on a log along the trail at Locust Grove*

there which disturbs the mosses' ecosystem for short time periods. Her work on this project, along with the work of another scientist studying disturbances in a rocky coastal tidal zone, led to the Intermediate Disturbance Hypothesis.

Interestingly, she explains how this hypothesis “has been verified in a host of other ecosystems: prairies, rivers, coral reefs, and forests.” She provides examples of the diversity of life we can notice as we stroll through the woods or walk across the prairies, when an optimal level of disturbance is allowed to occur.

As an expert on mosses, Kimmerer occasionally gets calls to consult on ways to kill mosses, either in lawns or on roofs. She explains that mosses do not outcompete grasses or other desirable plants. Instead, mosses thrive where conditions are not suitable for other forms of plant life. She points out that there is no scientific evidence that mosses cause harm to shingles, and recommends we set “a new aesthetic that honors a mossy roof as a status symbol of how responsibly the homeowner behaves in maintaining the ecosystem.”

Underlying her life's work, Kimmerer believes there is an indigenous way of understanding the world. In one of the essays, she describes this as “a web of reciprocity.” “The roles of mosses are to clothe the rocks, purify the water, and soften the nests of birds. That much is clear.” She then researches the various roles mosses have held in the lives of people throughout time. Ultimately, she turns the question around, and asks us to contemplate what gifts and responsibilities people hold within the ecological web.

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**Make A Gift - Make A Difference**

Our local group depends on the support of volunteers and the generosity of our membership. The work of the group takes Sierra Club volunteer effort, and of course funds. We hope that you will consider making a gift to the Mid-Hudson group of the Sierra Club. In these turbulent times it's vital that we all do what we can to speak out and work for the protection of our environment and the future of our world. We welcome and appreciate your support, and encourage you to consider providing financial support for our efforts. Our mailing address is at the bottom of this newsletter.

To speak about specific opportunities, or with any questions, please contact David Friedman, [Friedman\\_David@msn.com](mailto:Friedman_David@msn.com) or our Treasurer, George Treutle, [georgetreutle06@gmail.com](mailto:georgetreutle06@gmail.com).

**2023 Sierra Club Calendars and other Merchandise available**



Our group has sold Sierra Club Calendars for many years with the proceeds benefitting the Mid-Hudson Group. The calendars are among the most beautiful in the world and are appreciated as wonderful gifts!

This year the calendars are available from several sources. Both Barner Books and Blue Fox are offering this as a service to the Group and all proceeds benefit the Mid-Hudson Group. Each of these stores merits your support and patronage.

1. Barner Books: 3 Church Street in New Paltz, NY (845-255-2635). Open every day 10-6
2. Blue Fox Books: 49 Main Street in Walden NY (845-219-1974). Open Wed - Saturday 11-5, and Sunday 10-3
3. We will be at the Galleria Mall in Poughkeepsie: December 2-4, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm across from BEST BUY. (Our group will have a table during those times.)

Additionally: You can mail your order using the following form and order the calendars you wish, and they will be shipped to you.

The Group also has calendars and other Sierra Club Merchandise available in its ebay store. It's a convenient way to find wonderful holiday gifts, calendars, and support your local group! [Visit our eBay store to see our items and place your order.](#)

If you have any questions about ordering please contact David Friedman: [Friedman\\_David@msn.com](mailto:Friedman_David@msn.com)

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