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NYCFC President's Column

By Jonathan Rubin

I feel communicating the concepts discussed in Sierra

Atlantic articles by Larr Beehan, US Rep. Maurice Hinchey, Bob Muldoon, and Hal Smith is important.

The Coal Power Plant proposed in Rochester, NY, one of the nation's dirtiest will be shut down and there will be a natural gas plant instead as part of Settlement with the NY Attorney General's office. The Sierra Club is challenging a Proposal for an allegedly "Clean Coal" power plant near Buffalo, NY. The Sierra Club is supporting Rep. Maurice Hinchey in opposing NY Regional Interconnect attempt at developing an electricity transmission line in the Upper Delaware region, one of the most picturesque regions in NY and also a protected one despite the attempted implementation of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to dump 20 foot metal towers by the thousands in the Upper Delaware region's communities. Healing Our Waters (HOW), a 100 member Coalition led by National Wildlife Federation and National Parks Conservation Association is aimed at cleaning up and detoxifying the water supply and sponsored the Great Lakes Conference. The program is to make more clean and healthy 20% of the earth's freshwater supply and 95% of America's freshwater supply by cleaning up sewage and toxic settlements, habitat restoration, and regulating the dumping of invasive species in the Great Lakes. All of these concepts and facts can be more completely comprehended by reading the Sierra Atlantic newsletter at www.sierraclub.org/ny and clicking on newsletter.

Hudson River Joy in the City

By Devorah Devi

Many organizations facilitate enjoyment of the Hudson right here in the Big Apple. Most activities are free or low cost, and open to all. Downtown Boathouse, at Piers 40 and 96, sponsors kayaking trips and classes. Phone: (646) 613-0375. Web: www.downtownboathouse.org. New York Kayak Co., at Pier 40, has kayaking tours and classes, phone: (800) rekayak99. Web: www.nykayak.com. New York River Sports, at Pier 66, has kayaking, kayak polo and outrigger canoeing. Web: www.pier66.org. Floating the Apple features boat building, rowing and sailing at Pier 84 and Pier 40. Phone: (212) 564-5412. Web: www.floatingtheapple.org. There are organized swims in the Hudson. Web: www.nycswim.org. For information on concerts, folk music jams, jazz, films, barbecues, and more contact www.hudsonriverpark.org.

For information about volunteer gardening, films, dances, concerts (jazz, classical, folk) and festivals, nature walks, gardening, kayaking and classes in yoga, t'ai chi, films, charity events, beach volleyball, kayaking and more from 60th St to 122nd St. along the Hudson River, see the website: www.riversideparkfund.org. Click on "calendar" or "Summer on the Hudson" for updated cultural events. Call (212) 870-3070. .

There are also wonderful, reasonably priced restaurants with amazing views and cool breezes on the Hudson: Boat Basin Café at W. 79th St., and Hudson.

Beach Cafe at the Beach Volleyball area near W. 103rd St. Have a great summer!

Eric Levine's Passing

"Ray Korona" ray@raykorona.com

I am sorry to announce the passing of NYCFC friend, musician, and sometimes member, Eric Levine. The family of Eric Levine invites you to attend and, if you choose, to sing in a big chorus at this event: Celebration of the Life of Eric Levine: April 9, 1957 to May 8, 2008 Sunday, June 15th at 2 PM, Selis Manor Auditorium (on main floor), 135 West 23rd Street (between 6th and 7th Aves), Manhattan.

Joel & Takako's New Baby

by Joel Landy

Well, the blessed event has happened. Thank you to all of you for your love and good wishes. It was not an easy pregnancy for Takako, including nine weeks of bed rest early on due to medical fears and complications. I have been joking that when people have asked me if I wanted a boy or a girl, I would say that I want a bass player, "Honey, can you do a bass player?"

Name: Faith Maya Nagumo Landy

Size at birth: 20 inches

Weight: Six pounds, thirteen ounces

May 14th at 9pm our lives changed forever.

Come to www.singfreedom.org to see pictures and a movie. Peace Joy Love... and Faith

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NYCFC Calendar

Unless otherwise stated, call Jonathan Rubin, NYCFC

President: (212) 877-4619.

**June 21 & 22, Sat & Sun, Clearwater's Great Hudson River
Revival**, Croton Point Park, www.clearwater.org

July 7, Mon., 7:00 pm, Board of Directors Meeting at Chelsea
Gallery Rest. 7th Ave., bet. 14th & 15th Sts.

July 17, Thur., 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm, NYCFC General Meeting
at the DC 37 Building, 140 Park Pl./125 Barclay St.,
Manhattan – speaker suggestions?

**July 26, Sat., 10:00 am- 4:00 pm, City of Water Day on
Governors Island** www.waterwire.net/ 212-935-9831

July 27, Sun., Clearwater Sail meet at 5:30 at the 79th Street
Boat Basin, Manhattan's West Side. RSVP: Jeanne Stork,
(212) 831-5027 or jeannestork@yahoo.com

Aug. 4, Mon., 7:00 pm, Board Meeting at Key West Diner,
Broadway, bet 94th & 95 Sts.

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Watch for the People's Voice Café Tribute to Carl Schwartz this September. Since I do not yet have enough money for a memorial for Carl (\$200.00 raised so far), this will be his first official tribute. I hope everyone can attend. The date and place will be announced in the next Enviroblurb and at <http://carlschwartztribute.homestead.com/index.html>. **If you would like to donate money to the Carl Schwartz Memorial Fund, send a check to the address below.**

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Everyone Welcome...Bring Friends

General Meetings: Potluck Dinner (share food),
environmental meeting (w/ guest speaker), & talent swap (songs,
poems, etc.). **Directions** to DC 37: **1,2, or 3** train to Chambers
St., walk S. to Murray St., W. (almost to West St.) to 140 Park Pl.;
or **A or C train** to Chambers St., walk S. & W. as above; or **E**
train or **PATH** to World Trade Center (Chambers St.), walk W. to
125 Barclay St.; or **4, 5, 6, J, R, or W train** to Brooklyn
Bridge/City Hall, walk S. & W. to Park Pl., cross B'way, W. to
125 Barclay St.

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members and the community on environmental issues: including
protecting and preserving the Hudson River, NY Harbor, related
waterways, drinking water, and life in and around these waters
and shores. NYCFC is an affiliate of the *Hudson River Sloop*
Clearwater, Inc.

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you are on the e-list, and don't want a paper copy, please let
Jeanne know. **Thank you.**

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