

Clearwater is a grassroots environmental member-driven organization. To learn about how Clearwater got started, read about it here:

http://www.clearwater.org/about/the-clearwater-story/

We'd noticed over the years that many people were just coming to Clearwater's Great Hudson River Revival and volunteering for the weekend but didn't involve themselves with Clearwater for the rest of the year. Some folks didn't really know too much *about* Clearwater and the work it does.

The Clearwater festival is 2 days out of 365 for us. The other 363 days are filled with educational sailing programs on the sloop Clearwater and the Mystic Whaler, the essential work of our Environmental Action team, multi-day programs for at-risk youth during the summer, land-based environmental programs for kids too young to experience the boats, and tabling and events throughout the year to raise the environmental awareness and sensitivities of folks in the Hudson Valley and beyond.

We feel that Clearwater's mission - the mission that Pete Seeger *built the boat for* (and had a festival to raise money to build that boat!) - is worth our festival volunteers' support 365 days a year.

The low-income or student cost for a yearly membership is \$25. The volunteer fee for the entire festival weekend is \$46.50 (early bird!). This includes camping and all of your food. That's a total of \$71.50 to experience the weekend - the music, the camping, the food, the amenities (including a festival t-shirt!), the camaraderie - help a great cause, and continue to help with that cause for the entire year.

We hope you join the 1,000 volunteers who will make the festival happen this year, along with a year's worth of Clearwater programs!

