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HUDSON FERRY-GO-ROUND SETS RIDERSHIP RECORD;
GUESTS TAKE 9,500 TRIPS ALONG HUDSON RIVER

Ferries take people to events hosted by riverfront towns in Rockland and Westchester

VALHALLA, N.Y. (Sept. 25) – Perfect late-summer weather and events in four riverfront towns helped attract a record-setting number of people to the final Hudson Ferry-Go-Round of 2006 on Sept. 17.

Guests took approximately 9,500 ferry boat rides along the Hudson River, the most single-day journeys in the three-year history of the Ferry-Go-Round, which was created to help local residents and tourists rediscover the beauty of the Hudson Valley.

“We were delighted by the turnout at Sunday’s Ferry-Go-Round,” said Martin Ginsburg, who first conceived the idea of offering discounted ferry rides to the public during 2004. “The Hudson Valley is one of the most beautiful regions in the world and I’m pleased to see people rediscover the stunning scenery in their back yard. Interest in the Ferry-Go-Round has risen steadily, and I think will continue to grow in the future.”

The Sept. 17 Ferry-Go-Round was the largest yet, with ferries linking Haverstraw, Ossining, Peekskill and Tarrytown. Each town staged events showcasing area artists, food, performances and entertainment in conjunction with the Ferry-Go-Round.

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Some of the day's highlights included The Haverstraw International Street Fair; Ossining Treasures: An Arts Festival; The Peekskill Project; The One World Arts and Culture Festival and A Taste of Tarrytown. Continuous ferry service was available from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. Free shuttle busses transported guests from the ferry docks to events inland.

“We've worked to ensure that the Ferry-Go-Round coincides with fairs and shows that highlight what our river towns have to offer,” said Ginsburg, whose firm, Ginsburg Development Companies LLC of Valhalla, N.Y., is one of the event's main sponsors. “The Ferry-Go-Round is a great way for people to go sightseeing and discover towns they normally might not visit. Riverfront towns like Haverstraw are experiencing a dramatic renaissance, and this is a great way for people to see what taking place.”

This year's other Ferry-Go-Rounds were held on June 10 and Aug. 5.

Current GDC communities include Riverbend in Peekskill, N.Y., The Fairways at Wallkill (N.Y.), Harbors at Haverstraw (N.Y.), Hudson Pointe in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Ichabod's Landing in Sleepy Hollow, N.Y., Marbury Corners in Pelham, N.Y., Liberty at Newtown (Conn.), Ridgewood at Middlebury (Conn.) and The Greens at Gillette Ridge in Bloomfield, Conn. To place your name on GDC's priority list for future communities, log on to www.gdc-homes.com, click on to “future communities” and then “name of development” or call 1-866-GDC-4-HOMES.

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