

SEA SCOUT SHIP 25

May 2025

By Ship 25 Yeoman Sierra Rohmann

ACTIVITIES



This May, our Sea Scouts went back to their roots and participated in lots of annually occurring spring events. Scouts originally meant to go to SUNY Maritime's Sea Scout University, a special weekend in which Sea Scouts from all over come to take maritime-related classes for their ranks or just for fun in New York City. Unexpectedly and at the last minute this year, the event was canceled. *But*, with a great deal of generosity and quick thinking from Sea



Scout Ship 228, Scouts were able to salvage the weekend and go out on the ship's vessel, the Sea Dart II from it's home port in New Jersey! Scouts ultimately had a wonderfully unexpected weekend, boating on unfamiliar waters, playing manhunt in a church during the evening, and making an excursion to the Jersey Shore.



We are truly grateful to the Scouts and Scouters of Ship 228 that came together to allow us and others on their boat. While the classes may have been canceled that weekend, Scouts and Scouters that would have previously been students themselves stepped up to teach important boating skills and tips to their guests.



Whereas in a classroom scouts would have likely been divided by their class schedules, this event brought a neat opportunity for everyone to intermingle

with one another, whether over slices of pizza or on the deck.



While we may be sad that the event was canceled for this year, we're grateful for the unique learning experience and are excited for what the next year will bring!



Other events the scouts did this month include marching alongside other community members and scouts at the Memorial Day Parade, and RVSP. RSVP—



or Rovers, Scouts, Venturers, and Pathfinders—is an international collaborative event between Canadian and American scouts held in camp Opemikon in Canada. Ship 25 is lucky to



have Canada at a relatively reasonable ride away; it is a welcome change of pace to experience camping with our friends up north and marvel at little differences in our scouting culture.



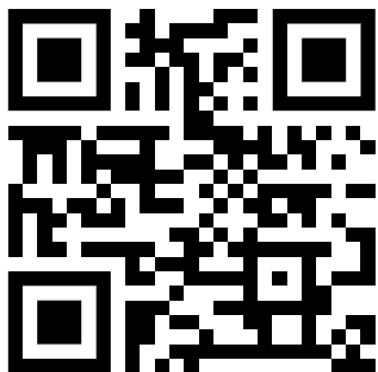
Additionally, we want to congratulate Abigail who was presented with her Venturing Summit Award. She is an Eagle Scout and a multiple from Venturing who is also working towards her Sea Scout Quartermaster award.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

The Ship will hold it's annual Elections and hold a Bridge of Honor and Elections for our 2025-26 youth officers.

FUNDRAISERS

The Ship 25 is currently holding a GoFundMe with the goal of supporting our activities for the 2025–2026 year! Any attributions are extremely appreciated by our members and support leadership development and community service around the Taughannock District at <https://gofund.me/32d83b7d> or through accessing the following QR code:



Additionally, Ship 25 is collecting bottles and cans at IthaCAN and Bottle Return, 614 Elmira Road, Rt. 13 South in Ithaca. Feel free to stop by and mention that your returns are for Ship 25, or reach out to a member to arrange dropoff/pickup!

MEETINGS & CONTACT

Ship 25 has meetings on most Fridays at 6:30pm in-person at the Coast Guard Auxiliary Base in Ithaca and via zoom. Sea Scouts is a co-ed program for young men and women ages 13 to 20. For more details and a full calendar, contact Jim Graney at (607)-327-1226 (work/cell) or email jgraney@twcny.rr.com. Additional information can be found at www.ithacaseascouts.org.

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE YEOMAN

I would like to give a warm farewell as I pass the torch to Ship 25's next Yeoman. I first came to Ship simply looking for something to do in the area during my college co-op. What I was not expecting was just how quickly I gained lifelong friends. I hope that Ship 25 may always be that special place where strangers become shipmates, and shipmates become friends. So here's to our next adventure—let it begin! - Sierra

“Wherever you go, go with all your heart.” — Confucius