

SEA SCOUT SHIP 25

May and June 2026

By Ship 25 Yeoman & Chaplain's Aid, Allyson Marion

Activities

It's been another busy couple of months for Sea Scout Ship 25 as we entered into the Summer season. But we started strong with a trip up to Ontario Canada for the RSVP Camporee, where we got to participate in various outdoor activities such as a high ropes course, archery, axe throwing, and canoeing. As well as meeting the Canadian Scouts and having a fun night dancing to music. Once back in the States, a couple of our scouts helped out at the Coast Guard Open House, where we host our meetings, to introduce more people to Ship 25 and our program. Toward the latter end of May, we were invited to walk in the Dryden Memorial Day Parade alongside several other scouting organizations from the area. Before ending the month off with a roadside clean-up along the Rt 38 South of the Village of Dryden.



Since last month, we have officially got our boat, the Sensei, out on the water! We started our crazy month of June with our first sail of the year out on Cayuga Lake. We also moved some of our weekly meetings out to the Lansing Marina so we could take our boat out and enjoy the good weather even more. The week following, we also held a celebration of our own, our annual June youth leadership elections with awards during a Bridge of Honor. Many people received acknowledgement and congratulations for completing ranks, activities, service and more while also receiving various awards from earlier this year all at this Bridge of Honor.

Awards / Elections

Recently, some of our members have made achievements in rank advancement, so congratulations to Owen for reaching the rank of Ordinary Sea Scout, and Madison for being awarded the Taughannock District Gorget. They both continue to work hard in scouting, so our Ship is very proud of them and their efforts. As well as congratulations to Allyson for taking up the position of Territory 10's Venturing Vice President.

I'd also like to welcome Ship 25's new Quarterdeck for the 2026-2027 year. Keanu as Boatswain, Owen as Boatswain of Program, and Maeve as Boatswain of Administration.

Upcoming

This coming month we have a few things planned, such as traveling to Boston to see the Tall Ships come into the harbor for the United States' 250th anniversary, sailing on our own boat out on Cayuga Lake, and two



Quartermaster sails.

Fundraising

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, but PLEASE be sure to label your bags so they know which scout group to apply the donation towards. With other packs and troops donating, it can get confusing to the staff if bags aren't labeled. You can also contact a Ship 25 member to arrange drop-off / pickup! Additionally, the Friends of Ithaca Sea Scouts which sponsors Ship 25 is currently holding a GoFundMe with the goal of supporting our activities for the 2025–2026 year! Funds also support things like leadership development and community service around the area. Any contributions are extremely appreciated by our members. You can donate funds at <https://gofund.me/32d83b7d> or through accessing the QR code shown here.



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.

