

SEA SCOUT SHIP 25 September and October 2024

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ACTIVITIES

Ship 25 had a stupendous September and an outstanding October! This time around, there seemed to be a focus on volunteering and camping, with Ithaca's boating season already coming to an end. Many of our Scouts stepped forward in these events to work by the scouting slogan: "do a good turn daily". One such event was "Feed My Starving Children", hosted at the Ithaca National Guard's Armory where Scouts donned hairnets to race to create as many packs



of food as they could under a time limit to be sent to people in need across the



world. Ship 25 also participated in a highway cleanup activity, allowing them to get their steps in on a beautiful fall day and make a visible difference on their community's environment that will be appreciated by all who use the highway. Another volunteer opportunity scouts had in September was collecting American flags from the gravestones of veterans.



Apart from volunteer activities, Ship 25 enjoyed their final cruise of the season in early October and helped prepare for the Sensei's winterization by doing activities such as simple housekeeping, and draining all the fluid lines in the boat and applying antifreeze to avoid any damage to the boat from frost.



October especially was a very popular month for camping for Ship 25, with Ship going to two joint international events! At Brotherhood, which took place in the US, Scouts enjoyed activities such as shooting BB guns, archery, trading patches, and a huge bonfire that even Tug Anne Duck got to admire.



RoVent was a pirate-themed camping trip and quest. In Rovent, one of the main events culminated into an epic flour war between the pirates and the East India Trading Company. In the end, scouts were seemingly turning on their own allies as the air became thick with flour, almost like smoke, and everyone was pulled into the chaos. Also included in this event was a scout dance party, and the opportunity to put on metal armor!



Scouts and Scouters alike were having a blast getting to know their Canadian friends and enjoying the last of the mild weather.

FUNDRAISERS

The Ship is still 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.