



***Sea Scout Ship 23 (SSS 23) was chartered in 2006 by Skaneateles Sunrise Rotary Club as an Hiawatha Seaway Council BSA unit. SSS 23 is capitalizing on Skaneateles Lake and the local area's other unique maritime assets.***

***Background Sea Scouts is a BSA Venturing level co-educational program offered to youth ages of 14-20. Sea Scouts emphasizes maritime safety and training and facilitates getting out on the water under sound leadership and guidance. Sea Scouts also provides significant opportunities to participate in local & national Sea Scout service projects, superb training events and competitions.***

***In addition to the Lake, Skaneateles has the significant advantage of having many supportive organizations and businesses, e.g. Rotary, Mid-Lakes Navigation, The Sailboat Shop, sailing clubs & marinas, Skaneateles Community Center, US Coast Guard Auxiliary, Finger Lakes Antique & Classic Boat Association, SAVES, Friends of the Lake, and many others. SSS 23 has access to motorboats & sailboats, large & small, to provide hands-on training opportunities.***

***What Youth Can Learn Traditions of the Sea, Sailing, Boat Handling, Piloting & Navigation, Nautical Rules of the Road, Boat Maintenance, Marine Electronics, Scuba, Water Sports; Cruise planning, and many other skills. The Sea Scout Manual itself is a superb basic reference.***

***Sea Scouts can also participate in other BSA activities, e.g. camping, hiking & canoeing.***

***A youth-driven organization, SSS 23's specific program is developed by the Sea Scouts themselves. Sea Scouts thus acquire Team & Leadership skills in well structured activities. Adult Advisors and consultants facilitate the program and provide guidance & mentoring.***

***Costs Registration is \$11 per year; there may be other costs for uniforms and activity fees.***

***An excellent Web site for additional Sea Scouts info is: [www.SeaScout.org](http://www.SeaScout.org)***

***Sea Scouts - an unmatched opportunity  
for Fun on the Water and Learning Maritime Safety & Lore***

***Meetings Normally twice a month - 7 PM Tuesdays at St. James Church –  
Lakeside Room, 96 East Genesee Street, Skaneateles***

***For further SSS 23 specific info, schedule or to join, contact***

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