

## Shen Crew Weekly Newsletter

### Upcoming Dates:

**April 1- 28<sup>th</sup>** – Flower Fundraiser sales- Documents on website

**April 13-May 19<sup>th</sup>** – Hoffman Car Wash Sales

**April 21** – US Rowing Waivers deadline

**April 17-21** – Spring Break Practice – All teams 8-12:00

**April 26** – Chipolte Food Fundraiser 4:00 – 8:00

**April 28** – Varsity Pasta Party @ Boathouse after practice

**April 29 & 30** – Saratoga Invitational Regatta

**May 7** – BC Champs Regatta

### BC Champs added to schedule for May 7th:

Exciting news... BC Champs is added on the schedule for HS & Modified ages 16 and under. This race will be **Sunday 5/7** at Saratoga. The coaches will be making the line ups accordingly.

We will need to add jobs for this race for towing & working at the food tent - for anyone that did not pick a volunteer job, here's an opportunity to pitch in to fill the gap and avoid being charged the \$100 volunteer buyout. We are still in need of boathouse duty workers and a few other jobs as well. (link attached- next week fees will be added to final bills.)

<http://signup.com/go/UGuCyr>

### Spring 2017 Race Schedule:

**Saratoga Invitational** (4/29-4/30, Saratoga Springs, Varsity, Frosh, Select Modified)

**Steinmetz Sprints** – Fridays in May Friday the 5, 12th, 19th and 26 (Modified only at practice times our boathouse)

**\*\* BC Champs – Newly added – 5/7 –** (Modified, Frosh & Varsity under age 17)

**NYS Championships** (5/13-5/14), Saratoga Springs, Varsity, Frosh)

**Stotesbury Cup Regatta** (5/19-5/20, Philadelphia, PA, Varsity, Frosh) (Travel on 5/18)

**SRAA Nationals** (5/26-5/27), Camden, NJ, Qualifying Crews) (Travel and Practice on 5/25)

**Mod Champs** (6/3, Mechanicville, All Modified )

**USRowing Youth Nationals** (6/9-6/11, Sarasota, FL, Qualifying Crews only w/ Coach's Discretion)

## **Spring Break Practice Schedule- Yes both teams are practicing**

Spring break is the week of April 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be no school nor busing but due to the late start on the water the coaches would like to still hold practice. (If your child will not be attending, please have him/her tell their coach ahead of time for planning.)

Varsity, Freshman & Mod teams will practice Mon-Friday 8:00am – 12:00pm.

## **Food Fundraisers – Next Wed 4/26!**

Once a month we have a “Food Fundraiser” at a local restaurant to help raise proceeds for our equipment fund. Please come out and support Shen Crew on **Wednesday Night, April 26th between 4pm and 8pm at Chipolte** in Clifton Park. Please spread the word and pass on to your family/friends/neighbors/anyone! Looking forward to seeing you there! Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you’re supporting the cause since 50% of the proceeds will be donated from Chipolte to Friends of Shenendehowa Crew from this event.

## **Call for Chaperones**

If you are interested in being a Chaperone for the Stotesbury Regatta and/or the SRAA Nationals please contact Jon Slepski by 4/21. Chaperones will help coordinate the lunches on site and help the coaches keep the kids organized at the races. All meals, bus ride and hotel room will be paid for by the team for those willing to chaperone.

[jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com)

## **Flower Fundraising packets**

Flower Fundraising Packets for varsity parents unable to attend Parent meeting were taken to the boathouse by Coach Mike, who will distribute them to your rowers. New or returning Modified parents who couldn't attend can pick up their Flower Packets from a Shen Crew box on the porch of the Crew Treasurer's house at 8 Gleneagles Blvd, Round Lake, off exit 11 of the Northway. Otherwise, any Modified Flower Fundraiser packets uncollected this week will be moved to the boathouse at the start of Modified training next week. Look for your labeled Flower Fundraiser packet inside a Shen Crew Flower Sale box left on the boathouse desk. This is also where all parents will leave their completed order forms.

## **Hoffman Car Wash**

Sales begin on April 13th and order sheets are due by Friday, May 19th. Informational sheets and order forms were emailed 4/12 to all teams and posted to Shen Crew Website. This is a great opportunity to raise money to support our team because almost everyone has heard of Hoffman's and the cost of the tickets is the same price that they would pay if they went directly to Hoffman's. And we earn 50% of the sales of all tickets sold!

Sales goals are as follows: \$150 for a 1 rower family (Buyout price – \$75) and \$225 for a 2 rower family (Buyout price – \$100). For the door-to-door sales and the order forms/payments collected, we will place a group order with Hoffman's shortly after the fundraiser ends on May 19. We will receive the tickets shortly after that. Ticket distribution to rowers will occur 7 – 10 days from the official end of the fundraiser.

## **Stotesbury Regatta Hotel info(Varsity & Freshman):**

One more week to book under these rates!! We will be traveling to the Stotesbury Cup Regatta in Philadelphia May 18-20. Parents who are interested in reserving rooms may use the following link to obtain the Shen Crew Link for price \$109/night (Must book by 4/27/17 then rooms will be released): [Book your group rate for Shen Crew Parents](#)

## **SRAA Nationals Hotel info (Varsity & Freshman):**

For this race, there is no parent block as parents need to make their own reservations. Racing is Friday 5/26 & 27<sup>th</sup>. Kids will be traveling the Thursday before with Chaperones. Parents can reserve online or call:

[https://www.bestwestern.com/content/best-western/en\\_US/booking-path/hotel-details.31046.html?propertyCode=31046&disablenav=true&suppressSSLPopup=true&sob=P3434](https://www.bestwestern.com/content/best-western/en_US/booking-path/hotel-details.31046.html?propertyCode=31046&disablenav=true&suppressSSLPopup=true&sob=P3434)

## **Clynk bottle redemption- All season**

Exciting news – Hannaford stated that Shen Crew is the #1 Clynk fundraising group in NY! Hannaford was filming Kids & parents during the parent meeting and will be highlighting Shen Crew and our success with this program. If you did not attend the meeting and need info on how to sign up for your personal account to go towards Shen Crew success, please email Barb Moore for information.

## **Newsletter Email**

Parents: when you registered your athlete this spring in our online registration, the first email address entered is the one being used for all of our rosters (fundraising, volunteer, billing, etc.) If you wish us to use a different email address, please send your preferred email to Nancy Paulsen (treasurer/registrar) at [receivables@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:receivables@shencrewadmin.com) so we can make sure you are getting important information. Thank you!

## **Summer Freshman/Varsity Announcement**

Varsity parents: Summer seems like a long time away, but we have set the price and are committed to giving you more lead time for planning purposes. It is \$510 and will be payable in two payments. Travel, hotel & meals to Philly Youth Regatta are included. Specific data with dates will come out later as it gets closer. We're looking forward to a great summer of competition and skills improvement!

## **Monthly Board of Directors Meeting**

Monthly meetings are typically held on the third Tuesday of each month (unless school vacation weeks) 7:00 – 9:30 pm. While the meetings are open for all to listen, Public Comment period begins promptly at 7:00, ending at 7:30. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. Your input is a valuable source to continue to foster a positive nurturing environment and experience the tradition of Crew. (Meetings held in Gowana Café or Library, check location on the website and/or on top of this newsletter to confirm).

## **Liaisons can answer general qts:**

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