

## **Upcoming Dates:**

**March 24<sup>th</sup>** – Spring Season Volunteer job sign up begins

**March 27<sup>th</sup>** – Freshman & Varsity start practice at boathouse

**April 1** - Parent Meeting at HSW 10:00am

**April 10** – Mod Spring Season begins - **Online Registration now due!**

**April 10** – SPAC Summer Concert training for new volunteers

**April 11** – Board meeting at Gowana Cafe

Note – Newsletters will move to every other week during winter season moving to weekly after parent meeting in spring.

**Parent meeting** – 10:00- 12:00 in the cafeteria of High School West (right in front of building for those of you not familiar)

Our parent meeting location has changed to High School West (freshmen building). Executive Director Sean Obrien will be kicking off the season by sharing details on equipment purchased for spring and the race schedule. Coaches will also be reviewing expectations for athletes for the challenging spring season. Updates on the food tent and fundraising will also be discussed and flower sale packets distributed. We will have tables set up to answer questions, and if you haven't signed up for a volunteer job, you will have an opportunity to do so.

And now for the big news, a film crew from Hannaford will be on hand to film a short promo for the CLYNK program featuring Shen Crew. Thanks to the efforts of our fundraising team and parent volunteers, we were the top grossing group in the program, and they are looking to share the secrets of our success with other organizations. This is a great opportunity to highlight our program and its accomplishments. We look forward to seeing everyone and showing off our CAN DO attitude!

## **Spring 2017 Registration still open**

For all teams, online registration is ongoing and must be completed prior to first day of practice. Mod Spring Registration is still open and will be first come first serve for a place on bus. Please use the link on the Registration page and register your rower.

Payments are due by end of March and should be mailed to FOOSC c/o Nancy Paulsen, 8 Gleneagles Blvd, Malta, 12019; there is also a box on the front porch if you'd prefer. Once the boathouse opens for spring practice, the lockbox will be available for payments.

Thanks for your timely payments!

## **Spring 2017 Season Volunteer Link:**

Spring season has begun for Freshman/Varsity and Modified practice will begin on April 10th! Therefore...It's time to choose your volunteer job for the season.

For Freshman & Varsity parents – we ask you to consider taking a food tent job (bringing food or a leadership role) since you'll be attending all regattas so we can provide food correctly for the kids. These must get filled in order for food tent to run.

Each family is required to volunteer at least once during the season. Volunteering is mandatory; please sign up prior to the April 1<sup>st</sup> parent meeting. Registration will stay open for two weeks until April 8th then after that you will be assigned a responsibility or a

charge will be added to your account. Here is the link for spring season, please take a look and sign up as soon as possible so you get the job that fits you. It's open NOW for job choices and is first come first serve. <http://signup.com/go/UGuCyr>

## **Food Tent Committee – asking for volunteers**

We are looking for volunteers to help re-organize how we handle the food tent. Key questions to tackle:

- how do we want to handle shopping
- what jobs do we need
- tent responsibilities
- what approach should we take for overnight travel regattas
- food allergy awareness
- menu planning

Jon Slepski will be at Parent meeting to answer questions for those willing to help. Please come help us plan. Contact Jon Slepski if interested and unable to make the meeting. [jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com)

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

The Varsity & Freshman teams 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](#)

## **SPAC Summer Concerts 2<sup>nd</sup> training date 4/10**

Shen crew will be participating in the SPAC summer concert program again this summer (June, July, August & Sept) where parents will be manning the concession stands during live nation events and all proceeds will go towards the Shen Crew equipment fund for 2018 purchases. The club would receive either \$9.50/hr/person or 10% of the sales, whichever is greater. It's a great deal for us and for SPAC, who not only get reasonable labor but also a tax break for working with non-profit groups, a true win-win scenario. A full list of concerts and sign up will come later this season. **WE NEED AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE TO VOLUNTEER!**

Summer concerts are Dave Matthews, Train, The Dead, Third Eye Blind, Foreigner with Cheap Trick, Rod Stewart, Florida Georgia Line, Chicago and more!! (Note – last year Shen Crew earned over \$7,700 for the equipment fund by participating in these events.)

**New SPAC Volunteer Training (2<sup>nd</sup> session) is on Monday April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.**

Those who had successfully completed the training last year (spring 2016) are not required to attend. Since last year was our first year only new SPAC volunteers will be required to train. There will be multiple organizations attending the training which is mandatory to work for Legends/Live Nation/SPAC. We will be backstage at SPAC for orientation. Parking will be in the Auto Museum Lot and there will be signs pointing you where to go from there. Please RSVP by April 7th to [barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com)

## **Clynk bottle redemption**

Exciting news – Hannaford stated that Shen Crew is the #1 Clynk fundraising group in NY! We will be continuing Clynk in spring and rolling out a new tracking version at parent meeting. Save your bottles if you don't yet have Clynk bags.

### **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).

**Please do not reply to this message. Replies to this message are routed to an unmonitored mailbox. If you have questions please go Shen crew contact page for the appropriate recipient**

**[www.shencrew.com/contact.php](http://www.shencrew.com/contact.php)**

**[www.shencrew.com](http://www.shencrew.com)**