

Shen Crew Weekly Newsletter

Upcoming Dates:

May 23rd – Panera Food Fundraiser 4-8:00 – (Tonight! - MUST BRING FLYER)

May 26th & 27th – SRAA Nationals (Leave Thur 5/25)

June 3rd – Mod Champs

June 5-9th – Free week

June 6th – Annual Membership meeting & board vote 6pm boathouse

June 16th – Spring Banquet at The Vista Restaurant 6:00-9:00pm

June 26th – Summer Crew Starts (Var/Fresh 6-8, Mod 9-12)

Stotesbury Cup Regatta Results

For those unfamiliar, Stotesbury Cup is the ultimate goal for scholastic rowing. This year there were 191 Schools, 5679 Athletes and 984 boats that competed this weekend. We are proud to report that at the end of Friday all but three Shen Crew boats qualified for semi finals. On Saturday our story got better, Coach Sean had two boats that won first place! Boys Junior quad (John Kennedy, Seth Ryan, Evan Flint & Eli Neidhart) and Boys Senior Double (Mike Campone & Josh Freitas). Thank you to the coaches and chaperones for keeping everyone focused and fed this weekend. Congratulations to everyone!

SRAA Nationals (Varsity & Freshman):

Racing is Friday 5/26 & 27th. Athletes will be traveling on Thursday 5/25 before to practice with Chaperones. The school will be notified of competition for excused absence. The bus will pick up and drop off the athletes at same place as last week at Kohls parking lot at 8:40am (bus to depart at 9am). Return will depend on racing results on Saturday pm. All athletes should bring water bottles to refill, packed lunch for drive down (no peanuts), Sunscreen, hats and bring money for dinner on way back. Please be sure to drop off your additional payment ASAP to cover this additional race.

Spring 2017 Race Schedule:

Steinmetz Sprints –May 4th, 12th, 19th & 26 (Modified only at practice times our boathouse)

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)

Lost & Found – Do these belong to you?

The lost & found box at the boathouse has started to fill up. Please look at the list below and ask your child to take home this week. Anything not picked up will be brought to banquet at end of season and then donated to charity if unclaimed.

From BC Champs – left at food tent – Coffee Thermos & Coffee cup
Shen crew hoodie (Price)

Black Tek Gear sweat pants
Black Danskin sweat pants
Blue Under Armour hoodie
Black hoodie with lime green trim
Black Mountain Hard Wear 1/4 zip pullover
Black Coldpruf crewneck base layer
Numerous water bottles (Camelback, Gatorade, Win Tech, Health Ahead, DeLuke Orthodontics, Healthy Living Market)
Blue EMS Thunderhead jacket. New. \$99 tag still on it
Black North Face jacket
Shen Crew long sleeve tek pullover (Scarafite on tag)
Green Exersion hoody - Medium

Spring Banquet – See attached flyer to RSVP

The Spring Banquet planning has begun. Mark your calendars for **June 16 at 6:00pm**. Please see the attached invitation and send in with payment to reserve your spot. The RSVP is due to The Vista on June 10th so don't delay. You will not be able to pay at the door. If you have group photos you'd like considered for the slide show, send to Savannah at shencrewpics2017@gmail.com.

Special Thanks

Shen crew sends out a special thanks to Emma Lanahan's grandfather who made 6 pairs of boat T's used to store boats at regattas. We appreciate this gift very much and the support from the Lanahan Family. If you have a family member that is willing to help us or donate time and/or materials, please contact director Sean O'Brien.

Flower Fundraiser Results

Shen crew made \$7,200 profit from our flower sales (not including buyouts), another successful fundraiser. We thank the following volunteers for their effort sorting flowers at R&K Nursery and helping during pickup dates to complete our annual flower drive: Lisa Miller, Susan Taylor, Dona Cuva, Wendy Webster, Susan Flint, Maria Keneally, Elizabeth Desbiens, Maureen Mansfield, Beth Miles, Heidi Kelley, and Susan Zobre.

Annual Membership Meeting – We need 3 new board members!

Please join us for the annual membership meeting on Tuesday June 6th at 6pm at the Boathouse. Season summary and future plans will be discussed and we will be electing our new board members. We have three open seats, so anyone interested in seeking a leadership position with the board of directors should contact Mary Hanratty at maryshencrew@gmail.com for more information and to submit a short biography. Note - no board experience necessary, just the willingness to help so our kids can do the sport they love. Board terms are two years.

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. Practice will run from 6:00 – 8:00 am, Monday through Friday and begins on Monday, June 26th. There will be a second rower discount. A registration link will be coming out soon and we're looking forward to a great summer of competition and skills improvement!

Summer Modified Announcement

Summer Modified Season is a skills development session for middle school rowers. It runs from 9 am to noon Monday through Friday and begins on Monday, June 26th. It is structured slightly differently this year: Price for any four weeks is \$270; additional weeks will be \$65/week. You may break up your four weeks to accommodate other camps and family vacations, but we ask that you indicate which weeks you intend to send your rower at the time you register. Summer Modified season ends on Friday, August 18th. The Registration link will be active by the end of May and will include an opportunity to select attendance weeks.

Please note that at the end of the spring season, rising 9th graders move up to the Freshman team and are no longer eligible for Modified summer programs, but will be part of the summer competitive varsity program.

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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