

Upcoming Dates:

September 13 – Menchies – TODAY! 2-9:00pm – Equipment fund Food fundraiser (see attached flyer required at purchase)

September 17– Rowathon - Mandatory all teams – Report times Fresh/Var 8:00-1:00pm and Mod 8:00-11:00

September 17 – Modified Ice Cream social directly after rowathon 11-12:30

September 20 – Board meeting 7pm, Gowana Library

September 24 – Tail of Fish Regatta, Fish Creek, Saratoga Springs, NY

September 30 – Varsity Pasta Party & Freshman Pasta Party (separate events)

October 2 – Mohawk Fall Classic (prior called Spartan Sweeps), Scotia, NY

October 5 – Moes (Clifton Park location) 4-8:00pm– Equipment fund Food fundraiser

October 16 – NH Championship (Freshman/Varsity Only) Pembroke, NH (Bus leaves 15th – more details to come with hotel, bus, chaperone info etc)

October 29 & 30 – Head of Fish - Fish Creek, Saratoga Springs, NY

November 2 – Shane's Rib Shack (Clifton Park location) 4-8:00pm - Equipment fund Food fundraiser

Annual Rowathon

For those who are new: The Rowathon (scheduled for all teams to row on 9/17) is our biggest fundraiser of the year. All athletes need to bring bagged lunch & water bottle. Varsity/Freshman will row 8:00-1:00 and Mod will row 8:00-11:00 with the Mod team ice cream social immediately following. Mod pick up will be at 12:30pm and Varsity/Freshman at 1:00.

Pasta Parties & Ice Cream Social

It's customary to hold a "social event" for the team prior to their first race. The Modified will have their event first in form of an ice cream social directly after the Rowathon on September 17th. The Varsity & Freshman teams will each have their own pasta party on Friday September 30th. The volunteers that will be hosting

these two separate events will be sending out communications asking parents to bring items so please watch for a separate communication.

Fall Season Volunteer Job – sign up now!

Fall season has begun...It's time to choose your volunteer job for the season.

Each family is required to volunteer at least once during the season. Volunteering is mandatory. Please note some positions are required of Modified and/or Var/Freshman parents only while others are open to any level parent. Registration will stay open until September 20th then after that you will be assigned a responsibility or a charge will be added to your account.

There are descriptions within each Volunteer Spot link giving you information on what is involved and a new section on the Shen Crew Website called "Volunteer Job Descriptions" contains information on some of the bigger jobs and will be added to throughout the year. There are a range of jobs to include: Working at the boathouse every other week, towing the food trailer, helping at the banquet, finding new corporate sponsors, bringing a food item to each regatta and more. If you have questions on any positions, please contact Mary Hanratty for assistance.

Sign ups are done on a first come, first served basis.

We are looking for our Freshman/Varsity, experienced parents to act as Food Tent captains, you've seen how to set up & break down tents, help lead the workers for the breakfast or lunch shift for two regattas.

Here is the link for fall 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.

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

3 Planned Equipment Food fundraisers

There are 3 food fundraisers this season, locations are: Menchies, Moe's and Shane's Rib Shack (all located at Clifton Park locations). On these nights, when the flyer is presented at payment, 20% of the sales will be donated to Shen Crew Equipment fund. These three fundraisers raised just under \$500 last year so are worth repeating. Per their corporate office, Shane's has new management & a new head cook so issues of past season of running out of items and not being properly prepared for our orders should not occur. So take a night off cooking and please invite your friends, neighbors, coworkers and teachers to attend these. The more people with the flyer the more we'll earn! (Flyers cannot be handed out on the premises of the restaurant)

Buffalo Wild Wings

We have a great new opportunity to eat out and raise money with Buffalo Wild Wings from now until the end of the year! Here is how it works:

1. Bring your Teammate Card into your sponsoring restaurant, **now** until **Dec 31**. Details are on your card.
2. Show your card, on a mobile device or via printed copy, to your server and let them know you are part of the Home Team Advantage Program.
3. The server will add 10% of you total sales to Friends of Shen Crew's running total. It is that easy!
4. At the end of the season, Buffalo Wind Wings will donate the 10% of the sales that the total team generated throughout the season back to your team.

Attached is the Buffalo Wild Wings flyer. Print it and bring when you dine or get take out so that the server can code you check accordingly and we can receive 10%. If possible, please scan or take a photo of your receipt so we to can track our totals. Send text to Barb at [5184416066](tel:5184416066) or email at barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com

Traffic reminder - Bridge work Starting July 5th - November

Traffic Reminder for getting to the boathouse - the bridge crossing the creek on Riverview Rd will be closed starting July 5th and that additional time will be required to get to the boathouse, so plan accordingly. A suggested route is Rt 146 west to 914V (continue west through 146 and Rt 110 intersection), at ~1 mile take left on Rt 29 south (Maple Ave) and then a left on Alplaus Ave and across the train tracks. The Schenectady County highway department confirmed the bridge is not scheduled to be completed until November.

Last Call ! For those that still need to Register

All Rowers: Print out a copy of the 2016-2017 registration form from the website. Fill out and return to Kim Ferraioli 29 West Sky Lane, Clifton Park NY 12065 or bring to the boathouse.

New Rowers: No payment is due until the completion of the two week trial period. A mandatory **Swim test** will be scheduled at the Shen Pool. We will let you know when the date is confirmed. If qts, please contact Kim at Shencrewkim@gmail.com

Transportation to Practice

Modified will get their bus outside the Gowana Bus port (near the Aquatic Center). The regular school buses will fill and depart the parking lot. Then the Shen Crew bus will pull up and pick up the rowers. Please do not approach the bus until it makes a complete stop. Do not eat on the bus.

Freshman will get the bus at HSW. Do not eat on the bus.

Varsity (Grades 10, 11 and 12) will get the upstate travel bus in the back lot of HSE. The bus will leave at 2:50pm, so please hustle out of HSE at end of day. Please do not eat on the bus.

Shen Crew Website

Did you accidentally delete the last newsletter? No problem – all newsletters are filed on the Shen Crew website for reference.

Questions, Comments, or Complaints ?

Please use the link on our website www.shencrew.com the link is in the upper right corner of the front page under the tag "Give Rowing A Try" It's an easy way to communicate with the Shen Crew Board, Executive Director, and Head Coach.

Liaisons can answer general qts:

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