

Upcoming Dates:

April 2nd-22nd – Flower sale

April 11th – Modified spring season begins

April 11 – May 20 – Hoffman Carwash sale

Chipolte Fundraiser - Tuesday 4/12 - 5:00 - 9:00

April 22nd – Varsity Pasta Party

April 23-24 – Saratoga Invitational

April 25-29 – Spring Break, V/F practice 8-12

Menchies Fundraiser - Wednesday 5/4 - 2:00 - 9:00

May 7 – Junior B/C's, high school small boats

May 8 – Varsity large boats in the AM

May 14 – States time trials and freshmen finals

May 15 – States finals

May 16-18 – flower pick up

Thanks Everyone!

It was wonderful to see so many new faces as well as the veteran families brave the weather at the parent meeting last Saturday. For those of you unable to attend, most information is available on the website, or you can contact your liaison (email addresses at the end of this newsletter) with any questions. Another great way to stay up to date and get access to pictures at regattas and other events is to sign up for our facebook group. It is a closed group, but anyone on our roster will be added within a day or two. If by chance your last name is different from your rowers, or grandparents and other family members wish to join, please let us know so we can recognize the names when they request to join.

Flower Fundraiser

Parents of Freshman and Varsity rowers who missed Saturday's parent meeting can pick up their Flower Fundraiser Packet at the boathouse this week. Packets are individually marked by last name in alphabetical order in a basket on the boathouse desk. Parents of Modified rowers who missed the meeting and would like their packets this week may pick them up at the home of Treasurer Nancy Paulsen, 8 Gleneagles Blvd., Malta, off exit 11 of the Northway. Those packets will be in a clear box on the front porch. Any questions, email Alan Paulsen at flowersalemanager@shencrewadmin.com.

SPAC Update

Thanks to everyone who came to our first SPAC training last Thursday. We had over 40 people at the session, including members from Modified, Varsity, Freshmen, Masters, and even a couple of coaches – Sarah and Scott, you rock! If you would like to get in on the action and help the club earn money for equipment and see some free shows in the process, there are several more training sessions planned over the next 8 weeks. There is serious money up for grabs here, and the more shows we work, the more we get. If you can make one of the following dates, please shoot an email to lauramcc9001@gmail.com and let us know and we'll add you to the training list. All the remaining sessions will take place at SPAC backstage from 6:00 until 8:30.

Thursday, March 31

Monday, April 11

Monday, April 25

Thursday, April 28

Monday, May 2nd

Monday, May 9

Tuesday, May 24

Thursday, June 2

Monday, June 6

Spring Season Volunteer Link:

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 for two weeks after parent meeting then after April 16th, you will be assigned a responsibility or a charge will be added to your account. If you have questions on any positions, please contact Mary Hanratty for assistance. Sign ups are done on a first come, first served basis. Thank you in advance for all your help.

- 1) Click this link to see our Sign-up on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/ekPJ1x>
- 2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

Chipotle fundraiser

Our next fundraiser for new equipment is Tuesday, April 12th from 5 until 9 at Chipotle in Clifton Park. Shen Crew will get 50(!) percent of all sales from anyone with a flyer, so we have a great opportunity to make some good money on this one. Remember to invite family, friends, and co-workers for a nice dinner with no cooking.

Modified Scrimmages

Racing with local teams will be held on Wednesday's in May (4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th) starting at 4:45. Additional information will be provided to the parents.

FREE MONEY from IGIVE for SHEN CREW:

Asking for all members to help! It will **NOT** cost you or your friends and family **anything**. If everyone would click on this link and register to IGive they will donate \$5 in the month of April to Shen Crew. No \$ from you nor purchase required. Email the link to friends and family - It's quick and easy and free money for us! Don't wait, this deal is for April only. If you have multiple emails (work & home, you can register from both and they'll send us \$5 from each address.) Thank you in advance
!! <http://www.iGive.com/shencrew> .

Website Updates

Please be advised the Shen Crew website is being updated over the coming months. We'll be updating content and reorganizing tabs to make it easier to find information.

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:

Modified: Gwen Friesen gfriesen@hotmail.com

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