

## Shen Crew Weekly Newsletter

### Upcoming Dates:

**April 1- 28<sup>th</sup>** – Flower Fundraiser - Orders & ck due Friday 4/28.

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

**April 26** – Chipolte Food Fundraiser 4:00 – 8:00- Tomorrow!

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

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

**May 1<sup>st</sup> or May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – New SPAC training available

**May 7** – BC Champs Regatta

### Saratoga Invitational

Our first regatta is Saturday 4/29/17 and Sunday 4/30/17. Varsity & Freshman will race both Sat & Sun while Modified races are Sunday only. Coaches will announce staggered arrivals and lines up prior to race day. Plan for a long day with first race being at 7:30 a.m. and last race at 7:20 p.m. The Food tent will have food & drink for athletes and coaches. Family members should plan to bring or purchase their food for the day. Parking is at Lee's Campground at Regatta site. Volunteers are welcome to bring dishes to share at the food tent, but please avoid use of any peanut products. Stay tuned for lineups from coaches.

**All kids should eat a nutritional breakfast before arrival** (2-3 hrs before their race)  
A Mid morning snack after their first race will be waiting for them but athletes should not come looking to eat upon arrival. Lunch and drinks will be served as well.

**\*\*We still need workers for Sat afternoon to help with lunch. All families must help serve one meal at one regatta!! Did you volunteer yet?!**

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

### Flower Fundraising order forms due Friday 4/28!

Reminder that all flower orders are due This Friday! Please see attached check list as reference for your master tally sheet, check drop off and order pick up date.

### 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 & food tent leaders - 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- end of this week fees will be added to final bills.) Last call, volunteer spot will close on Friday 4/28 for volunteer jobs.

<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 ages 16 & under)

**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)

## **Food Fundraisers – Tomorrow Chipolte - 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.**

We hope you'll take the night off from cooking, enjoy a meal and help Shen Crew all at the same time.

## **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 – \$112.50). 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.

## **SPAC Summer Concerts - Concert sign up coming this week**

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. **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. This went towards our new four boat & oars purchase that are being used this season.)

Watch for the email this week to choose your concerts. For those that are trained, you may choose as many concerts as you wish (we ask everyone trained to work at least one but welcome working multiple concerts). It will be first come first serve. We will need to report all names to legends by mid may so don't delay once you see the email. If you have qts, please email to Barb Moore. [barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com)

**New SPAC Volunteer Training (2 more sessions): Monday May 1<sup>st</sup> or Wed May 3<sup>rd</sup> are two more sessions 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 to [barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com) if you are planning on attending.

### **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 (Additional rooms were added - **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 room (first come first serve) at BestWestern 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. If you are getting this in error – please also send an email to be removed from the distribution list and name of previous rower. 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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Varsity & Freshman : Jane Neidhart [jfndvm@earthlink.net](mailto:jfndvm@earthlink.net)