

## **Upcoming Dates:**

**February 4** – Modified Recruiting Workshop – 9:30-12:00

**February 14** – Board Meeting – 7:00 Gowana Library

**February 19-20** – Modified & Masters Tanks trip

**February Break** – Practice schedule for Freshman/Varsity

Note – Newsletters will move to every other week during winter season

## **Modified Recruiting Workshop**

Mod Parents: Come meet the Executive Director at our mod recruiting workshop on Saturday, Feb 4th from 9:30 - noon in Rm 160 at HSE! Bring your ideas and perspectives as we review our current recruiting plans. We're very interested in building our modified team, and we want your input. Do you have a friend or neighbor who is considering crew for their middle school child? Ask them to attend this workshop so we can adjust our recruiting materials and presentations to appeal to new families.

## **Recruiting week thanks**

Message from Coach Sean: I would like to thank all of the athletes who helped throughout the week visiting the middle schools and the open house on Saturday. They all represented our team well by showing the potential new middle school rowers the hard work and fun that can be had with our sport.

Thanks to - Mike Campone , Trevor Christopher , Catherine Coy, Dominic Emphasis, Patch Gallagher, Brenna Hanratty, Jenny Harrington, Amanda Hayes, John Kennedy, Eli Kolins, Savannah McClendon, Maya McDonald, Max Palmer, Virginia Partlow, Toby Paulsen, Max Paulsen, Juliana Schmidt and Colby Webster

## **February Break practice**

Varsity & Freshman practice will be held normal schedule, all days at 3:30 over the February break at healthplex. Modified team will not have practice since school is closed but go to tanks trip instead.

## **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

It is expected that the committee will first meet in early March, with follow-on meetings as-needed to work through the overall details. Contact Jon Slepski if interested [jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com)

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

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: [Book your group rate for Shen Crew Parents](#)

### **Clynk bottle redemption**

Clynk is our replacement for the bottle drive! No more massive sorting days -- Hannaford's program is like a continuous bottle drive. Everyone who attended the fall banquet got a packet of 5 bags and tags, instructions, and some flyers to put on mailboxes. More flyers can be downloaded from the webpage -- check the Fundraising page. If you need more bags and tags, contact Nancy Paulsen ([receivables@shencrewadmin.com](mailto:receivables@shencrewadmin.com)) to arrange to get more.

### **Spring Crew Pricing for High School Crew**

**HS athletes:** Spring pricing has been set at \$830 (spread over 3 payments) for the season and includes tuition, bus transportation to practice, local regatta fees, and includes a 2 day travel regatta to Stotesbury; as always, rowers/coxswains who qualify for select regattas occurring after Stotesbury may incur additional fees.

- 1<sup>st</sup> payment: If your athlete has participated in winter training, your initial payment of \$275 is due on Monday, 27 Feb. If your athlete is returning after one or more seasons away, your first payment of \$425 is due on Monday, 6 Feb.
- 2nd payment: \$325 for winter participants, \$275 for spring only. Due date: Monday, 27 Mar
- Final payment: \$230 for winter participants, \$130 for spring only. Due date: Friday, 28 Apr
- ALL BUYOUTS DUE 28 April.

We intend to release the Mod spring pricing next month. Summer pricing will be set and released April 1<sup>st</sup> for advance notice and planning.

### **Monthly Board of Directors Meeting**

Monthly meetings are 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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