

Upcoming Dates:

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

November 18 – Fall Banquet/Pizza Party at HSE cafeteria 6:30-9:00

Mod Champs – Date & location TBD

Tail of Fish Regatta 9/24

The Tail of Fish will be the first fall regatta of the season. There are 34 teams registered with over 300 entries so traffic in the morning will be busy. This race is a 2 mile race (3200m) of youth & adult (masters) athletes. Races are expected to start at approximately 8:00am with the last race at about 3:30pm. Typically the coaches stagger arrivals based on race times and dismissal will be after the last Shen race and all boats are derigged & loaded onto the trailer. Modified racing generally finishes earlier in the day, and these rowers will be dismissed by the coaches when the derigging for their boats is complete. Parking for this regatta will be at Lee's Park and cost is approx \$15-\$20. There is free parking on side streets approaching Fish Creek bridge, but expect to walk up to a half mile to the race site. As the race times are finalized, a specific schedule will come from the coaches to include exact arrival times and line ups. Stay tuned.

(Here is link to Saratoga Rowing if you need directions:

<http://www.saratogarowing.com/sraregattas>)

Request for Varsity/Freshman Chaperones

We are in need of 4 Chaperones for the New Hampshire regatta Oct 15 & 16th. Chaperones will be expected to travel with the team and may be required to drive a van rented by the club. Other responsibilities include monitoring the rowers, helping the coaches with logistics and other details that can be found in the Chaperone Responsibilities policy on website. Note that Shen Crew will pay for & provide lodging and dinner for the chaperones.

If you are interested in taking on this responsibility or have questions, please contact jonslepski@shencrewadmin.com by Friday, September 23.

Pasta Parties

It's customary to hold a "social event" for the team prior to their first race. 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.

Note – thank you to the organizers of the Modified Team Ice Cream social event on Saturday 9/17, we heard positive feedback from all those that attended.

Pie Orders

If you are choosing to sell Grandma's Gourmet Country pies, Savory Sweets or Auntie Anne items for the fall fundraiser, orders are due 10/18 and pick up date is 11/21 (5-7pm). If you are actively selling pies, you have until the pie order deadline to complete your sales goal or pay for any partial buyouts of pie sales. All other buyouts are due on October 6th.

** For those who didn't receive your fundraiser packet yet, PLEASE pick it up at the boat house. There is a box of them with your name on the envelope. The deadline for the pie sales is approaching.

Tuition payments

Freshman/Varsity--The second tuition payment of \$215 is due next Monday, September 26th and with final balance of \$110 and any unmet buyouts due on Thursday, October 6th.

Modified--The second and final payment of \$200 is due next Monday, September 26th and any unmet buyouts due on Thursday, October 6th.

Please mail to Treasurer Nancy Paulsen, 8 GlenEagles Blvd., Ballston Lake, NY 12019 or put in lock box at boathouse.

Lost & Found

There have been a view items that have gone missing from the locker rooms. A Green Under Armour sweatshirt, new white Converse High tops size 7 and a Shen Crew rain shell which is monogrammed. Please check to see that your child did not bring something home in error. There is a lost & found box at the boathouse, please be sure to check there for your missing items and if your child took something by mistake, ask them to return it and put into the lost & found box the following day.

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)

New optional Fundraising offer for the new equipment fund

Scrip fundraising is a NON-SELLING program that allows families to raise money for Friends of Shen Crew by purchasing gift cards, or Scrip. Scrip is just another way to pay for everyday purchases using gift cards in place of cash, checks, and credit cards. Give as gifts for those hard-to-buy-people on your list. Think Scrip when buying for employees, customers, teachers and staff. We are kicking off this fundraiser during the holidays so that you can purchase your SCRIP cards (for gifts or stocking stuffers) and/or you order for yourself then use to Shop! We are listed in the program as Friends of Shenendehowa Crew.

How Do It:

Go to www.shopwithscrip.com

- Click Register
- Then click Join a Scrip Program
- Enter the enrollment code: **265LC9L15261L**
- Complete steps 1-5 to register
- Then simply select the retailer and quantity of the gift cards you would like to purchase.
- Print out the order form
- Make a check payable to FOSC
- Send the check and order form in an envelope labeled SCRIP with your child to practice on one of the due dates listed below. There will be a box labeled Scrip on the desk to place the envelope in and a volunteer will collect and place orders.
- The Scrip Volunteer will collect and place the orders
- The turnaround is about 2 weeks. You will be notified when the cards are available for pick up at the boat house.

Order Dates: We will offer 3 ordering dates during the upcoming holiday season.

1st Order Due Date: November 4th
2nd Order Due Date: November 18th
3rd Order Due Date: December 2nd

If you have questions regarding any of the fundraisers, please contact Barb Moore at barbmoore@shencrewadmin.com

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

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. Please do not eat on the bus.

Freshman will get the bus at HSW. Please 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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