

Upcoming Dates:

March 30 – Swim test, Shen pool

April 2nd – Parent meeting

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 Pary

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 16-18 – flower pick up

Parent Meeting

The parent meeting to kick off the start of the Spring Season will be Saturday, April 2nd at the boathouse from 10 – 12. This immediately follows practice for the varsity/freshmen teams from 8-10. Modified rowers will not practice but are encouraged to come to the meeting to meet their coaches. This is your chance to reconnect with Shen Crew, learn about our new fundraising opportunities, sign up for volunteer jobs, and ask any other crew related questions you may have. You can also pay your spring bill in person and save a stamp; statements went out this week if you are unsure what you owe. We are looking forward to seeing everyone there.

Spring Season Volunteer Link:

Each family is required to volunteer at least once during the season. Volunteering is mandatory; please sign up prior to April 2nd parent meeting. 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.

Mandatory Swim tests for new rowers:

Wednesday 3/30, 3:45 Shen Pool. Make-up date Wednesday 4/6, 3:45 Shen Pool.

Rowers can walk to the Shen pool after dismissal and change in the locker room. They will need to arrange for their own transportation home from the pool. Rowers taking the swim test will not be expected to attend practice that evening. The coaches are aware that these rowers will not be able to attend.

Any questions please contact Stacy Eisnor deisnor@nycap.rr.com

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.

New slings & special thanks

Special thanks to Layne McDonald who made more than 12 pairs of boat slings.

We appreciate her efforts and willingness to take on this project which is a great savings to the team. Thank you Layne!

Modified Scrimmages

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

Use iGive.com for online shopping and help Shen Crew

Do you send flowers to family out of state on Mothers Day or for special occasions? Do you shop for summer clothes or birthdays at Overstock, Amazon or other stores online? With iGive.com, you shop and they will donate to Shen Crew for free. There are over 1,000 online stores (Amazon, 1-800Flowers, American Eagle, LLBean, PacSun, Nike, Overstock & more) that participate and will donate a percentage of your sale to Shen Crew. ~ Learn more at: www.iGive.com/shencrew

SPAC Update

For those of you new to the club or coming back after a winter hiatus, SPAC is giving us an opportunity to raise money for new equipment by manning the concession stands during live nation events (concerts) over the summer. Anyone over the age of 18 can help out. We can raise up to \$10,000 a year for new equip, effectively doubling our current budget. This adds up. And once you are trained, you can help the club and see free shows every year! The first training session for the SPAC fundraising effort will be March 31st from 6:30 until 8:30 at St. Edward the Confessor Church. This church is located on Clifton Park Center road just back of the Shen campus. Please contact Laura McClendon at lauramcc9001@gmail.com for the details.

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:

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