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# CAMP RANDALL ROWING CLUB



Madison, Wisconsin



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Dear Friends,

Your past support for the Brittingham Boathouse Renovation Project enabled Camp Randall Rowing Club to significantly expand its communitywide rowing programs. 2009 has been an incredible year and I am writing to share our good news and to ask your help to install running water and toilets at the boathouse.

This summer we started a new We Can Row program for women cancer survivors and 25 women participated. CRRC also enrolled a record number of middle and high school students in our summer Learn to Row program. This fall we have 69 high school students participating in our fall program, competing in regattas around the Midwest and at Boston's Head of the Charles Regatta and winning!

***Nearly 100 rowers use the boathouse every day. Needless to say, we are all very proud of CRRC's growth and success. But our success has come with a price.***

You may remember that Phase I of the project focused upon straightening, stabilizing and moving the structure onto a secure foundation. The boathouse does not have running water or toilets. There is not even a water fountain along the bike path or in nearby Brittingham Park. In fact, we rely on port-a-potties and water carried to the boathouse by our dedicated volunteers. As our numbers increase, the lack of plumbing has become more and more of a burden.

Mayor Dave and the Madison Parks Division recognize the need and very generously included a challenge grant for the restrooms in the 2010 city budget. The city estimates that the restrooms, running water and a fountain will cost about \$120,000 and it will match every dollar that we raise up to \$60,000.

***The City plans to install the restrooms, the water and the fountain this winter. But our share of the money must be raised before construction begins. We must raise \$60,000 as soon as possible. The good news is that we already raised \$10,000!***

Please make a contribution to help with this project. Plumbing isn't "glamorous", but it is important to our middle and high school students and our We Can Row members! ***Every contribution will help us reach our goal. Thanks.***

Gratefully,

Steve Schaefer, CRRC President