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# PILGRIM LODGE

\$2 m  
\$1,857,065 as of 10/3/14

\$1.75 m

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**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 2013-14**

## SEE YOU AT THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Campaign will have an important presence at the Annual Meeting of the Maine Conference in Augusta, October 17 and 18. First and foremost, the Campaign will be reaching near the \$2,000,000 goal and we will be encouraging churches and individuals to help us top the goal by October 31. WE'RE EXPECTING TO BE OVER \$1,900,000 BY THE BEGINNING OF THE ANNUAL MEETING!!!!

Look for some special news and views about the campaign at Annual Meeting:

- an architect's model of the new Dining Hall
- a special video presentation of 2014 camper testimonies about PL -- the "why" we're doing this Campaign
- a Campaign Table where you can get PL stickers for your name tag if you or your church has pledged to the Campaign or find out what more needs to be done to get us over the goal!!
- a hearing on the Campaign where you can come and ask questions or take a closer look at the model of the Dining Hall
- Stop by the PL table and chat! We'll keep a running total on how close we're getting to the goal and what's news in the Campaign.

If you have any questions -- please contact Peter Heinrichs at [peheinrichs@gmail.com](mailto:peheinrichs@gmail.com) or call him at 207-615-2212.

### We're Crowdsourcing the Waterfront...huh?

Yes, we are the cool kids on the block! Have you ever heard of Crowdsourcing? It is a method to encourage online donations to specific projects and we are doing it for Pilgrim Lodge! For this to work, we need to get the word out. So, copy this link - <http://tinyurl.com/PL-Waterfront> - and send it out to all of your friends and family members. Ask them to go to the site and read about the needs and benefits of an updated waterfront at Pilgrim Lodge. Encourage them to make a donation. The catch with this type of giving is we must reach a certain goal (\$25,000) or we do not get any of the gifts. Let everyone know that. We have until October 31 to reach this goal, and I'm pretty sure we can (based on how generous people have already been to this campaign). So, tell everyone you know what crowdsourcing is and encourage them to give!

*By Pam Gormley*

# THE GOOD RACE

*Rev. Bryan S. Breault, Director of Outdoor Ministries*

**I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. – Philippians 3:14**

Much of camp, and of ministry feels like a race. A race against deadlines, replete with personal standards, and a commitment to make it happen no matter what comes along. Every year while getting camp together there are moments when I'm not quite sure if we're going to make it. The deadlines are hard and fast. Every year I have this disquieting fear that this is the year I'm not going to make it in time for the camp brochure, the online registration debut, the deans' retreat, the staff hiring process, all the details that need to come together before camp opens. Regardless of the lead-time and work I put in, I often end up pulling an all-nighter, or working through meals, or calling in help to get it done. And as I worry about the deadline, there is almost always someone who says to me "don't worry, it always gets done somehow."

That voice. That confidence. I should believe it because - it *does* always get done somehow. So here we are, fast approaching another deadline, the completion of the active fund raising part of the capital campaign. And we are so close! By any measure, this campaign is already a success, thanks to the hard work of so many dedicated people and the generosity of each donor. But we're still about a \$130,000 from the goal and the finish line is the end of this month. It's a neck and neck race to the end and I'm both confident we will pull it off, *and* worried that we might not. Yes, I live in the tension of two opposing beliefs simultaneously.

I don't think an all-nighter, or working through meals is going to cut it this time. This time it's calling in help. If you've been waiting to give, or just haven't gotten around to it, please help us get over the finish line. If you've already given or pledged, can you give a little more?

The race is a good race. It is the adrenaline from the question "will we make it or not?" that often gives me the push to get it done. Pilgrim Lodge is a great ministry and this is our shot at developing the ministry to take us into the future. "Don't worry, it always gets done somehow" That somehow is you. Please, help us press on, over the finish line and on to the upward call of God in Jesus Christ.

## SKETCH OF THE NEW DINING HALL\*

\*although it is still very much in the design phase—note: the color will not be the tan seen here but the yellow of The Lodge.

