

## **A NOTE FROM GABE**

Thank you for considering supporting our South County Crew team.

One of the great things the Army has provided for us is opportunities to try different things in different places. As many of you know, I played on my high school tennis team last year. I'll always enjoy playing tennis, but this year I'm trying something new.

For three years, I cheered for my big brother Nate from the shore in the pouring rain, wind, cold, and and sunshine. I spent so much time with the team last year that I started to feel like I was a part of the team. At Nate's graduation, the Crew coaches saw how difficult his graduating was for me. They asked me if they would see me at practice next year. They knew I needed the team.

Now it's my turn in a boat.

This year I decided to join the team and I couldn't have made a better decision. The Crew team has a community that I've never found before. As a team, we go through hard practices, cold rain, sore muscles, bleeding blisters, and exciting moments together, making a stronger bond. I am so thankful for this opportunity.

Crew is not just physically hard it's also mentally hard - and I love it! I also love that it's a military friendly sport. New kids are more than welcome on our team.

You help make all this possible with your kind donation. It's going to be a great Crew season!

Thank you for your support. - **GABE**