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Fundraising goal within reach

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He said enough has been raised to cover the cost of the memorial, with something extra to pay for construction overruns and to build the educational components he wants to be a major part of the project.

"The educational aspects of this are going to be very significant because this is something that's being taught in schools now and this memorial will show the local impact that these attacks had," he said. "We're very happy with where we are now, but we know we also have work to do to finish the job."

Ritman said he was confident the RTM would accept the gift.

"We've been able to do so much since we started the fundraising a year ago that we know we can do this," Ritman said. "I think the town is very secure about the status of our bank account."

In addition to the \$566,457 to build the memorial, the gift also includes a \$25,000

endowment for routine maintenance.

Sally Duval, a member of the Community Funds Project board, has been a longtime supporter of the project. Her brother, Teddy Maloney, was killed in the attacks.

She will be attending Monday's RTM meeting and said she was happy to see the memorial so close to being' finalized.

"It means the world to me and my family," Duval said. "We don't have gravesites to go to and there's no place in town that we can go to grieve or to spend some time remembering. It's a wonderful feeling to see it so close and it's been a long time coming."

On Saturday, SoulCycle, 266 Mason St., will donate all the fees of people who sign up for its 2 to 2:45 p.m. indoor cycling class to the memorial fund. The event is sponsored by Green and Tonic, which will provide free post-ride juice samples for participants. Tickets are on sale at Septimemorial green wich.



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Greenwich resident Ingrid Lenihan, left, touches a rendering held by architect Nicholas Rotondi of the proposed memorial to Sept. 11 victims planned for the Cos Cob Power Plant site. Lenihan lost her husband, Joseph Lenihan, in the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

org/events.html.

Duval said she appreciates all the financial support the memorial has received. People have given everything from \$10 to \$20,000, she said.

"The town has been so sup-

portive and it shows that this is a project that means something to everyone," Duval said. "Our town was hit so hard. This is a day that will never, ever go away. It's our generation's Pearl Harbor."