

## Eastwood Race a Huge Success

What takes 29 minutes 47 seconds? Answer: **Joseph Mora** completing Eastwood's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Park-to-Park Run. Joe was followed closely by **Miguel Contreras** of Fort Drum (30:27); **Tom Sargent** of Lafayette (30:32) and the 1<sup>st</sup> place female, **Jessica Snyder** of Rochester (31:06).

**Mayor Matt Driscoll** sounded the start of the race and 241 runners took off on their 5-mile trek through Eastwood. Perhaps the best description of the lovely Autumn event came from **Ray Holt**, who not only ran, but took photos all along the route. In Ray's words: "...The race itself was grand. Absolutely gorgeous city neighborhoods of Eastwood all decked out in their brightest Fall color..."

Volunteers and police officers, along with a well-marked route, helped to keep everyone on course and heading for that last lap around **Henninger's** track, where **County Legislator Mark Stanczyk** announced the runners' names as they crossed the finish line.



The after party was enhanced by the fabulous blue-grass sounds of **Diamond Someday** ([www.diamondsomeday.com](http://www.diamondsomeday.com)) who strummed and sang while the runners enjoyed the usual refreshments of cider, donuts, fruit and this year's addition of delicious soup provided by **Laci's Burger Joint**.



There were a couple of other welcome additions this year. The **Fun Run for Kids**, which took place just prior to the race, resulted in each participant receiving a prize, plus medals for the 3 top runners in the 100 or 300-meter dash. The development of **Syrathon** by the **City Parks & Recreation**

## Goodbye to Sue; Hello to Aaron & new officers



**Aaron D. Wood** was elected president of ENA for a one-year term to begin immediately. Mr. Wood, who is a vice president and financial

advisor for UBS Financial Services, previously served as the group's vice president. He also currently serves on ENA's Property Conservation and Marketing Committees. As president, Mr. Wood will work to increase awareness of ENA and its mission.

**Daniel Rogers** was elected vice president of ENA for a one-year term after serving for years as a member of the board. Mr. Rogers is an advisor for Liberty Mutual Group.

**Mary Conte** was elected secretary of ENA for a two-year term. Ms. Conte is a jobs coach at JobsPlus and a regular volunteer with the March of Dimes. She is a 30+ year resident of Syracuse.

Returning Director **Karl Herba** was re-elected treasurer of ENA for his third year on the ENA board. Mr. Herba is the owner of Fiducial Business Services and an active Eastwood Rotarian.

The Board and membership thank departing president Sue Straub and departing secretary Gail Tyndall for all of their hard work these past few years. Both promise to stay on as committed ENA members for which we are extremely grateful!

For more race info & photos:  
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## Welcome 2009-2010 Board of Directors

The election of this year's Board of Directors was held at ENA's Annual Meeting September 22. Returning for another 2-year term are **Karl Herba, Judy Lewis, Sharon Morrison, Dan Rogers** and for 1 year, **Sue Straub**.

New members elected for a 2-year term are **Nichole Moles and Janice Ridgeo**. They join current board members: **Annelise Bucci, Bridgett Byrnes, Mary Conte, Michael Grysko, Minch Lewis, Rollin Mincher, Mike Parzych, Gail Tyndall and Aaron Wood**.

Due to term limits, **John Cooper, John Keefe and Margaret McVicker** retired from the board. Each was recognized as Special Member. We say farewell and thanks to **Bill Goodwin, Anna Lamontagne and John Mariani** for their service as a director.



**Department** provided much excitement in the way of friendly competition, plus additional prizes for those who took part in the 5 race series.



Congratulations go out to all 223 runners and walkers who completed the course, with a special mention to our Eastwoodites who finished first in their age category: **Alli Dwyer**, age 14 (44:30), **Felicia Case**, age 30 (35:46) and **Nancy Smith**, age 56 (41:13).

Race Director, **Sue Straub**, says one of the main reasons the Park-to-Park Run began 3 years ago was to have a fun way to showcase **Eastwood** and some of our beautiful parks and neighborhood streets. The mission was accomplished on Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Eastwood to Bloom in Spring

The Green Thumb Committee Chair, **Annelise Bucci** would like to say 'thanks' to everyone who helped make this year's "**Eastwood in Bloom**" another tremendous success. Special thanks to **Liz Dardis** for the accommodations at the Eastwood Community Center.

At this year's event, held Oct. 3, a total of 2200 daffodil and tulip bulbs were given away to our residents. The day was made complete with a bargain filled 'Second-Time Around' table and our exciting raffle. Tickets had been on sale since August with a final tally of 581 tickets sold to help raise funds for this annual event. The lucky raffle winners were:

**Margaret McVicker**--Handmade Quilt; **Maria Corso**--Family Entertainment Basket; **Christian O'Brien**--Gone Fishing Pack; **Kathy Bucci**--Goody filled Cooler Tote; **Clare Cowre**--\$25.00 Gift Certificate; **Liz Buchanan**--Bag of 50 Daffodil Bulbs.

## ENA's 6th Annual Community Golf Tournament

The foursome dubbed "**The Putters**" won the tournament held on September 12 at **Sunnycrest Golf Course**. First place team members: **Bill Goodwin, Penny Judd, John Mariani** and **Muriel Smith** had a very impressive score of 25 for the Captain and Crew format. Each walked away with a **Walgreen's** gift card.

**Mike Smith** was the winner of the 'Closest to the Pin' contest and received a first-rate golf club donated by **Mann's Golf Shop**. Plenty of other prizes were raffled off to the participants. In all, 9 teams enjoyed themselves on the links and during the luncheon following the tournament, which also served as a Meet & Greet ENA's Board of Directors.

Many thanks to **Leih & Steigerwald, NY Bakery, Super Cuts and Mann's Golf Shop; Joe Burns** for his usual hospitality at the clubhouse; and **Greg and J. Bartlett** for their generous donation of **Starbuck's Coffee** that will be served at many upcoming ENA meetings. Hope to see you there!

## Palace Movie Nights to Aid Skate Park

**Brew and View** has once again chosen the Eastwood Skate Plaza as their



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charity of choice for the December movies. The movies are at the **Palace Theatre** and start at 7 PM. Both nights are double features for only \$8. A special reduced rate of \$6 is available if you dress in theme.

- Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> is a disco night theme and the movies are “**Pulp Fiction**” and “**Saturday Night Fever**”.
- Sunday, December 20 is a Star Trek theme and the movies are, you guessed it, “**Star Trek II**” and “**Star Trek First Contact**”.

So come on down with friends and family and enjoy a fun night at the movies while supporting your community. Remember, part of the ticket sales will go toward the Skate Plaza. We look forward to seeing you there!

## **A Stroll Down James St. Continues...**

Did you know the last history column contained an error regarding Tharrett’s Hardware Store? It was sold to the Parzych family on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1940 and renamed “**Alpar Hardware & Paint**”. Their slogan was “**If It’s Hardware, We Have It**”. After the death of Steve Parzych in 1952, Grace Parzych, his wife, took over the management – and this was quite a challenge as she was already busy raising seven children. The store was in business until 1967. Thanks, Mike, for the correction.

Continuing on with the **Bill – Jim Building** started in the last column, this was the site of the original theater in Eastwood, the **Melva**, which opened in 1923 and was in operation at least until 1927. Later the theater was reopened under the name **James Theater** from 1937 to 1941. Perhaps it was competition from the **Palace Theater** which opened in 1926 or Eastwood not having a large enough population to support two theaters that caused their short runs.

Next, comes **Chase’s Cigar Store**. The original store was just in the center of the building but has now been enlarged to the corner of North Edwards Avenue. A store was originally opened there in about 1940 and operated under the names of Kinningham, Lovitt and then Silverstein until 1948. In 1949 it became **Muff’s**. It was owned by **Jack Joyce** from 1953 until 1958 when **Dick and Helen Chase** bought it and ran it until 1985 when **Bob Fantacone**, the present owner, purchased it. Incidentally I understand that Bob Fantacone worked for Dick Chase when he was a student at Henninger High School. Before it was enlarged, the North Edwards Avenue corner of the building was home to many different businesses over the years, the **Eastwood Dog and Cat Hospital** receiving credit for perhaps the longest time, from 1940 to 1955. The last occupant was the **Hartman Bridge Studio** and Helen Chase enjoyed playing there.

## **ENA’S FIRST ANNUAL DONATION DRIVE A SUCCESS**

Thanks to the support and generosity of its membership, ENA’s first Annual Donation Drive has been deemed a success! Over \$2000 in member donations have been received in the response to the September appeal. The monies raised will be used to help with the organization’s operational costs and to assist with fund raising events to benefit Eastwood.

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING 12/8/09**

#### **Spotlights our Residential Property Conservation Committee**

**7 PM at the BLESSED SACRAMENT ALL PURPOSE ROOM**

Jessica Deer from Energy and Housing will be presenting on energy conservation measures in your home. She will also bring applications for anyone who would like to apply for the program(s). Don’t forget to bring canned goods and other non-perishable food to donate to the Eastwood Food Pantry and help those less fortunate during the holiday season.

### **COMMITTEE CORNER**

ENA committees focus on projects to improve Eastwood. Join us! Call the committee chair or e-mail [info@eastwoodneighbor.com](mailto:info@eastwoodneighbor.com).

#### **Green Thumb Committee**

Annelise Bucci 463-4794  
Maintains plantings, plans beautification events

#### **History & Archives Committee**

Preserves Eastwood's rich past and current ENA events

#### **Marketing/Publicity Committee**

Michael Grysko 506-8579  
Raises awareness about ENA and life in Eastwood

#### **Membership Committee**

Sharon Morrison 438-3132  
Builds membership and participation

#### **Residential Property Conservation**

Minch Lewis 463-6472  
Conserves quality of life, including 5-Star Program for rentals

#### **Safety Committee**

Explores ideas to keep Eastwood safe for residents

#### **Skate Park Research Committee**

Judy Lewis 463-6472  
Planning and raising funds to build a skate plaza in Eastwood

#### **Special Events Committee**

Sue Straub 437-5087  
Plans community building activities for Eastwood

#### **Youth Committee**

Rollin Mincher 420-0019.  
Explores youth issues and develops programs

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### CALENDAR

December	January	February
<p><b>8 – 7 pm General Membership Meeting <b>All ARE WELCOME</b>; Green Thumb meeting follows</b></p> <p><b>11 &amp; 20 – 7 pm Brew and View Palace Theater</b></p> <p><b>15 – 6 pm Marketing meeting (506-8579)</b></p> <p><b>16 – 5:30 Skate Park meeting @ Eastwood Community Center</b></p>	<p><b>12 – 6 pm Marketing Committee meeting (506-8579)</b></p> <p><b>15 - Green Thumb committee meeting (463-4794)</b></p> <p><b>20 – 5:30 Skate Park committee meeting @ Eastwood Community Center</b></p> <p><b>28 – 6 pm Membership Committee meeting (438-3132)</b></p>	<p><b>2 – 6 pm Marketing Committee meeting (506-8579)</b></p> <p><b>9 – 7 pm ENA Board Meeting</b></p> <p><b>17 – 5:30 pm Skate Park Committee meeting @ Eastwood Community Center</b></p> <p><b>25 – 6 pm Membership Committee meeting (438-3132)</b></p>

There are many ways to support the **Eastwood Neighborhood Association**. We ask that you consider becoming a member, a volunteer or making a gift.

**Yes**, I am interested in helping Eastwood to become an even better place to live!  
 I would like to:

**Volunteer** on the \_\_\_\_\_ committee.  
 Not sure which one to join? Contact us – we'll be happy to help you decide!

**Become a Member** (my check is enclosed)  
 \$10 Lifetime Membership

**Give a gift** of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to ENA. (my check is enclosed)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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