

15th Annual Red Dress Run

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To celebrate a very warm Summer Solstice, 122 fashionistas in red attire ran through the streets of Endwell. Thanks to their generosity, \$1200 was raised for the Crime Victims Assistance Center. The race volunteers and myself were truly amazed that the extreme conditions did not deter or dampen the spirits of the runners. Courtesy of New Balance, 6 gift certificates for shoes were awarded; one to first male and female and the other four via a raffle.

- First frock Male-Shawn Horan- 17:14
- First Frock Female –Cassandra Hamilton-18:36
- Best Buns—Emily Witherspoon-artfully displayed with a tutu and black unmentionables
- Most Cleverly Coordinated Ensemble—Joe Gwizdaloski—long print dress, purse hat and matching socks—rated “truly hot” by an anonymous judge
- Most Creative Coiffure—Adam Van Buren—fantastic big black wig which matched his revealed chest hair
- Most Desperate Housewife—Liz Jeremko—short and sweet but a subtle statement
- Greatest Gams—Sandy Jones—set off by her eye- catching Asics and hat
- Male Most In Touch With His Feminine Side—Mike Vorhees—a floor length gown set off by a headband and a shawl
- Finest Frock—Mike Kent— a true Southern Belle who wore his wife’s HS prom dress along with tassels and a large floppy hat—just right for running a hot hilly course

A heartfelt thanks to the many volunteers who makes this possible—Grace TabEEK, Barb Morrissey, Diane Flynn and Nancy LaBare for acting as judges, Paul McCabe and Tom Morrissey for parking and traffic control, Larry Lepak and Jennifer Woltjen as road marshals. Water stops were manned by George Joseph, Sue Priestly and Bob Hartmann. Thanks to Alan Jones for marking the course and setting out a hose and also to Kristy Zuber for arranging to have 3 other hoses out on the course.

Onsite registration was handled by CVAC staff: Rani Baudendistel, Exec. Dir., Megan Whalen, Marjean Dougherty, Lynn Murphy ,Faith Dzury, Tyna Eldred and Jean Rose-Klein. These great folks also provided bottles of ice cold water to the finishers, which was greatly appreciated.

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