

The 2010 Schenectady CROP Walker

Pat Wheeler Receives the Sr. Rachel Award



Assembling on the church lawn before the walk

The **Sister Rachel Award** recognizes a volunteer or group of volunteers who has had a significant impact on the CROP Walk, and who exemplifies the spirit, dedication and philosophy of volunteerism as witnessed by Sister Rachel Ricciardelli.

This year's recipient was Pat Wheeler of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Pat has worked tirelessly in her congregation to produce outstanding results. A retired teacher, she provides guidance to new recruiters on ways to increase participation in the CROP Walk.

Pat Wheeler (left) being recognized by Reverend Phil Grigsby (right)



Success once again! Over \$50,000 was raised at the 2010 CROP Walk in Schenectady. This year's Walk kept the new route, with walkers starting from Emmanuel Friedens Church, walking through downtown Schenectady, past the Greenmarket, onto the Bike Path, around part of the Union College campus, and back to Emmanuel Friedens. Over 600 walkers participated this year, down slightly because Clifton Park churches planned a local fall event. Everyone was grateful for cooperation in the weather department!



The registration table was a busy place!

T-shirts, anyone?



Money Raised by Lutherans

25 households from 4 Lutheran churches participated in the 2009 Crop Walk. Their funds raised were matched by Thrivent. Thrivent is a Lutheran affiliated insurance company that each year provides assistance in local communities where there are members. The local Thrivent chapter has matched local CROP Walk funds for several years. Locally, Thrivent has also supported Habitat for Humanity,

Local Pantry Recipients of CROP Walk Funds

- Sacred Heart/St. Columba's Food Pantry
- SICM Food Program
- Schenectady Nutrition Program for the Elderly (Catholic Charities of Schenectady)
- Community Crisis Network
- St. Vincent DePaul Society of St. Luke's Church



The Felton Family of Niskayuna included two of our youngest "walkers" and a canine friend, too!



The Many CROPWalk Participants

Corporate Sponsors and Friends

We acknowledge and thank the following corporations who have helped this year's Capital Region CROP Walk effort:

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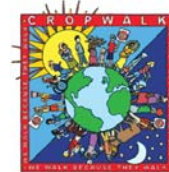
Corporate Friends

Daily Gazette
 Times Union
 The Record

Individuals and Groups

Schenectady Police and Fire Departments
 Niskayuna Police Department
 City Hall Staff
 All Recruiters
 All Registrars
 Catholic Charities Staff and Volunteers
 Emmanuel/Friedens Church (Rev. Larry Phillips, Marcia Tolman, Maria Puccio, Dave Snyder)
 St. Helen's Church & School (Rev. Bob Longobucco, Sr. Betsy Van Deusen)
 Key Bank (Downtown)
 Knight's Orchards
 Schenectady Amateur Radio Association
 SICM Staff & Volunteers
 Scotia Meal Site Volunteers
 All Senior Meal Sites
 Stanford/Albany Street United Methodist Church
 (Members for Rest Stop)

Fisher United Methodist Church (Clark Cooper & Youth Group .. for signage along the route)
 Onderdonk-Milne Family and all parking volunteers
 Lorraine Poirier Family
 The Sisters of St. Joseph
 Thrivent Financial
 (Mary Gray and Ellen Harris)



A SPECIAL THANK YOU
to all who recruited walkers, solicited pledges and made pledges through the Schenectady CROP Walk website!

2010 Congregations and Organizations

Participants in the 2010 walk, as determined by pledge forms turned in the day of the walk.

Albany Street U.M.C.
 Bellevue Reformed Church
 Burnt Hills U.M.C.
 Carman U.M.C.
 Catholic Charities of Schenectady
 Center Glenville U.M.C.
 Eastern Parkway U.M.C.
 Emmanuel-Friedens Church
 Faith U.M.C.
 First Baptist Church, Schenectady
 First Baptist Church, Scotia
 First Reformed Church, Schenectady
 First Reformed Church, Scotia
 First Unitarian Society
 First U.M.C.
 Friendship Baptist Church
 Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
 GE Volunteers

Grace Lutheran Church
 Immaculate Conception
 Immanuel Lutheran Church
 Lisha Kill Reformed Church
 Lynnwood Reformed Church
 Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons High School
 Niskayuna High School
 Niskayuna Reformed Church
 Our Lady of Fatima Church
 Our Lady of Grace
 Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
 Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
 Rotterdam U.M.C.
 Sacred Heart/St. Columba's Food Pantry
 Schenectady Friends Meeting Society
 Schenectady Inner City Ministry
 Scotia U.M.C.
 St. Anthony's Church
 St. Gabriel the Archangel Church
 St. Helen's Church and School
 St. John the Baptist Church
 St. Joseph's—Scotia
 St. Luke's
 St. Paul's Church
 St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

SROA (Downtown)
 Stanford U.M.C.
 Trinity Presbyterian Church
 Union College:
 Multi-Faith Council
 Campus Ministry
 Union Presbyterian Church
 Woestina Reformed Church
 Woodlawn Reformed Church

