

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE EVANSTON RUNNING CLUB HISTORY

- 1973 - Evanston Running Club is formed
- 1975 - Club is incorporated. Bruce Holmes becomes the first president. Annual dues are set at \$10
- 1977 - First Mayor Daley Marathon run. 4,200 runners participate including club member Will Van Dyke
- 1980 - First annual Chili Run.
- 1985 - Summervals (outdoor track at ETHS) begin
- 1986 - ERC starts competing in CARA Circuit Competition
- 1989 - Clyde Baker runs 60 miles on his 60<sup>th</sup> birthday and raises \$11,000 for Alzheimer's research.
- 1992 - Wintervals (indoor winter track at Evanston Township High School) started
- 1994 - Monday Lakefront runs begin
- 1995 - Saturday Morning Lakefront Run (SMLR) established
- 1996 - Club begins helping staff the Chicago Marathon Aid Station
- 2000 - Weekly emails start
- 2006 - Post-Marathon dinner-out begins
- 2009 - Pizza nights start, now once a month after Summervals
- 2008 - ERC gets its own Aid Station (#12) at the Chicago Marathon. In 2014, 250 volunteers and 100 runners participate.
- 2009 - Club gets its own website! Membership begins to increase rapidly as ERC become easier to find.
- 2010 - SMLR/Marathon training group established.
- 2011 - Club gets Facebook page and joins the world of social media
- 2011 - Cross-Country Invitational started by ERC. 5 Chicagoland running clubs attend the first race.
- 2012 - New Member Coffees started.
- 2014 - Membership has grown to 500 active runners. Dues are still only \$25 for individuals.
- 2014 - Club runs now scheduled every day but Friday and TWICE on Saturday
- 2015 - ERC is re-incorporated, joins Road Runners Club of America