

PRESS RELEASE

Former Parma Mayor Dean DePiero announces Ninth Annual 5k Run/ 2k Walk

Parma: Have a goal of running a 5k in the New Year? If so, you're in luck! There's plenty of time to train and get ready for former Parma Mayor Dean DePiero's Ninth Annual 5k Run/2k Walk.

The Parma Area Chamber of Commerce just honored Dean DePiero's 5k race/2k walk with the prestigious "Pride Award" for "Best Community Event" and we are excited to announce this year's race is

Saturday, June 23rd, 2012 at Parma, Ohio's own **Byers Field** (corner of Day Dr. & Ridge Rd).

The race begins at **8:30 a.m.** Hundreds of runners from all over Northeast Ohio compete in DePiero's 5k each year and enjoy the flat, accurate course around Parmatown Mall and Ridgewood Lake.

All proceeds from the Run/Walk benefit **the Parma Hospital Foundation**.

DePiero finished his second full term as Parma Mayor at the end of 2011 and is now a full-time attorney with McDonald-Hopkins Law Firm in downtown Cleveland, specializing in business and municipal law, and government affairs.

"I started this race nine years ago, in my first year as Mayor, and I also run in it every year," said DePiero.

"It's a fantastic opportunity to not only give back to the Parma community by helping the Parma Hospital Foundation, but to also have some fun."

Pre-registration is going on now! You can register online at www.deandepiero.com or www.hermescleveland.com

First 300 registrants get a free t-shirt

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