

Veterans' Fundraiser Dinner

On March 27th at the American Legion Post 71 in West Duluth, Veterans' Memorial Hall Advisory Committee member and Society Board of Governors member Command Sergeant Major John Werner, U.S. Army, Retired, former commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Afghanistan, spoke to the group assembled for a pork chop dinner event on his experiences in the Middle East. Society Executive Director JoAnne Coombe also presented on the history of the Veterans' Memorial Hall Program at that event. This event was coordinated by Society Board member and VMH Advisory Committee member John Marshall.

Veterans' 5K Fun Run

2015 marked the opening year of this popular 5K race, which was also organized by John Werner, member of the Veterans' Memorial Hall Advisory Committee and also the Society's Board of Governors. On May 17th 44 runners started from the Twig Bakery for this "Fun Run" event. The race was won by Jeff Carver, with Harry Cottrell, then Veterans' Memorial Hall Program Manager, coming in second. There were also many other winners, in various categories. In addition, a family-friendly \$5 pasta plate dinner was held at the Twig Bakery the evening before the race and was much enjoyed.



The Fun Run in progress, with winner Jeff Carver second from right and Board and Committee member

John Marshall on right