

ECMAA Newsletter

OCTOBER 2020



Wegen Le Wegen Walk

FEATURED EVENTS

Annual Meeting
Sunday, 10/25, 3pm

Every Fall, as ECMAA concludes its calendar year and prepares to launch a new year. At the meeting, we will provide our annual report, report on our plans and hold an election.

Join us, get to know the Board and participants. Attendees in the past have gotten on the board, have become volunteers who have helped us plan events, develop a strategic plan, develop a customer relations management system and assist those in crisis.

Let us know if you'd like to be on the Board by sending us an email at ecmaany@gmail.com. Join us on zoom: 856 4117 2698

From the Board

We hope you're settling into the Fall well. We're excited and busy preparing for our upcoming annual membership meeting on **Sunday October 25, at 3pm**. Be sure to join us as we provide updates, look ahead and hold elections.

ECMAA is stronger with each person who steps in and does what they can. A strong group of people were drafted and volunteered to join the Board of Trustees two years ago. Since Board terms are two years, ten position are open for election. We need the next round of community members to help lead ECMAA and shape the next couple of years. Much infrastructure has been built over the last 5 years. The next phase is expanding reach and further reflecting the diversity of our community. We need you, your skills, experience, commitment, passion, good-intention and your time to keep building the fun, educational, resourceful organization we have built together.

Attached with this newsletter are the positions open for election. They include President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and several General Board positions. We meet once a month, plan our events for the year and work together to execute them effectively while being responsive to whatever comes up along the way. We need you, let us know if you're interested or reach out to us with a nomination of someone on the Board.

Those of us on the Board have benefited from new friendships and connections. We've developed stronger communication and technical skills. We've been trained in Mental Health first aid and do event planning and each of us has stepped out of our comfort zone and have become all the better for it. It's a wonderful time to be part of this great group (if we say so ourselves :).



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OTHER EVENTS

Ethiopian Conference Day October 10, 2020, 3pm to 5pm

There is an international day of solidarity promoting unity in Ethiopia. Some New York Organizers have scheduled a conference call as a sign of solidarity. The conference will be held on zoom. You can find out more [here](#).

Zoom Meeting ID: 2597221598
Password: 762991

You can also call in: 929-205-6099

GET INVOLVED

Visit our website www.ecmaany.org for ongoing updates and to [become a member](#). Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [instagram](#) for the most up to date information on what's going on.

Finally, if you or those you know need immediate food and other assistance click on the links based on where you live [New York](#), [New Jersey](#). For more general COVID related assistance, go to [ACCESS NYC](#).

Wegen Le Wegen NJ Walk and Other Updates

We had a fantastic walk in New York City for Enkutatash. The **New Jersey Walk is this Saturday, October 10 between 8 and 11am** in two locations: North Brunswick and West Orange. You can walk or sponsor a walker. You can sponsor a walker [here](#) and you can sign up to walk [here](#). Some lovely t-shirts will be available to walkers and a raffle will be held for a free outing to three restaurants (Ethiopian, Italian and bakery). Join us! A flier with details is attached.

You can also make a direct contribution [here](#) to help Ethiopian fight and recover from COVID-19. As you can imagine, every dollar will have a strong impact. The group has raised about \$55K to date, we have a long way to go and need your help. [Donate today!](#)

Wegen Le Wegen has been a fantastic way to collaborate with all Ethiopia related organizations in the tri-state area. We have strong leadership in each of the religious, professional and social service oriented groups. We've been inspiring and pushing each other to be and do better. We're committed to each other for the long haul. Let us know if you'd like to help.

Register to Vote! Get Counted!

The time to register to vote in this election is winding down. The deadline for registration is October 9 in [New York](#), and October 13 in [New Jersey](#), and October 27 in [Connecticut](#).

Census self-reporting time has also been extended to October 31. Go to <https://2020census.gov/en.html> to make sure your household is represented.