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### **NPA-TV: 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Northeast - Recognized for Outstanding Programming**

The Alliance for Community Media's Northeast Region recently announced the winners of their 12th Annual Video Festival and Norwood Public Access Television has earned three awards! NPA-TV staff members Jack Tolman, Karen Feeney Murphy, Ryan Walker & Meghan Staffiere will be on hand to accept the awards at the upcoming video festival in CT on Nov 7th.

NPA-TV's three awards fell into two categories. Coming in 1st place in the "Live Event" Category was NPA-TV's Coverage of the **2009 Dancing with the Norwood Stars**. And coming in 3rd place in the same category was **Norwood Digest: Live at the 2008 Norwood Day!** Placing 2nd in the "Issues & Political Process" Category was **Norwood Votes 2009: Election Night Results**.

Nancy Richard, Chair of the ACM-NE region and the contest organizer, reported that more than 70 public access stations throughout New England and New York participated in the contest. "This is our 12th annual festival, and every year it gets bigger and better. We had 435 entries this year – 15% more than last year – and the high quality of the entries was impressive. The Alliance for Community Media Northeast Region is dedicated to promoting and supporting PEG access in New England and New York. With this contest, we reach out to our grassroots base – the producers and access centers of the Northeast Region. It's very exciting to see what other PEG centers and producers are doing to make access exceptional."

Scott Murphy, President of the NPA-TV Board of Directors couldn't be prouder of the NPA staff. "This is a big moment for us. We have such a unique and incredible team here at NPA and to have them be honored like this shows the rest of the country how lucky we are here in Norwood."

NPA-TV Station Manager Jack Tolman says to be acknowledged by your peers is a truly great feeling. "We are so proud of what we have accomplished in only 5 years here in Norwood and to have that recognized on this level is quite an honor."

NPA-TV Station Coordinator Karen Feeney Murphy acknowledges the on-camera talent involved in all three award-winning programs. "Without the truly talented volunteers we have hosting these programs for us, no amount of creative or technical expertise would suffice."

Volunteer Jack McCarthy is host of two of the winning programs: Norwood Digest & Election Night. "I think it is great that the Alliance has recognized what we in Norwood have known for years. Namely that NPA-TV is the best local cable station around. The staff that work here are so talented and dedicated to broadcasting quality and entertaining programming. I am proud to be associated with them."

Norwood Public Access television is celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> year of existence. If you have ever wondered how to produce your own local access television program or wanted to get involved in programs already being produced, then call NPA-TV at 781-551-0338 today! For more info, visit the NPA-TV website at [www.npatv.org](http://www.npatv.org).

NPA-TV's Channels are:

Town Channel - Norwood Light Broadband channel 23, Comcast ch 8 or Verizon ch 35

School Channel - NLB ch 22, Comcast ch 12 or Verizon ch 34

Community Announcements Channel - NLB ch 24, Comcast ch 22, or Verizon ch 33