



Leesburg Police Citizens Support Team

Monthly Newsletter

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The list of events held in the Town of Leesburg influences the amount of time spent by Support Team members by helping to direct traffic, doing foot patrols, and manning tables to distribute DNA identification information to residents. Usually, this list begins to grow significantly in April, the Flower and Garden Festival and the Poker Run being the largest events of the year. Signup sheets are always readily available for Team members to make their commitment to works these events.

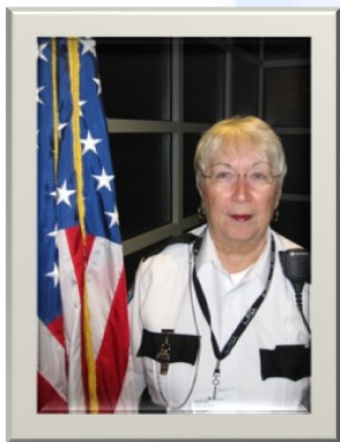
Support Team Training

The MC-3 training has been deferred to the April 7 meeting. MPO Officer Chris Tidmore will give a tour of the MC-3 field unit vehicle as a part of the team's ongoing training. The MC-3 is basically a mobile police station without interview rooms. It is equipped for video monitoring and communications. It has on board telular phone systems and hard line connection abilities as well as satellite phones. The MC-3 has television on board (satellite) for viewing news updates, weather, etc. It has a conference room and bathroom facilities and a communications center. This will be done immediately following the meeting.

Town of Leesburg Map

The "Vistor's Hometown Guide & Street Map" for the Town of Leesburg has been updated and re-designed. The map will be made available to you at the April 7 Team meeting. With the additions of new roads, this version of Town map will be helpful to find specific locations with relative ease. Be sure to keep copies available in your vehicles.

Special Feature: Team Member of the Month



Sandy Kane is serving in her second year as President of the Leesburg Police Citizens Support Team. She has been a member of the Support Team for eight years. Since she has retired from her professional career as a photographer, Sandy currently devotes her time to serving as a volunteer in a variety of capacities: President of the Leesburg Crime Line, member of the Economic Development Commission, Vice Chair of the Standing Residential Traffic Committee, member of the Performing Arts Center Board of Directors, Member of the Loudoun Symphony Orchestra Executive Board, and member of the Leesburg Dogs Board of Directors. Sandy celebrates her 46th wedding anniversary on June 26 with her husband Bill. They have one daughter, two granddaughters, and a chocolate Labrador retriever, Radley. Sandy has been a resident of Leesburg since 1997.



Value of Volunteer Time

Independent Sector recently announced that the 2010 estimate for the value of a volunteer hour is \$21.36 per hour. The computation for hours worked in 2010 is as follows:

ST Members: Three less members than in 2009

Events dropped from 49 to 39 patrol hours. Hours changed from 8,050 to 6,092

Hours spent on events: Dropped from 531 to 438

Hours worked in 2010: 6,530.

It is important to note that the Team's qualified volunteers perform tasks that free up police officers and serve as role models for the Leesburg community. The net value of the volunteer hours worked by the Leesburg Police Citizens Support Team in 2010 was \$139,480.80.

The Support Team members speak with residents of the community about recruiting additional members. As the membership grows, this permits the Team to be a more effective group to the Leesburg Police Department.

Warmest Regards: Special birthday wishes are extended to the following Support Team members —

APRIL

Vicky Petty 4/18

Pat Edwards 4/24

