



# Leesburg Police Citizens Support Team

## Monthly Newsletter August, 2011

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**Let's All Volunteer!** We have many opportunities in August to volunteer at events, beginning with National Night Out on Clubhouse Drive on August 2, Back to School Free Physical Day at Cornwall Hospital on August 6, and the 9/11 Motorcycle Ride through Leesburg on August 19. Please see if you can find time to volunteer at one or more of these events.

### Ron Leetch



Ron was born and grew up in Upstate New York and served in the US Navy during the Korean War in weather-related research on the jet stream, rain-making, and forecasting hurricanes. In December 1954, he was recruited by IBM and began working for them in January 1955. Ron worked out of IBM's Poughkeepsie Sales Office for seventeen years and, in 1972, was transferred to the Washington, DC area. Ron married his wife, Pat, in 1958, and they raised four girls. Ron and Pat now have five grandsons and one granddaughter. Ron retired from IBM in July 1991. Since then he has kept busy doing crafts, volunteering and traveling. Ron has been a member of the Support Team since it was chartered in April of 1996.

### July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade with Support Team Participation

Support Team members Raymond Kirkpatrick, Lora Tacey, and Maggie Longhurst participated in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade this year. While Raymond piloted the barrel train in the parade, Lora and Maggie drove one of the Team's marked cruisers. The Team members report that it was hot and the crowd seemed to appreciate the Team's vehicles.

### Important Fact

**"A Homeland Security Department study found that 70 percent of terrorist plots *are initially detected by local residents or police.*" - Seattle Times**

We should all remain alert to unusual activities of persons or vehicles in our own neighborhood and the Town of Leesburg. Per Department of Homeland Security: **If you see something, say something.** Just this week an alert sales clerk's suspicions and report to police stopped what was likely to be another terrorist attack on Fort Hood, Texas.