



Leesburg Police Citizens Support Team Monthly Newsletter September – December, 2018

Leesburg Airshow, Sep 29

The Citizens Support Team provided airport ramp foot patrols and assistance in Sycolin Road traffic direction for this very popular, well-attended event. Maggie Longhurst (ST-3) and Michael McDaniel (ST-12) covered the morning hours of foot patrol, while Jan Hepburn (ST-10) and Charles Perry (ST-2) walked the ramp during the afternoon. Charles reports that he and Jan were quickly on the scene of a personal injury accident during their tour of duty and assisted in directing EMS medical help to the location. ST President Ray Delpesche (ST-6) also attended the event as VFW Commander at the VFW tent and carried his Support Team radio in case of emergencies. Steve Hood (ST-4) assisted LPD officers with traffic and pedestrian control on the busy Sycolin Road throughout the day. Well done, ST members!

Catoctin Elementary School Harvest Fest, Oct 19

A spooky event which started at sundown and ran for another 2 hours. Maggie Longhurst and Steve Hood ran the barrel train for an overflow crowd of young goblins and princesses and super heroes who wanted rides. Before the rides started, Steve and Officer Stephan Winkler had to do a fast tire change on one of the barrels, but everything went fine after that.





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ARC of Loudoun barrel train rides, Oct 25

Lots of kids, lots of smiles, lots of train whistles! So many happy kids rode our barrel train with help from Support Team members Greg Clark, Maggie Longhurst, and Steve Hood. Leesburg Officers Winkler and Hackney, who transported the train to and from the ARC, gave "high fives" to the kids on the train as they passed. Thanks to all who made these kids' day!

ST Members Help in Police Department Exercise, Oct 28

On short notice, four Support Team members (Ray Delpesche, Michael McDaniel, Charles Perry, and Steve Hood) volunteered to man perimeter security tapes at the Leesburg Corner Outlet Mall to keep curious bystanders from entering the area where Leesburg Police officers and Loudoun EMS members were conducting an emergency preparedness drill/exercise. We CAN help make a difference! Thank you, gentlemen!





Leesburg Halloween Parade, Oct 31

Lots of kids and parents for this popular annual Leesburg event and three Support Team members (Jan Hepburn, Charles Perry, and Steve Hood) assisted the Leesburg Police Department with crowd and traffic control on King Street.



Veterans Day Ceremony at The Marshall Home, Nov 11

Steve Hood provided traffic control at the entrance of the Marshall Home for this annual event.

While the following picture is not from a Support Team activity, we must give Team member Jan Hepburn (ST-10) and the Leesburg Senior Center dance group kudos for performing for our local veterans at the Center's Veterans Day lunch.

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INMED/MotherNet Thanksgiving Dinner, Nov 20

Maggie Longhurst, Chris Miller, Ray Delpesche, and Steve Hood assisted the Leesburg Police Department in serving Thanksgiving dinner to approximately 60 needy adults and children in this annual event.



Leesburg Holiday Parade, Dec 8

'Don we now our cold weather apparel...' Four Support Team members suited up to provide the Leesburg Police Department and the Town of Leesburg with traffic and crowd control assistance for the 2018 Leesburg Holiday Parade. Maggie Longhurst, Chris Miller, Ray Delpesche, and Steve Hood worked this popular event. Lots of fun!

Holiday with the Cops, Dec 9

One never knows if this will be the last event of the year, as emergency call-outs for the Support Team occur with no notice, but a group of Support Team members and their friends rallied to provide help for this heart-warming gathering of cops and kids. Starting with 18 kids and a free evening meal provided by the Leesburg Diner, the cops and kids and STs headed to Target where the kids were encouraged to holiday shop (with their assigned cop) for themselves and their families with \$200 gift cards. After shopping and checking out, the kids and cops retired to the Target employee conference/training room, where the Citizens Support Team members and their friends wrapped every present. Then the cops transported the kids and their presents back to their homes. Doing the honors this year were: Maggie Longhurst, Deb Walczak, Carly Zoerb (our new ST-8), Steve Hood, and Sue Boland and daughter Kelly Owen. Thanks to all who helped!