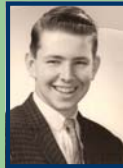


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Roy L. Jeannotte



ROY JEANNOTTE WAS A STRAIGHT SHOOTER... AND A PERSON YOU COULD COUNT ON FOR QUALITY AND HONESTY IN EVERYTHING HE DID. HIS LEGACY OF SERVICE LIVES ON IN THE WORK HIS FAMILY IS DOING THROUGH THE R.L. JEANNOTTE MEMORIAL FOUNDATION.

I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR PRESENTERS FOR THIS EVENING'S AWARDS, AND ASK THEM TO JOIN ME ON THE STAGE WHEN IT IS TIME TO MAKE THEIR RESPECTIVE PRESENTATIONS. THEY ARE:



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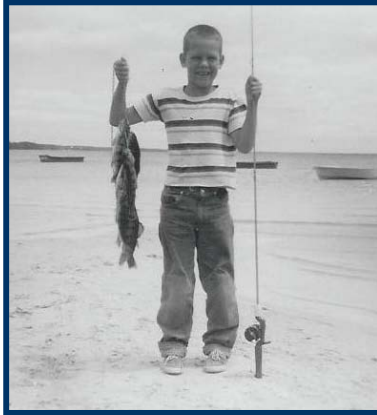
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TERRY WAS BORN IN TOLEDO, EDUCATED IN OHIO AND MOVED TO WESTFORD MA IN 1983. WHEN A CHILD, TERRY RECEIVED A SHOCK FROM AN ELECTRICAL OUTLET. THIS EXPERIENCE FOSTERED HIS INTEREST IN ELECTRONICS.

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HE SAW THE OPPORTUNITY TO FURTHER THE STUDY AND SERVE HIS COUNTRY SIMULTANEOUSLY BY VOLUNTEERING TO SERVE IN THE NAVY IN 1971. TERRY SERVED ACTIVE DUTY FOR THREE TOURS IN VIETNAM ON A GUIDED MISSILE FRIGATE USS GRIDLEY.

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WHILE ON LEAVE IN 1973, TERRY MET LYNNE. SHE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF THE CHOIR IN WHICH HIS PARENTS PARTICIPATED. TERRY'S PARENTS KNEW THAT LYNNE, BEING A REDHEAD (AND A KIND PERSON) WOULD BE A PERFECT MATCH FOR THEIR SON. LYNNE WAS INTRIGUED FROM THE START AND ONLY THREE DAYS AFTER THEIR FIRST DATE, THEY WERE ENGAGED.

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SIX MONTHS LATER, IN TOLEDO, THEY WERE MARRIED. THIS YEAR THEY CELEBRATED THEIR 32ND ANNIVERSARY. THEY HAVE A DAUGHTER EMILY AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS, CHRISTINA AND AMANDA.

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TERRY HAS JOINED HIS INTEREST IN ELECTRONICS WITH HIS CAREER. HE IS ASSOCIATED WITH BLADE LOGIC, A SOFTWARE COMPANY IN LEXINGTON, AS A NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR. IT IS HOWEVER TERRY'S EXTENSIVE VOLUNTEER WORK FOR WHICH WE RECOGNIZE HIM THIS EVENING. AS A LONG TIME MEMBER OF THE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN A SMALL OHIO TOWN, TERRY'S DAD WAS AN EARLY ROLE MODEL FOR VOLUNTEERISM IN THE COMMUNITY.

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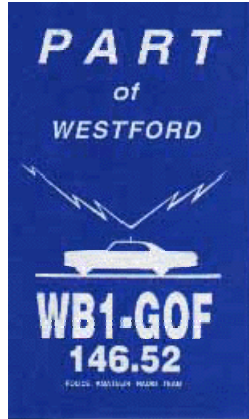


SINCE MOVING TO WESTFORD, TERRY'S PRIMARY VOLUNTEER ROLE HAS BEEN TO OFFER COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT TO POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS THROUGH HIS TRAINING IN AMATEUR RADIO AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE.

MANY ORGANIZATIONS BENEFIT FROM TERRY'S TIME AND EXPERTISE. EXAMPLES INCLUDE RADIO AMATEUR CIVIL EMERGENCY SERVICES (RACES) AND AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE (ARES).

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MOST NOTABLY IN THE NASHOBA VALLEY, TERRY VOLUNTEERS TO THE POLICE AMATEUR RADIO TEAM (PART) WHICH PROVIDES COMMUNICATION SKILLS TO THE WESTFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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IN THE EARLY DAYS OF P.A.R.T., BEFORE CELL PHONES, CLUB MEMBERS WOULD REPORT ANY EMERGENCIES OBSERVED WHILE DRIVING TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WHERE THEY MAINTAIN A HAM RADIO STATION. ONE P.A.R.T. PROJECT KNOWN AS "PUMPKIN PATROL" ASSISTED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BY PLACING "HAMS" AS EXTRA EYES DRIVING TO DESIGNATED AREAS SUCH AS SCHOOLS ON HALLOWEEN WATCHING FOR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY AND ALERTING THE POLICE BY RADIO.

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UPON MOVING TO WESTFORD, TERRY RESURRECTED THIS ANNUAL PUBLIC SERVICE PROJECT. HE HAS BEEN THE CORNERSTONE OF THIS ACTIVITY FOR OVER 20 YEARS. WESTFORD POLICE CHIEF ROBERT WELCH SAYS OF TERRY, "WE CONSIDER TERRY A PARTNER, SOMEONE WHO SEES THESE IMPORTANT P.A.R.T. SERVICES CARRY FORWARD." CONTINUED CHIEF WELCH, "TERRY ALWAYS HAS THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY FOREMOST AT HEART."

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TYPICAL OF TERRY HE RESPONDED QUICKLY TO A REQUEST FROM THE WESTFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT TO SET UP A SHELTER AT THE CAMERON SENIOR CENTER. THIS WAS TO ASSIST THE ELDERLY WESTFORD RESIDENTS WHO HAD LOST POWER DURING THE AUGUST HEAT WAVE. HE NOT ONLY HELPED SET UP THE SHELTER, BUT SPENT MOST OF THE NIGHT THERE UNTIL POWER WAS RESTORED AND THE EVACUEES WERE ABLE TO RETURN HOME.

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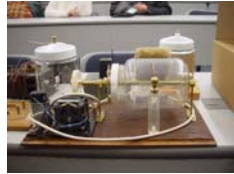
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TERRY ALSO VOLUNTEERS TIME TO THE ANNUAL APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL IN WESTFORD. WHILE P.A.R.T. MEMBERS HAVE PROVIDED RADIO COMMUNICATIONS FOR SEVERAL YEARS, “TERRY TOOK IT TO ANOTHER LEVEL” ACCORDING TO BO BUDINGER, CURRENT P.A.R.T. PRESIDENT. HE WAS ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THIS “DUE TO HIS COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING ACQUIRED IN 2005.”

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BECAUSE OF HIS EXPERIENCE WITH THE COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS USED BY POLICE AND FIRE, SKILL IN AMATEUR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, AND CERT TRAINING, TERRY IS THE IDEAL VOLUNTEER FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE SHOULD POWER, CELL PHONES, OR TELEPHONE FACILITIES FAIL.

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IN THE STATE AS A WHOLE AS WELL AS THE NASHOBA VALLEY, TERRY HAS PROMOTED AWARENESS OF AMATEUR RADIO AS AN EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVE COMMUNICATION DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCIES AND DISASTERS. ROB MACEDO ARES EMERGENCY COORDINATOR FOR EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS IS QUOTED AS SAYING, "TERRY IS DEVOTED TO PROVIDING COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT FOR AGENCIES SUCH AS THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE AND THE MASS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY AND CONNECTING THE AGENCIES TO NASHOBA VALLEY COMMUNITIES.

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HE HAS MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THESE AREAS OVER THE 11 YEARS I HAVE KNOWN HIM.”

IN ADDITION TO HIS AFOREMENTIONED VOLUNTEER EFFORTS, TERRY IS THE REGION 1 RADIO AMATEUR CIVIL EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER. THIS IS THE BACK UP SYSTEM OF COMMUNICATION FOR THE REGION 1 TOWNS IN AN EMERGENCY. HE HAS BEEN ACTIVE RECRUITING, TRAINING, AND KEEPING ACTIVE THE EMERGENCY PLANNING IN REGION 1.

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TO QUOTE BRUCE ANDERSON OF REGION 1, "TERRY HAS GONE ABOVE AND BEYOND ANYONE IN KEEPING THE REGION READY TO HELP SHOULD AN EMERGENCY NEED ARISE." TERRY HAS BEEN AT REGION 1 HEADQUARTERS DURING MANY NORTHEASTER SNOWSTORMS OFTEN TRAVELING TO THE TEWKSBURY HEADQUARTERS IN A BLIZZARD.

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TERRY IS VIEWED VERY HIGHLY BY MASSACHUSETTS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (MEMA) REGION 1 DIRECTOR KEVIN TULLY. MOST RECENTLY, TERRY PERFORMED "DOUBLE-DUTY" BY PROVIDING COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT FOR THE REGION 1 TEWKSBURY MEMA HEADQUARTERS AND PROVIDING WEATHER INFORMATION FOR THE NWS TAUNTON DURING THE MAY FLOODS OF 2006, A MAJOR WEATHER EVENT AND DISASTER FOR PORTIONS OF THE NASHOBA VALLEY REGION, THE WORST FLOODING IN 70 YEARS.

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TERRY UTILIZED OVER A DOZEN AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS OVER A 5 DAY PERIOD PROVIDING COMMUNICATIONS FROM MANNING THE PHONES TO AMATEUR RADIO TO OTHER FORMS OF COMMUNICATIONS THAT MEMA UTILIZES DURING A DISASTER RELATED INCIDENT. THESE OPERATORS WERE STATIONED AT MEMA REGION 1 HEADQUARTERS AND DID 24/7 SHIFTS OVER MUCH OF THAT 5-DAY PERIOD.

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TERRY'S ENTHUSIASM FOR HAM RADIO AND COMMUNITY SERVICE IS CONTAGIOUS. HE HAS HELPED INCREASE MEMBERSHIP IN PUBLIC SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS. HE HELPED ESTABLISH A HAM RADIO CLUB AT WESTFORD ACADEMY AND HELPED PROMOTE AWARENESS OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS IN THE CHELMSFORD AND WESTFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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AWARD TO TERRY STADER.