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### Leesburg Parks & Recreation Department Wins Four Awards At Virginia Recreation & Park Society Conference

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**Leesburg, VA (October 1, 2012)** – At the 58th annual conference of the Virginia Recreation and Park Society (VRPS) last month, the Town of Leesburg’s Parks & Recreation Department took home top honors in four award categories. Leesburg won the following awards, among communities with populations of 25,001 to 50,000:

- Best New Event for the Leesburg Airshow
- Best Traditional Marketing Piece for the Leesburg Airshow poster
- Best Non-Traditional Marketing Piece for the Ida Lee and A.V. Symington Aquatic Center car magnets
- Best New Building for the maintenance shop at Ida Lee Park



Ida Lee Staff Member Andrew Kim holds the award for Best Traditional Marketing Piece

The VRPS’ annual awards are a prestigious statewide program that honors individuals, agencies and organizations throughout Virginia who have demonstrated excellence in any of several areas during the previous year. In 2012, over 110 applications were received vying for awards in seventeen categories, including Best New Program, Best New Special Event, Best New Facility and promotional awards for basic, specialty, flyers and electronic media. The nominations were evaluated by a panel of parks and recreational professionals.

“It’s always an honor to be recognized by your peers on a statewide basis,” said Richard Williams, Leesburg’s Director of Parks & Recreation. “This type of accomplishment is made possible through the hard work of our team of dedicated parks and recreation professionals along with the support of the Mayor, Town Council and the entire Leesburg community.”

“The excellence of the award winning projects was evident and we offer our congratulations to each winner for their outstanding contributions to the profession and their community,” said VRPS President Cindy S. Roeder. “Entries in every population category, from around the state, allow us to recognize the best in our business while raising the standards and quality of programs, facilities and events in every region.”

*About the Virginia Recreation and Park Society:* The mission of the Virginia Recreation and Park Society is to unite all professionals, students, and interested lay persons engaged in the field of recreation, parks, and other leisure services in the Commonwealth of Virginia. For more information on the Society, contact the state office at (804) 730-9447 or visit [www.vrps.com](http://www.vrps.com).

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