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Press Release

For Immediate Release

Tuesday, July 31, 2007
Contact: Sgt. Todd Dykstra
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On Tuesday, August 7, 2007, residents of Des Moines are being invited to join millions of citizens and law enforcement agencies across the nation in supporting a unique crime and drug prevention event called "National Night Out". This is the eighteenth year that Des Moines has participated in this nationwide event.

National Night Out is designed to heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; generate support for and participation in local anticrime programs; strengthen community spirit and police neighborhood cooperation; and most importantly, to send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are fighting back against crime.

Nationally, the National Association of Town Watch (www.natw.org) sponsors this event. In Des Moines, the Des Moines Police Department as well as the various Neighborhood Associations and local businesses sponsor and support the activities.

Residents are asked to turn on their porch lights as well as get outside and enjoy their neighborhood. Several activities are planned throughout Des Moines. We will be celebrating the greatest resource of Des Moines - its neighborhoods. We hope you will join us at the neighborhood events.

Many neighborhood associations in Des Moines are hosting activities for their neighbors and members. A variety of special events including cookouts, games, block parties, and ice cream socials are scheduled.

The Des Moines Police Neighborhood Area Resource Coordinating Team explains that National Night Out is an extension of our community policing efforts. We encourage interaction and cooperation between citizens, police, neighborhood groups, drug treatment, and education and prevention programs. This collaboration is critical to effectively deal with problems related to drugs, gangs, and other quality of life issues for neighborhoods.

- **At the request of the Capitol Park, Martin Luther King Jr. Park and Capitol East Neighborhood Associations, Iowa Helicopter will provide a helicopter and pilot for display (NO PUBLIC RIDES) at Ashfield Park located at E. 19th / Hubbell Avenue on 07 August 2007 from 6:00PM – 8:00PM. The pilot will be Des Moines Police Department's very own Neighborhood Based Service Delivery Sergeant, Brent Harris. This display would not be possible if it were not for Iowa Helicopter's commitment to partner with local law enforcement in providing a unique and critical service to the community. It should also be noted that all of Iowa Helicopter deployments, when assisting local law enforcement, are donated. A special thanks to Iowa Helicopter for their continued support.**

Neighborhood Agenda

Accent Neighborhood: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Accent Neighborhood Pocket Park, E 29th and Easton, Ice Cream, Cookies and Soft Drinks Contact: Marian Wynn, 266-1410

Beaverdale Neighborhood Association: 6:30 – 8:30 PM, Snookie's Malt Shop, 1810 Beaver, Jugglers, Storytellers, And Face Painting. Chef's Kitchen at 1903 Beaver Will Be Hosting a Coloring Contest. Contact: Holly Olson, 288-55626 Ext 203 or 988-0800.

Capitol Park, Martin Luther King Jr. Park, And Capitol East Neighborhood Associations: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Ashfield Park, E 19th and Hubbell, Brats, Burgers, Hot Dogs, Chips, Ice Cream Sandwiches And Drinks Will be Served. A Free Throw Contest Will Be Held For Children 11- 16 Years Old. Contact: Nadine Hogate, 265-7919

Chautauqua Park, King-Irving, and Mondamin Presidential Neighborhoods: 6:00 PM, Casady School Administration Building, 1801 16th St., Food, Drinks, and Live Music Planned. Contact: Valerie Allen (Hill), 243-5736

Downtown and Historic East Village Neighborhoods: 6:00 – 9:00 PM, Brenton Skate Plaza, 602 Robert D Ray Drive. Live Music, Entertainment, Food, Refreshments and Fun. Contact: Ben Washburn, 720-9371

Drake Neighborhood Association: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Drake Park, 24th and Cottage Grove. The Wading Pool Will Be Open Late. Will Also Be Having An Old-Time Carnival Area To Include Three Legged Races, Sidewalk Decorating, Ring Toss, And A Cakewalk. Refreshments Will Also Be Provided. Contact: Trish Davis, 255-3416

Easter Lake Neighborhood Association: 5:30 PM Easter Shelter (Either Shelter #1 or #2). Neighborhood Potluck, Bring Table Service, Drinks, and A Dish to Share. Expect To Eat Around 6:30 PM. Contact: Jim Bollard, 237-8411

Ewing Woods – Evergreen Association: Ewing Woods - Evergreen Association Is Having An Event To Support National Night Out. We Will Meet With Our Neighbor's At Ewing Park South Shelter For An Ice Cream Social. Contact: Lisa Treptow, 246-0893, lisa.treptow@gmail.com

Fairgrounds Neighborhood: 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Fairgrounds Neighborhood Association, VFW Post, E 28th and Dean, Free Ice Cream, Cookies, Lemonade, and Door Prizes (Need Not Be Present To Win). A Sign Up Will Also Be Available For Youth To Participate For A New Area Boxing Club That Will Be Formed In The Fall. Contact: Dawn Jorgenson, 262-3549

Gray's Woods Neighborhood: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Neighborhood Pot Luck, Rain Or Shine, 1229 E 35th Street. Contact: Karen Shoopman, 266-1350

Indianola Hills and McKinley School/Columbus Park Neighborhood Associations: 6:30 PM, Columbus Park, SE 1st and Edison, Neighborhood Potluck. Contact: Betty Patrick, 243-6440

Lancaster Place Apartments: 2:00 – 4:00 PM, 2201 E Park Avenue, Ice Cream Social. Contact: Stacy Harp, 280-7542

Magnolia Park Neighbors: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, South Union School, 4201 South Union, West Parking Lot, Face Painting And Games For Kids, DSM Fire And Police Equipment On Display, Rides For Kids On The DMPD Golf Cart. Hot Dogs, Chips, Popcorn, Ice Cream, And Cookies Will Be Served. Goodie Bags With School Supplies For Kids. Contact: Terrie O'Donnell (W) 564-1331, (H) 287-5531

Meredith Neighborhood Association: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, 7th Annual National Night Out Family Picnic, Westchester Park, 50th and Twana, Live Music, Clowns, Dancing, Magic Show, FREE Picnic Style Foods, Kettle Corn, Snow Cones, Kids Activities And Lots Of Drawings!. Rain Location Is Hoover High School. Contact: Don Shaw, 278-2150

North of Grand Neighbors: 6:00 - 8:00 PM, Boesen The Florist Parking Lot, 38th and Ingersoll. Ice Cream Social with Music by the North of Grand Band, Family Games and Prizes. Contact: Kimberly Hansen, 279-2684

Oakridge Neighborhood: 5:30 – 7:30 PM, 1236 Oakridge Drive, Event Will Include BBQ, Music, Activities For Children, As Well As Information On Drug And Violence Prevention. Contact: Esther Morris, 244-7702

Oak Park Neighborhood: 6:30 PM, Neighborhood Picnic, McHenry Park, 9th and Oak Park. Contact: Alberta Finley, 669-6012

Oakview Terrace Apartments: 5:00 – 8:00 PM, 3211 30 (30th And Urbandale) In The Knoll Area Behind Bldg. E (Event Sponsored By Reach/Americorps, IowaCASA, Oakview Terrace Apartments, American Red Cross, Employee And Family Resources, ICADV, Polk County Victim And Advocacy Services, Hy-Vee Stores, And The Aids Project Of Central Iowa) Free Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Chips, and Drinks. Contact: Ora McQueen, 244-7424

RiverBend Neighborhood Association: 7:00 PM, Bates Park, 3rd and Clark, Watermelon Feed and Games for Kids. Contact: Mike Pingel, 246-8149

Sargent Park Apartments: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, 3604 E Douglas, Food, Games and Activities for Children. Contact: Melinda Lane, Manager, 265-8848

Sherman Hill Neighborhood Block Party, 5:00 – 9:00 PM, On The Lawn Of The Mickle Center, 1620 Pleasant St. BBQ, Potluck And Lawn Games For All Ages. Contact: Donna Hallstrom, (H) 697-0017, (W) 244-4221, Ext. 5366

South Park Neighborhood Association: 6:30 – 8:30 PM, Lovejoy School, 801 E Kenyon, Food, Cold Drinks, Popcorn, And Snacks. Will Also Have Games For Kids, Door Prizes For South Park Neighborhood Association Residents, Live Music From A 5 Piece Brass Band, Guest Speakers, And More. Contacts: Karon Booth, 237-1541 or Jan Goode, 953-3969.

Southridge Apartments: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, 1264 Cummins Road. Contact: Stacy Harp, 280-7542

Southwestern Hills Neighborhood Association: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, Wakonda Christian Church, 3938 Fleur Drive. Food, Music, and Door Prizes. Contact: Dennis Trollope, 287-7745

Timberland Crest Apartments: 6:00 – 8:00 PM, 3610 Twana Drive, Potluck. Contact: Kathy Sutton, 278-4570

Waterbury Neighborhood Association: 6:30 PM, West End Of Waterbury Garden, Polk And Ingersoll, Ice Cream, Treats, Cold Drinks, And Bedtime Stories Read By An Authentic "Waterbury Grandmother". Contact: Lori Adriane, 224-8812

Waveland Park Neighborhood Association 5:30 – 7:30 PM, West Parking Lot, Roosevelt High School, Free Hot Dog Dinner, Children Can Also Participate In A Special Mini Parade At 6:15 PM By Decorating A Bike Or Wagon. Contact: Estela Whitman, 277-3582 or iowhit@msn.com

Woodland Heights Neighborhood Association: 5:00 – 7:00 PM, Chamberlain Park, 22nd and Woodland. Neighborhood Cookout – Special Invitation for all available members of DMPD and DMFD to attend – always plenty of food! Contact: Doug McBride, 279-7633, dougmcbride2@mchsi.com or DMPD Sgt. Chan Wallace, 237-1359