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National Night Out in The Woodlands unites neighbors against crime

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (September 18, 2018) – Residents of The Woodlands Township are encouraged to join together against crime and drugs during National Night Out on Sunday, October 14, 2018, from 3 to 6 p.m. When neighborhoods participate in National Night Out, it accomplishes one of the first steps in crime prevention: “neighbor knowing neighbor.”

The National Night Out campaign offers many opportunities for neighborhood camaraderie, including a theme party contest, sidewalk chalk art competition, a food drive in partnership with Interfaith of The Woodlands, I.D. the Burglar Village Challenge and the National Night Out Military Drive.

Community Safety Expo

The Community Safety Expo is a day of food, fun and public safety demonstrations for the entire community. Residents can meet public safety personnel, see equipment, enter mobile command units of the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office and Homeland Security, watch law enforcement K-9 demonstrations and more at this free event. Children can enjoy face painting, a bounce house, crafts and hanging out with McGruff the Crime Dog. The Community Safety Expo will be held Saturday, October 6, 2018, from noon to 3 p.m. at Northshore Park, located at 2505 Lake Woodlands Drive.

National Night Out Parties

Hosting a National Night Out party is a great way to bring neighbors together. Residents are asked to lock their doors, go outside and gather with their neighbors on Sunday, October 14, 2018, from 3 to 6 p.m. Parties can be as simple as providing popsicles or as elaborate as a neighborhood barbecue. To register a National Night Out party, please complete the registration form at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. A National Night Out promotional video, party guide and FAQ list are available on the website.

National Night Out Packet Pick-Up Day

The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch will provide National Night Out party supplies during National Night Out Packet Pick-Up Day. Available supplies may include balloons, giveaways, yard signs, party ideas and more. Pick up supplies on Thursday, September 27, 2018, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at The Woodlands Township Town Hall, located at 2801 Technology Forest Blvd. Pre-registration is required.

Food Drive in partnership with Interfaith of The Woodlands

Nonperishable food items collected at National Night Out parties can be dropped off directly at Interfaith, 4242 Interfaith Way, October 15 to 19, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please mention



National Night Out when giving donations to Interfaith. Together, residents can make a difference to alleviate hunger in South Montgomery County.

I.D. the Burglar Village Challenge

The I.D. the Burglar Village Challenge is a fun contest designed to promote neighborhood cooperation, crime prevention awareness and to test a person's skill and accuracy in identifying a suspect. One party from each village will be drawn from the parties registered to participate in the challenge. A "burglar," along with a "good guy" will be escorted by a Montgomery County Sheriff's Office deputy to the party chosen from each village. The neighborhood must work together as a team to identify the burglar.

National Night Out Military Drive

Support the military by collecting items at National Night Out neighborhood parties. A full list of items needed is available in the party guide at www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. Items collected will be donated to Operation Military Embrace. Donated items will be collected at The Woodlands Township Town Hall, located at 2801 Technology Forest Blvd., October 15 to 19, 2018, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Since 1990, The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch has brought residents and the public safety agencies that serve The Woodlands Township together under positive circumstances. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make neighborhoods safer.

For more information about National Night Out, please contact The Woodlands Township Neighborhood Watch at 281-210-3800 or visit www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/nationalnightout. Please like and follow the Township Neighborhood Watch on Facebook at www.facebook.com/townshipneighborhoodwatch.



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