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National Night Out

Neighborhoods throughout Garden City are invited to join forces with thousands of communities around the nationwide for the 27th annual “National Night Out” crime and drug prevention event, on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Stevens Park.

National Night Out, which is sponsored nationally by Target and the National Association of Town Watch and co-sponsored locally by the Garden City Police Department, Garden City Fire Department and the Finney County Sheriff’s Department, brings people together to promote drug prevention awareness, generate support in community policing efforts, strengthen our community and let criminals know that we are committed to fighting crime in our neighborhoods. In all, over 36.7 million people are expected to participate in ‘America’s Night Out Against Crime’.

Events for children and entertainment as well as free food for everyone will be present. Speakers will include Garden City Commissioner John Doll, Chief James R. Hawkins and Sheriff Kevin Bascue. Residents in Garden City and across the nation are asked to lock their doors, turn on their outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and emergency service personnel in the form of a block party. Neighborhoods interested in hosting a block party and having emergency personnel attend are asked to call Master Patrol Officer Robert Scrivner at 276-1300.

National Night Out is designed to:

- 1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness.
- 2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts.
- 3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships.
- 4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

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