



WHITEWATER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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“Whitewater Police Department hosting annual National Night Out celebration August 5th, 2014 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm”

The Whitewater Police Department is hosting the annual National Night Out celebration on Tuesday, August 5th, 2014. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in local crime prevention programs, strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships, and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. Between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at Cravath Lake Park, located at 341 S. Fremont Street, residents are asked to spend the evening outside with their neighbors, police officers, fire fighters, and EMS personnel. The National Night Out event is a simple way for people to meet one another, have fun, and explore how they might work together to improve the safety and quality of their neighborhoods.

Entertainment will be provided to include the following and more: explore emergency vehicles from the City of Whitewater Police and Fire Departments, UW-Whitewater Police Services, the Walworth County Sheriff's Office, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and the Wisconsin State Patrol. A SWAT vehicle will be on display along with ambulances, fire trucks, military vehicles, etc. Learn about bike safety, home and vehicle safety, car seat checks, drug and alcohol knowledge/prevention, sexual assault awareness, internet safety, and healthy living. The new K9 unit will provide search demonstrations and the Whitewater Rescue Squad will provide AED/CPR demonstrations and free blood pressure checks. Search and rescue horses from WAMSTAR will be roaming the park and there will be appearances by Culver's Scoopie and McGruff the Crime Dog. Operation Click golf carts will be available for people to experience why they shouldn't operate a vehicle while impaired. Children will enjoy the hands-on experiences of being a crime scene investigator (CSI), a fire fighter spraying water into a water wall, and learning how to dial 9-1-1 with an emergency dispatcher. Free hotdogs, popcorn, ice pops, beverages, and a bounce house will be provided. Lastly, don't miss your chance to dunk Whitewater Police Captain Brian Uhl, Whitewater Police School Resource Officer Jacob Hintz, Whitewater High School Principal Doug Parker, and Whitewater High School Assistant Principal Joe Lynch. All proceeds from the dunk tank go towards helping fund the Whitewater Police Department's new K9 unit. Children visiting each of the displays or purchasing dunk tank tickets will have a chance to win one of four bikes generously donated by Wal-Mart.