National Night Out 2012
Saint Paul, MN

On the first Tuesday of each August, National Night Out is celebrated nationwide. The Saint Paul Police Department encourages you and your neighbors to use this day to declare to criminals that you will not tolerate criminal activity in YOUR neighborhood! Take a stand against crime and drugs by coming together with your neighbors, get to know each other for the sake of knowing who belongs in the neighborhood, recognizing who your neighbors are, and making a unified statement that you will watch out for each other and for your properties. Neighbor's who are united in watching for, and reporting suspicious activity, have safer neighborhoods to live and raise their families in.

National Night Out 2012 will be the 29th annual celebration. It will be held on **Tuesday, August 7, 2012**. Events can be held daytime, afternoon, or evening. Whatever works for you and your neighborhood, the event can be as simple or elaborate as you choose. These can include having root beer floats or lemonade, sharing a pot luck dinner, planning games or activities, maybe sidewalk chalk to draw pictures about what safety looks like on your block. Another simple way to celebrate National Night Out in your area is to promote turning on the outside lights at every home from dusk to dawn.

For more information on National Night Out *nationwide*, visit the web site of the National Association of Town Watch, www.natw.org To find out more about planning an event in your neighborhood, or if you would like idea's to start the planning of an event, call or email Pam McCreary at 651-266-5455 or, pam.mccreary@ci.stpaul.mn.us

AGREE THAT EVERYONE WILL TURN ON THEIR OUTSIDE LIGHTS!

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40 – or more! –
ideas for your event….

- ☺ root beer floats
- ☺ share lemonade
- ☺ sidewalk chalk art
- ☺ barbecue
- ☺ share desserts
- ☺ jump rope
- ☺ street dance
- ☺ welcome new residents
- ☺ share pot luck dinner
- ☺ face painting
- ☺ cookie exchange
- ☺ dunk tank
- ☺ play get to know your neighbor game
- ☺ discuss crime prevention
- ☺ collect food for local food shelf
- ☺ make a neighborhood banner
- ☺ exchange plants
- ☺ oldest resident award
- ☺ longest resident award
- ☺ duck pond
- ☺ piñata
- ☺ cake walk
- ☺ organize block map with information
- ☺ voter registration drive
- ☺ visit with police/fire
- ☺ play BINGO
- ☺ pet parade
- ☺ roller blade
- ☺ cookie exchange
- ☺ live music
- ☺ talent show
- ☺ ice cream social
- ☺ horseshoes
- ☺ bike/stroller/wagon parade
- ☺ exchange recipes
- ☺ progressive dinner
- ☺ Frisbee throw
- ☺ volleyball/badminton
- ☺ croquet
- ☺ invite a speaker
- ☺ tell block history stories
- ☺ youngest resident award
- ☺ basketball free throw contest
- ☺ kiddies walk (moon walk)
- ☺ scavenger hunt
- ☺ lawn mower beauty contest
- ☺ make poster/past NNO photos
- ☺ neighbor of the year award

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