

Save the Date: NATIONAL NIGHT OUT – AUGUST 4

The third annual Oshkosh National Night Out has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 4, 2009 at South Park 4:00pm-8:00pm. Oshkosh will join nearly 20,000 other communities around the country hosting the event on the same day. The goals of National Night Out are:

- to involve citizens in building a safer community by providing an opportunity to learn more about local fire and law enforcement;
- to increase crime prevention awareness, and to
- celebrate neighborhoods.
- The event is designed to be fun and to get people to come together in a safe, alcohol-free environment.

In 2008, nearly 600 people attended the event held at South Park. South Park will be the site of this year's event. The Park provides space for family activities, music, food, children's activities, 3-on-3 basketball tournament, children's fishing, a community resource fair, martial arts demonstrations, squad cars, fire trucks, armored vehicle, Community Blood Center blood donation bus, Jail and Bail and more.

The Oshkosh Police Department is asking Neighborhood Watch groups to help as volunteers and/or to sponsor an activity (child's activity or game). Neighborhood Watch groups can nominate "Neighborhood Volunteer of the Year". Nominees will be recognized at the event.

If you are willing to help at the event, please contact Community Programs Coordinator, Dorry Wilner at 236-5714 or Crime Prevention Officer Joe Nichols at 236-5742. If you'd like to nominate a "Neighborhood Volunteer of the Year", write a letter or send an email explaining how that person or group has made a difference in your neighborhood. Please limit your nomination to 250 words or less. Email or send your letter to the Oshkosh Police Department, 420 Jackson St. Oshkosh 54901 or to dwilner@ci.oshkosh.wi.us.

Join thousands of people around the country as we celebrate a National Night Out!

