



Fayette County Sheriff's Office

Wayne Hannah, Sheriff **September 21, 2012**

Press Information

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National Night Out 2012 October 2, 2012 6 PM to 8 PM

Fayette County Sheriff Wayne Hannah would like to cordially invite you to National Night Out 2012. This is the 29th Annual "National Night Out" (NNO). National Night Out is a crime/drug prevention event sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW). This year's event has been scheduled for **Tuesday, October 02, 2012**.

Last years National Night Out campaign involved citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, businesses, neighborhood organizations and local officials from over 15,000 communities from all 50 states, United States territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide. In all, over **37 million** participated in National Night Out 2011.

National Night Out is designed to: Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs; Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnership; and Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

Along with the traditional display of outdoor lights and front porch vigils, cities, towns, and neighborhoods 'celebrate' NNO with a variety of events and activities such as block parties, cookouts, visits from local police and sheriff's departments, parades, exhibits, flashlight walks, contest, and youth programs.

NNO has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer nation. Plus, the benefits our community will derive from NNO will most certainly extend well beyond one night.

The Fayette County Sheriff's Office will be participating in this year's event with the cooperation of **Target at Fayette Pavilion** (107 Pavilion Parkway Fayetteville, Georgia 30214). Numerous public safety agencies have committed their assets for this event to include; Fayette County Fire/EMS, Fayette County Animal Control, Fayette County 911, Fayette County Marshall's Office, Fayetteville Police Department, and Fayetteville Fire/EMS. The event is scheduled for **October 02, 2012 from 6 PM to 8 PM**.

This year's event will include fire department ladder trucks, helicopters, police vehicles, along with various other public safety equipment present for educational presentation and viewing. The Fayette County Sheriff's Office will also be participating in the Peachtree City National Night Out held at Drake Field between 7 PM and 9 PM.