

Hiawatha to celebrate National Night Out

(KNZA)--On Tuesday evening, Aug. 6, neighborhoods throughout Hiawatha are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "36th Annual National Night Out" crime and drug prevention event.

For the 25th year, the Hiawatha Police Department will sponsor the event. Agencies will set up displays in the Schuneman Addition at the Fisher Center on East Iowa Street from 6–8 p.m. Those include the Brown County Sheriff's Department, Squad 48, Town and Country EMS and Hiawatha Fire Department.

Hiawatha Police Chief John Defore said they will be serving corn dogs, chips, bottled water and soda pop. In addition, he said Sonic is donating toys to give away with the meals.

Defore says residents can swim free at the Hiawatha Aquatic Park from 6:30 to 8:30 that evening.

Also at the Fisher Center in conjunction with National Night Out, Hiawatha Community Hospital will sponsor a Bike Rodeo. The event is intended to help prevent bike related injuries in the targeted age group 4 to 14. While supplies last, free bike helmets and bike lights are being offered to children ages 4 to 14 who participate in the event. Riders are asked to bring their own bicycles. The event is being made possible by a grant from the Kansas Trauma Program.

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