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**PRESS RELEASE**

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## **Wylie National Night Out Celebration Scheduled October 7** Citizens Invited to Olde City Park Event

**Wylie, TX, September 11, 2008** – The Wylie Police Department invites the community to celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of National Night Out in Olde City Park, October 7, 6 pm – 8 pm, with public safety displays; free hot dogs, chips, ice cream and drinks; a bounce house; and music. The evening culminates with a “send-off” by Mayor Eric Hogue encouraging residents to return home, turn their porch lights on and meet their neighbors in a show of unity against criminal activity.

“We are excited to bring the community together to raise awareness of crime prevention in Wylie,” says Wylie Police Officer Angie Willis. “But National Night Out doesn’t end at 8 pm in Olde City Park. It’s the first step in building a strong community network of active, involved citizens, equipped to participate in anti-crime efforts throughout our City. We understand the value in strong partnerships with businesses, residents and organizations.”

“Our crime rate, one of the lowest in Collin County and the Metroplex, is a direct reflection of not only our very capable public safety officials, but our citizen’s commitment to our community,” says Wylie Mayor Eric Hogue. “I am excited and honored to have the opportunity to rally our community in the fight against crime and send off hundreds of vigilant citizens that will support Wylie’s public safety personnel and send a message to criminals letting them know that Wylie neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.”

The Wylie Police Department wants to hear about your National Night Out event or neighborhood activity. To register as a National Night Out participant, or schedule a visit from Wylie Police or Wylie Fire Rescue, please contact Officer Angie Willis, [angie.willis@wylietexas.gov](mailto:angie.willis@wylietexas.gov) or 972-429-3248.

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National Night Out is a program developed by The National Association of Town Watch, a nonprofit crime prevention organization which works in cooperation with thousands of crime watch groups and law enforcement agencies throughout the country. Since 1981, NATW has been dedicated to the development, growth and maintenance of organized crime and drug prevention programs nationwide. NATW's network has grown to include over 6,000 crime, drug and violence prevention organizations.

Since its introduction in 1984, National Night Out has continued to experience tremendous growth. National Night Out 2007 involved more than 35.4 million people in 11,310 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases worldwide.

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