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PRESS RELEASE

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Fort Bragg to join cities nationwide for
"America's Night Out Against Crime"

CIRCUMSTANCES:

On Tuesday, August 4th, neighborhoods throughout Fort Bragg are being invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the "**32nd Annual National Night Out**" (NNO) crime and drug prevention event. National Night Out, which is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) and co-sponsored locally by the Fort Bragg Police Department, will involve over 16,850 communities from all 50 states, U.S. territories, Canadian cities and military bases around the world. In all, over 38.5 million people are expected to participate in "America's Night Out Against Crime".

National Night Out is designed to: (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness; (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime efforts; (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships; and (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

On Tuesday, August 4th, residents in neighborhoods throughout Fort Bragg and across the nation, are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police. The Fort Bragg Police Department and Neighborhood Watch will be hosting this year's celebration of National Night Out at Bainbridge Park from 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m. Please join us for the celebration and enjoy a BBQ hot dog dinner with your Police Department and your neighbors!

National Project Coordinator Matt Peskin said, "This is a night for America to stand together to promote awareness, safety and neighborhood unity. National Night Out showcases the vital importance of police-community partnerships and citizen involvement in our fight to build a safer nation. On NNO, we invite neighborhoods nationwide to join us in *Giving Crime & Drugs A Going Away Party.*"

For additional information or if you would like to be involved in this event, contact Sergeant McLaughlin at the Fort Bragg Police Department, 961-2800, or e-mail fortbraggno@gmail.com.

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