### **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2013**

### INCLUDED IN THIS PACKET:

1 - Manager Planning Tool

use this as an idea generator and planning guide for your event

3 - Orange "Save the Date!" Flyers

post these in common areas to get your residents excited about the event!

### 1 - Recap Newsletter from last year's events

use this to get ideas and hear what other managers did last year

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### MANAGERS, START PLANNING YOUR EVENT FOR:

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 6TH ... 6:30-8:30PM**



## TAKE A LOOK AT THE RECAP NEWSLETTER FROM LAST YEAR TO GET IDEAS AND INSPIRATION FOR YOUR EVENT!

#### **HOW DO I START PLANNING?**

- Mark the date on your calendar and communicate with your residents by distributing the "save the date" flyer included with this packet.
- Use the emailed templates as guides to formulate a letter to your local police or fire departments. (follow up in a week if you haven't heard anything)
- 3. Use your budget guideline to figure out what type of event you would like to hold.

#### **BUDGET GUIDELINE**

Under 24 units \$100

Over 24 units \$4.00 per unit

 Once you have details confirmed send out the formal letter to your residents inviting them to join.

#### **EVENT PLANNING TIPS**

- ★ Figure out the details in advance and try to buy or rent any supplies early. You can generally find discounts or sales if you are planning in advance.
- ★ Get better attendance and participation by communicating with your residents early.
- ★ A week or two before the date, build the excitement with reminders or flyers.
- ★ Get the kids involved! When the kids are excited, others become more excited. As well as being educational, this event should be FUN!

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### PARTY PLANNING IDEAS!

#### **SIMPLE REFRESHMENTS**

- WATERMELON
- LEMONADE & COOKIES
- ICE CREAM CONES
- MAKE YOUR OWN SUNDAES
- PRETZELS & CHIPS
- FRUIT & CHEESE PLATES
- PIZZA
- COOKIES
- HAMBURGERS
- HOT DOGS
- SODA
- ICED TEA
- PUNCH

#### **CONTRIBUTE TO THE COMMUNITY**

- COLLECT CANS FOR LOCAL FOOD BANK
- BEAUTIFY A COMMON AREA
- PLAN A FALL CLEAN-UP OR BULB PLANTING
- DISCUSS YOUR LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
- DISCUSS OUTDOOR LIGHTING IN THE AREA

#### **ACTIVITY IDEAS**

- BARBEQUE
- SCAVENGER HUNT
- VISITS FROM POLICE AND FIRE
- TAKE LOTS OF PICTURES
- RESIDENT TALENT SHOW
- MUSIC
- SELF-DEFENSE DEMONSTRATION
- FUNNIEST HAT CONTEST
- WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS
- BOARD GAMES
- HULA HOOP / JUMP ROPE CONTEST
- SKITS
- MAKE A MURAL OR BANNER
- COLORING CONTEST
- YOUTH PARADE WITH A THEME
- FACEPAINTING
- BUBBLES
- WATER BALLOONS
- PIÑATA
- CLOWN
- BIKE SAFETY
- CHILD ID KITS
- BEACH BALL BONANZA
- NATIONAL NIGHT OUT STORIES
- PHOTOS FROM PAST EVENTS
- DESIGN A MIXER: "Find a person who..." - with prizes
- LONGEST RESIDENT AWARD
- NEWEST RESIDENT AWARD

### Save The Date!

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MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON...

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#### **National Night Out Recap Newsletter**

#### **EXCHANGE SPECIAL EDITION: National Night Out Recap**

Thank you to all of our communities that participated in this year's National Night Out! From ice cream socials to visits from the Mayor, you really came together and pulled off yet another AWESOME event. We have put together this special edition newsletter as a thank you to those sites that participated as well as inspiration to all sites for events next year. Enjoy!

















#### **STONE CREEK**

We had a huge turnout from the very start! Crowds of residents came in for pizza followed by root beer floats. The weather was hot, so many escaped to the pool afterwards just long enough for the fire trucks to arrive!



THANK YOU TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT PARTICIPATED!

ASHTON PLACE **BOULDER CREEK BRENT ARMS & COLE MANOR BRIARWOOD MANOR** CEDAR CREST CFDAR PARK **COLLEGE CORNER COURTYARDS AT RIDGECREST COURTYARDS AT CYPRESS GROVE** CREEKBRIDGE COURT **EMERALD POINTE ESCOSHIO MANOR & FAIRWAY FAWNBROOK FOUNTAIN PARK** FRENCH VILLA & MENLO MANOR FRISHMAN HOLLOW **GLENBROOK HAMILTON PARK HENNESS FLATS HOOD VILLAGE** THE HUNT CLUB **KENNEDY MEADOWS** KING PLAZA MARSH CREEK **MEADOWBROOK** MILLWOOD MANOR **OAK RIDGE ONTARIO MANOR ORCHARD VILLAGE** PARKBROOK MANOR **PRAIRIE VIEW** SEASONS AT ANDERSON SIERRA VALLEY SENIOR **PORTOLA SENIOR** THE SPRINGS STONE CREEK SURFWOOD MANOR **TRUCKEE PINES** THE VILLAGES **VISTA RIDGE** WASHINGTON COURT **WELLINGTON ESTATES** WOODLEAF VILLAGE

#### **BOULDER CREEK**

We had a great time that night with our residents. Here are some pictures of National Night Out 2012. We had the Oroville Police Department, the Oroville Fire Department, face painting, a dunk

tank and even Smokey the Bear made an appearance! We had hot dogs and hamburgers, potato salad, chips, cookies, drinks, and popsicles. It was nice to see some of our new residents come out to meet some of our veteran residents.



#### ESCOSHIO MANOR & FAIRWAY

Escoshio Manor and Fairway residents were invited to the Escoshio property for our National Night Out event.

We had a nice turn out in spite of the 105 degree weather! LG cooked hotdogs for our

residents and we provided school supplies for the children. Officer Winings from the

Police Department answered questions and had

informative literature to hand out to those interested. The Fire Department gave tours of their fire

truck which was a hit with children and adults. We had a great time visiting with our residents and really enjoyed getting better acquainted with the children.



#### **MARSH CREEK**

This year Marsh Creek had an ice cream social with a clown. The clown was here for 1 hour and a half, making balloon animals. The city officials and the police even got to take a balloon animal home. The clown was the center of attention. The residents didn't even want to play any of the games, they were just enjoying conversation with one

another while eating their ice cream and watching the clown make so many different balloons.





#### KING PLAZA

Chief of Police spoke to our residents and encouraged us not to be the slowest gazelle on the block, but to be pro-active in our safety and security by:

- 1. **Being aware of your surroundings** if it is suspicious to you, it is worth a call to the police. Bad guys will leave and know not to come back; good guys will be thankful the property is watched.
- 2. **Know your neighbors** He encouraged us to attend neighborhood association meetings, which will help us know our neighbors beyond King Plaza.
- 3. **Keep your porch lights on between dusk and dawn** this discourages bad guys and helps your neighbors and yourself with safety and security as well as the police, fire and ambulance, should they be called to the property.
- 4. **Keep driveways clear for emergency vehicles** do not park in the turn-around or anyplace that is not a designated parking space
- 5. **Do not leave anything in your vehicle** especially anything visible to entice breakins.

We all enjoyed watermelon and ice cream sundaes. I bought goodies for the residents: small candles with lids to remind them to keep their porch lights on and Smartie's because it's smart to know your neighbors and attend this event. I gave the kids bottles of bubbles. I gave flowers & M & M's to the newest residents.

Our total attendance was 21 people - eleven out of twenty-six apartments represented. Everyone stayed and chatted well beyond the two hours. This event was a success and all the residents in attendance were appreciative of the event and enjoyed themselves very much.





#### PARKBROOK MANOR

We had a pretty good turn out for National Night Out. About 30 people showed up for ice cream bars, a candy guessing contest and a visit from the firefighters of Station 62. People turned on their patio lights and sat and talked with their neighbors. We had information from the Beaverton Police Dept. about preventing crime in our community and some coloring pages and glow sticks for our younger residents

#### HAMILTON PARK

Hamilton Park's National Night Out event was a big success!! We changed our original plan from ice cream social to Pizza party. We had a great turn out--who doesn't love pizza !--we had a bean bag toss game, stickers for the kids --crime prevention literature, refrigerator

magnets, with emergency # for adults. A fire truck, and a "brand new" police car arrived--they gave tours, let the kids

sit in the car and even talk on the loud speaker, everyone was thrilled. Picture of our newest resident only 20 days old.





#### **SEASONS AT ANDERSON**

Party was a success! About 40 - 45 combined residents in attendance. Party Theme – Cameras Light Action. Combined block party with Regency Place Senior Apts – BBQ Potluck in the Community Center. Party was judged by city officials 1st place was won – 42in flat screen, donated to Regency Place because they need it.







### MENLO MANOR & FRENCH VILLA

We had a great time at Menlo Manor and French Villa. Ice cream and soda was enjoyed by all. Many neighbors met and got to know each other for the first time. Some retired to the pool and other stayed and chatted for a good part of the evening. Overall our little get together was a great success.

### SIERRA VALLEY & PORTOLA SENIOR

It went great at Sierra Valley and Portola Senior Apartments. We had about 15 to 20 tenants come. We had John Evans the Sheriff himself as well as the fire department come up and they did a good job. We had little giveaway bags for the tenants that had been here the longest and for our newest tenant. The event went until about 9:30 pm. We also had a "come meet your new friend that lives next to you". We talked about everyone looking out for each other and let someone know if you hear something. This was timely because last night we had a bear come through our apartment grounds. We also ask John Evans to send out and e-mail to all of his officers to let them know our cell in case of emergencies so if we are at Portola or coming home that they can get a call to us.

#### **SPRINGS**

We had a wonderful National Night Out with our residents! We had a crazy hat contest and gave away fun prizes, we organized a cake walk and gave away 20+ cakes, we had seven 6 foot Subway Sandwiches... they were almost all eaten by 8pm, we also had

an ice cream social and gave away ice cream bars, jars of candy, Scentsy candles, and a Velata Fondue set as a raffle... the kids AND adults loved it!! Our night was a success even though the Fire Dept. had to go on an emergency call and couldn't make it. We received a lot of nice calls and emails from residents thanking us for a fun night







#### THE VILLAGES

Here are the photos from our event, it was huge, we had about 160 people in attendance, we had swimming pools, slipping slides and had a great BBQ, we had A DJ playing music and we raffled off over thirty prizes, we had a line for the food almost the entire time! we held the event with

our owners as their resident services wanted to be apart of the big day!! We had a huge response and had tons of residents tell us this was the best event that has ever been done here for our residents! They are excited for next year and some residents even brought in thank you cards! it was a long day, we started the event at 4:30 and ended it at 7:30 we gave out cotton candy that was donated as families left and went home!

We are already talking about next years event!







#### **ORCHARD VILLAGE**

We hosted a Carnival for our residents. We had games, face painting and prizes for all the kids. The Winters Police Department and Winters Fire Department came out and talked to all the kids about

safety. We had a good turn out.







#### FRISHMAN HOLLOW & HENNESS FLATS

National night out 2012 was a total success we had plenty of games and prizes for everyone. We also had face painting. We did have the Truckee Fire department come out and give an educational class for the residents, and handed out safety packets for everyone. They did let the residents get in the actual fire truck and take pictures. We also had one member from the police department that was very kind to bring in bicycle helmets to give out. We had pizza, chips, cookies, and beverages for all residents. Finally we ended it with ice cream Sundays.



#### EMERALD POINTE

A pretty good turnout for our open house luncheon, as we celebrated, "National Day Out,". Three detectives from the City of Gresham Police Department, Special Enforcement Team, stopped by and shared pizza, pop, and cookies with

the staff and valued residents, while answering any questions and concerns about crime awareness to the particular challenges of our community and area. In

addition, Karen from the City of Gresham Recycling arrived, with her table of brochures and the trivia recycling quiz that all residents always have fun taking and of course, goodies were there for the taking, for all the children!





Tuesday and it was a terrific time. We had Frank from the local fire dept. come and talk with us about what residents should do in case of emergencies with fire and other resident health issues. We had a delicious lunch in and played Olympic trivia with prizes for winners as well as

We had our NNO on last

our longest and newest residents on site.



#### **GLENBROOK**

Oak Ridge, Cedar Park and Glenbrook all gathered at the Glenbrook property. Great Turn out, approx. 150 people. We had a blast!

We had Tycho Drumming, a Fire Truck, the police department, Snow cones, face painting, water games and a barbeque. Megan, Barbara's daughter did the face painting, My daughter Haley, Amber and Kayla did the snow cones and my husband Greg did the barbeque. We had a raffle with Fair tickets and backpacks full of goodies for prizes. We played a water toss game that was a hit and gave prizes to the winners.

#### WASHINGTON COURT

We had a GREAT TURNOUT!!!!!!! I would say the majority of the 34 families I have moved in, were at the event. All the families jumped in to help. Tom and Sheila Herman did all the BBQing, they did a great job. Kathryn and Beth Bowers helped organize and enlisted lots of their family and friends, and their church to help make this a great event for the kids. Kathryn's church donated the popcorn machine, BBQ grill and the snow cone machine, and ALL the supplies! I would guess the count including children was around 150 participants. We had a ring toss and bean bag toss for the kids, everyone went away with a prize. We had a raffle for many small prizes. We also had the Chico Walmart Vision Center here giving free eye exams and they gave out goodie bags. In addditon, we had face painting, Child Identity Kits and a coloring contest.

This was a great opportunity for the residents to meet and greet each other. I have received a lot of positive feedback about the event and the community unity we all experienced. This was a wonderful event and everyone says they CAN'T wait for next year. Thank you for the budget and support to make this event happen.







