# **Gier Neighborhood Watch & Organization**

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## Welcome back Neighbors!

I cannot believe that the Gier Neighborhood Watch & Organization is celebrating its 5<sup>th</sup> year! We've come a long way, learned a few things and got the chance to meet wonderful people in our neighborhood. As you've heard numerous times, this watch started because of a few criminal incidents that happened to me and I just could not sit back and let it go. As a result, our group was formed and our neighbors starting watching out for each other. Since then, I have increased my awareness of our surroundings and have contacted the city officials on numerous occasions with concerns that affect all of us in one way or another. My goal was to bring our community together to help make our neighborhood a friendly, secured, and clean place to live in. I hope that you can continue to support this mission to make the environment we share a safe place to live.

Sincerely, Dorothy Soliz GNO Coordinator/President



# What is National Night Out?

National Night out is America's "Night Out" against crime! It is designed to increase crime and drug prevention awareness and support; to strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. It is celebrated Nationwide and started with the traditional "lights on", but has expanded over the years to block parties, cookouts, parades, festivals, contests, rallies, and meetings.



## Did You Know?

The Gier Neighborhood Watch & Organization has a website. Please visit <u>www.gierneighborhood.yolasite.com</u> for helpful resources and information.

## In the Neighborhood

Please check our website for our October Block Party.

## **Back to School Safety Tips**

- 1. Plan a walking route to school or bus stop.
- 2. Walk the route with your child beforehand.
- 3. Teach your child to never talk to strangers.
- 4. Be sure your child walks to and from school with a sibling, friend, or neighbor.
- 5. Teach your child, whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school to obey all traffic signals.
- 6. When driving kids, deliver, and pick them up as close to the school as possible.
- 7. Be sure your child knows his/her phone number and address and how to call 911 emergencies.