

Hundreds attend Falls City Night Out event

(KLZA)-- The third annual Falls City Night Out event sponsored by the Falls City Police Department was once again a big success.

The Tuesday evening event featured representatives from about a dozen various agencies and provided food, fun and information for people of all ages.

Falls City Police Officer Zach Ractliffe who helps coordinate the program estimated the crowd at at least 500 people.

Displays were set up and information shared by groups such as the Falls City Police Department, Richardson County Sheriff's Department, Iowa Tribal Police, Sac & Fox Police Department, Nebraska State Patrol, Operation Life Saver, Falls City Volunteer and Falls City Rural Fire Departments, the State Fire Marshall's Office, Community Medical Center, Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad and others.

One of the highlights was the Nebraska State Patrol helicopter landing and a chance for the crowd to view the unit inside and out.

State Patrol Colonel John Bolduc rode along. The Colonel said it is important for the State Patrol to engage with the public and other agencies. He calls the bond between the community and law enforcement essential, calling public safety a partnership between law enforcement and the citizens. He said this type of event helps build trust.

This year the Night Out event was held at Stanton Lake Park which offered more room and shade for everyone. The evening wrapped up with two hours of free swimming at the Falls City Aquatic Center.

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