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Kearney Police – Cruise Nite 2021 Alcohol Enforcement and Parking

The Kearney Police Department, in conjunction with the Nebraska Office of Highway Safety, will have additional officers working on July 17, 2021 during the Cruise Nite weekend. Officers will be out in force, cracking down on Alcohol Violations to include Minor in Possession, Open Container, and Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs. The goal of this effort is to reduce alcohol and drugged driving and related accidents.

As always, the Kearney Police Department is requesting that you obey Nebraska Laws and City Ordinances related to the consumption and possession of alcohol and drugs. Designate a sober driver, call for ride, Be Safe, Be Smart. This enforcement effort was made possible thanks to a grant from the Nebraska Department of Roads - Office of Highway Safety.

“Our goal is to ensure the safety of everyone who intends to participate or attend this positive, family friendly, community event. We’re thankful for the great partnerships we have with NDOT Office of Highway Safety toward preventing an alcohol related tragedy and our partners at Buffalo County Community Partners and local businesses who have embraced the *Be Safe Be Smart* initiative, toward a safe and enjoyable Cruiser Nite for all”. – Chief Bryan D. Waugh

There will be parking restrictions downtown as a result of Cruise Nite events. Downtown parking is prohibited starting at 2 AM on July 17th in the following areas: Central Avenue from 25th Street to North Railroad Street, 24th Street from Avenue A to 1st Avenue, 23rd Street from Avenue A to 1st Avenue, and 21st Street from Avenue A to 1st Avenue to stage vehicles for display. The parking lot west of Cunningham’s Journal, the parking lot north of City Hall, and the parking lot north of MONA. Vehicles parked in these areas are subject to tow at the owner’s expense. All vehicles parked in these downtown areas after 2:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 17th will be towed to facilitate staging vehicles for the event. Your patience and cooperation are appreciated.

Check out our web site at www.cityofkearney.org.

We are sending this News Release as a service to the news media and citizens of Kearney.

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