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POTTSTOWN RESIDENTS INVITED TO NEW “PICNIC WITH POLICE” COMMUNITY EVENT ON SATURDAY, OCT. 22 AT CHESTNUT STREET PARK

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Oct. 14, 2016) — The NAACP Pottstown Chapter, Pottstown Police Department and the Montgomery County District Attorney's Office is joining together to host the first annual “Picnic With Police” communitywide event from noon-2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 22 at Chestnut Street Park.

Similar to the widely acclaimed “National Night Out,” which annually brings together police with the communities they serve, this new event seeks to bring together all members of the Pottstown community for a fun, family-oriented picnic to meet their local beat officers, including the new officers who have recently joined the force. There will be free grilled hot dogs, snacks and drinks as well as games, music and freebie giveaways.

“This is a family-oriented event to bring everyone together for casual conversations or to discuss community issues while having fun,” said Pottstown Police Chief F. Richard Drumheller.

“We are blessed in Pottstown to have such strong and vibrant organizations. And coming together to relate on an informal basis with our police officers is important on so many fronts,” said Jonathan Corson, Pottstown NAACP interim president. “It is always better to have strong lines of communications in place before there ever might be a problem to face together.”

“Pottstown residents of all ages are encouraged to come out, enjoy some good food, spend time with their neighbors and meet the beat officers,” said Assistant District Attorney Briana Ringwood. “We’re looking forward to seeing everyone.”