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# HALLOWEEN AT THE PARK

Armatage Park

Friday, October 27 | 6:00-8:30pm

Wagon • Rides • Bonfire • DJ • S'mores & Popcorn • Bounce House

Sweet Dreams Food Truck!

## FREE PUMPKIN GIVEAWAY

Saturday, October 14 | 10:30am-12:30pm

Kelly O'Neil and her real estate team will give away pumpkins at Sunnyside Gardens (3723 West 44th Street) on Oct. 14. Find Kelly at the table with red balloons to receive your coupon, and learn more at [www.koneil.com](http://www.koneil.com).

## PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST

Drop off your carved pumpkins at Armatage Park on Thurs. 10/26, 2:00-9:00pm or Fri. 10/27, 2:00-4:00pm

Pumpkins will be on display throughout Friday night, and two prizes will be awarded: Kid's Choice and People's Choice! Take your pumpkin home after the judging!

## TRUNK-OR-TREAT

Get your group together to build a display! Space is limited, so register soon! Be creative, but please remember this is a family event, so nothing too gory. Find ideas at [www.armatage.org](http://www.armatage.org).

Set up begins at 5:00pm, and all displays must be ready by 6:00pm. An adult must stay with the vehicle throughout the event, and please plan to stay until 8:30pm.

\*\*Registration is FREE, plus candy and non-candy treats are provided, courtesy of ANA and the Park!\*\*

### TRUNK-OR-TREAT

### VEHICLE DISPLAY REGISTRATION

DUE 10/24

Group/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Concept/Idea: \_\_\_\_\_

Main Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Okay to Text? Yes No



## Armatage Tree Lighting & Charity Drive

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00 PM

ARMATAGE PARK

Charity: Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery

Join us in lighting trees to help brighten our ice rink this winter. We will have refreshments, music, and a sleigh for a fun photo op!

We will also be collecting donations of diapers and formula for the Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery ([www.crisisnursery.org](http://www.crisisnursery.org)) which can be brought down to the park during November or to the event that night.

Greater Minneapolis Crisis Nursery works to end child abuse and neglect and create strong, healthy families.



## Nov 7 is Election Day

Who are we voting for?

- Mayor
- City Council (we are in Ward 13)
- Board of Estimate and Taxation
- Park & Recreation Board At Large
- Park & Recreation Board (we are in District 6)

Go to [vote.minneapolismn.gov](http://vote.minneapolismn.gov) to

- Register to vote (or check to see if you are registered)
- See what you need for same-day voter registration
- Find your polling place
- Get a sample ballot
- Learn about absentee and early voting

### Early Voting Center

217 3rd Street South  
Minneapolis, MN 55415  
(Early voting available through Monday, Nov 6. Check online for center hours.)

- Learn about Ranked Choice Voting (RCV)

## HOW YOUR RANKED-CHOICE BALLOT IS COUNTED

All first choice votes are tallied. If a candidate gets more than half of the votes in a single seat race, that candidate is declared the winner. (No other choices are considered. So the second or third choices don't factor in when this happens.)

**If no candidate received more than the required threshold of first choice votes, the Ranked-Choice process kicks in.** The candidate who received the lowest number of votes is eliminated, along with any candidates who have no mathematical possibility of winning. Their votes are reallocated based on the second-choice votes on those ballots. If that process leaves one candidate with more than the required threshold of votes, that candidate is declared the winner.

If there's still no candidate with more than the required threshold of votes, the process is repeated until a winner is determined.

# Help Design A New Playground

**Saturday October 28th, 10am-noon**  
**Drop in anytime**  
**58th & Washburn**

The Washburn Tot Lot (as it is named) playground is slated for major improvements in 2018 and now is the time for us to chime in with ideas!

- Meet at the park near the playground to provide input
- Kids are encouraged to come and enjoy games and activities
- Enjoy coffee and light snacks

If you can't make it, you are always welcome to forward any thoughts or concerns to our coordinator (anacoordinator@armatage.org).



Collecting ideas from park users during the summer festival



## Meet the Board

**TARA STEPHENS BROWN**

*What makes being a part of the ANA meaningful to you?*  
 Being a board member gives me an excuse to start up a conversation

with strangers and my neighbors to hear what they are loving and what's missing in our neighborhood.

*What do you bring to the ANA?*  
 The most important skills that I bring are listening and asking questions. I've also been asked to share my experience from working in the sustainability and local government.

*Why did you join the ANA board?*  
 I joined in 2015 because I wanted a deeper connection to my community.

*Do you have a personal aspiration that is enhanced by board service?*  
 Serving my community.

*How much time each month do you commit to serving the Armatage neighborhood?*

# Car Show Winners

It was great having the car show back during the summer festival. Thanks for voting for your favorites.



Kid's Choice Award



People's Choice Award

This varies from month to month and depending on the events. I've spent as little as 2 hours to as much as 20 hours in a month when I led our organics workshop.

*What motivates you?*  
 Being able to bring my neighbors perspective, support initiatives that would better the neighborhood, and disseminate the information that I hear back to my neighbors.

*What accomplishments are you most proud of or hope to see happen?*  
 Since being on the board, we've tried new things. Some of those changes were a success: moving the weekend of the garage sales, trying a holiday lighting, and moving the day of the week for our Annual festival.



## 2017-18 MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULE

All regular meetings are at 6:30 pm in the Armatage Community Center and are open to the public. Residents (18-yrs and older) and business owners are eligible to vote on ANA business.

Any changes to time or location will be updated on our website and social media. Unless specified, events take place at Armatage Community Center or Park.

### OCTOBER 2017

Monthly Meeting & Safety Update • Tuesday 10/17 • 6:30pm  
 Halloween at the Park • Friday 10/27 • 6:00-8:30pm

### NOVEMBER 2017

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 11/21 • 6:30pm  
 Tree Lighting & Charity Drive • Friday 11/24 • 7:00pm

### DECEMBER 2017

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 12/19 • 6:30pm

### JANUARY 2018

Monthly Meeting & Safety Update • Tuesday 1/16 • 6:30pm  
 Fire on Ice • Friday 1/19

### FEBRUARY 2018

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 2/20 • 6:30pm

### MARCH 2018

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 3/20 • 6:30pm  
 Egg Hunt • Saturday 3/24

### APRIL 2018

Monthly Meeting & Safety Update • Tuesday 4/17 • 6:30pm

### MAY 2018

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 5/15 • 6:30pm

### JUNE 2018

Neighborhood-Wide Garage Sales • Saturday 6/2  
 Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 6/19 • 6:30pm

Movie Night TBD

### JULY 2018

Monthly Meeting & Safety Update • Tuesday 7/17 • 6:30pm

### AUGUST 2018

Summer Festival • Sunday 8/12 • 3:00-7:00pm

### SEPTEMBER 2018

Monthly Meeting • Tuesday 9/18 • 6:30pm

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 Halloween at the Park • Friday 10/26 • 6:00-8:30pm

### NOVEMBER 2018

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# Connecting with your neighbors

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*Sign up for ANA eNews on our website. Get a neighborhood update 2-3 times per month. Watch for this quarterly paper newsletter delivered to your door.*



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**To receive crime alerts via e-mail, visit:**  
[http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/crimealert/police\\_crimealert\\_signup](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/crimealert/police_crimealert_signup)

**Sign up for the 5th Precinct quarterly newsletter at:**  
[http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/precincts/police\\_about\\_5thprecinct](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/police/precincts/police_about_5thprecinct)

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