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# Save the Date!



Monday, August 10 6:00-8:30pm Armatage Park & Community Center

We need lots of volunteers to help make this event happen, If you are willing to donate a half hour or hour of your time, please let us know!

## **ANA SAFETY MEETING**

Tuesday, April 21 at 6:30pm, preceding our regular meeting.

# **ANNUAL MEETING**

Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30pm. There will be great tips and conversations with the focus of **Spring Fling!** Plus we will be voting new members to the board!

### **ANNUAL GARAGE SALES**

Saturday, May 23. Watch for registration information online!



Use for non-emergency city services and information.

Available weekdays from 7:00am-7:00pm and weekends 8:00am- 4:30pm. Or download the 311 app!

# Report:

- Graffiti
- Long grass
- A stray dog or animal complaints
- Broken parking meters or street lights
- Potholes
- Abandoned vehicles
- Water main breaks, or any other situation that needs the attention of City workers.

### Get information about:

- · Where to vote
- Licensing and permits
- Garbage pickup
- Mortgage foreclosure resources



Use when police, medical, or fire response needed.

Call to report a crime in progress or when you see suspicious activity (which may lead to a crime).

Tips when you call 911:

- Stay calm.
- Briefly state the problem.
- Give the location with as much detail as possible.
- Answer the operator's questions and stay on the line until the 911 operator ends the call.
   Help can be sent while you talk.

# Inform operator if:

- You wish to remain anonymous.
- You want to speak to the officer responds to your call.
- You need a translator.

Call 911 back if the situation changes (the problem improves, worsens or ends).



Our board elections will take place at our Annual Meeting on May 19. These elections are open to all. If you are interested in running, please contact our coordinator.



The City now accepts a lot more items for recycling!

Learn more (and download a handy flyer) online:

http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/solid-waste/recycling/solid-waste\_recycling

A new opt-in organics recycling program will be rolling out starting in

August. Learn more at:

http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/solid-waste/organics/index.htm

### **WINDOW LOCKS**

Most of us want to be able to leave a window open during these warmer days. To help prevent the window being opened wider, you can install a window lock that will prevent the



window from opening further. Most of the locks can be disabled for you to open the window further when you are home, and these only cost a few dollars each.

# **HOME SECURITY CHECK**

You can contact our Crime **Specialist** Prevention lennifer Waisanen, for a home security check. She will come to your home and do a personal walkthrough of your home and yard and show you ways to improve your home security.





# **Spring Home Safety**

With warm weather comes an increase in criminal activity. There are some simple ways to help protect yourself!

- Lock your doors, even if you are leaving only for a short time. It seems obvious, but many criminals are looking for an easy opportunity, like an unlock door on a car, garage or home. For your vulnerable sliding doors, you can add extra protection with a bar, track lock or slide bolt.
- Lock windows and install window locks (see side note).
- Close your garage door even when you are working in your yard. Our neighbors have had items taken from their garage while they were working outside, but not in sight of their garage.
- Keep valuables out of sight. Simply keeping items from view can help keep you and your items safe. This is especially true in a vehicle, but a purse on a counter, near an unlocked door, visible from the sidewalk, may not be there when you come back.
- Be sure to properly lock up your bike. It is free to register your bike with the City Lock both wheels to properly secure your ride!

- (online or through 311). This can help recover your bike if it is ever stolen.
- Make it look like someone is home. Leave on porch lights, have lights on timers, leave a light on in a room with the door cracked, have a radio playing, to give the impression someone is at home and deter crime.

The police also recommend conducting a home inventory, to record the serial numbers and other important details for your valuables. In the event you do experience a loss, this information can help recover your property. Home inventory worksheets can be downloaded from the City website.



# **Door to Door Solicitors**

Door-to-door salespeople and transient merchants will be required to wear a City-issued photo identification card.

To make things easier for schools and youth groups doing fundraising, the City will approve group identification cards at no cost.

The photo identification rule does not apply to canvassers, including people who advocate for religious, social, or political causes.



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# Dog Salon Sets the Bar for Excellence

# Dreadlocks for Dingoes, a

leader in quality dog and cat grooming, won another local award, while pushing the importance of local small businesses and community.

Since moving into South Minneapolis, Dreadlocks for Dingoes was given a warm welcome from the community's people, and pets. This support has given owner, Lisa Rojas, the ability to give back in more ways than just exceptional pet grooming.







# **Great Streets Facade Grants**

The ANA is proud to announce that two Armatage businesses were awarded Great Streets Facade Grants.

A welcoming, vibrant business district sends a powerful, positive message. In 2007, the Minneapolis City Council approved the Community Planning and Economic Development Department's (CPED) recommendation to cultivate and sustain Minneapolis' commercial districts through the Great Streets program.

**Bellwether Media**, at 54th and Penn, provides attractive, accessible and engaging quality-bound books for libraries and class-rooms. They used their grant to replace the old and drafty front windows.

Our newest Armatage business, **Red Wagon Pizza**, also at 54th and Penn, used their grant for their new front windows.

Neighborhood business districts are essential elements of any great city. Our neighborhood is no different. Neighborhood businesses provide important goods and services for residents, contribute to high quality urban living, and are critical to the health of the local economy.

We congratulate these business and look forward to their continued success in our neighborhood!

# **Park News**



**Big Hero 6** will be the featured movie the night of the festival on Monday, August 10!

Summer program registration opens Wednesday, March 25th!

We are always looking for coaches, so please contact us if interested in learning more. We now have a NEW Updated website (you might need to update your link):

www.minneapolisparks.org



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# Connecting with your neighbors

Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

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www.armatage.org
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Sign up online for our electronic communications. Also, join our Facebook group!

### **Crime Prevention Specialist**

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To receive crime alerts via e-mail, visit: 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

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# **Armatage Nextdoor**

Nextdoor is a private social network for you, your neighbors and your community. It's an easy way for you and your neighbors to talk online and make all of your lives better in the real world.

And it's free.