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# Samantha Bild

**Relationship to the Armatage Neighborhood:**  
Homeowner

**Please tell us a bit about yourself:**

I moved my family to Minnesota two and a half years ago from Tennessee and am thrilled that we decided to put down roots in Armatage. From schools to parks, you really can't go wrong. My husband and I have two kids, a four-year-old girl and a two-year-old boy. I grew up in rural Wisconsin in a very working-class family, and my mom was a first-generation immigrant from Trinidad. Despite growing up with little, my parents prioritized education, and today that has propelled me to be a marketing leader at Cargill. I strive to be a strong role model for my daughter and any girls in our community with big dreams.



**What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?**

If I'm not at the house, I'm probably at Settegren's talking to the guys about my next home project!

**Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?**

Armatage is home. I want to continue to invest in this neighborhood, send my kids to Armatage School, and help make Armatage the place to live in Minneapolis. I want to build a community where neighbors help neighbors, regardless of race, creed, or color.

**What special skills would you bring to the ANA?**

Marketing - I know how to leverage digital marketing tools for communication and to increase awareness of priority events and initiatives.

**If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?**

One thing I'd like to see is more community-led engagement programs. Whether that is connecting neighbors, creating programs for youth, or making sure Armatage voices are heard at the city and state level, we have channels to make sure that gets done. Also, I'd like to leverage digital tools like social media and Next Door to solicit feedback from and communicate with the community. I'm an activator and executor, and will serve my community with pride.

**Are you currently an ANA board member?**

No, I'd be a new board member!

# Sean D. Burke

## Relationship to the Armatage

**Neighborhood:** Renter

### Please tell us a bit about yourself:

I am the proud father of Celia, partner to Marie-Claire, and best friend of Cody the Chihuahua. Our family has lived in the Armatage neighborhood for the last year and we hope to be here for many years to come. I am a huge fan of music and work part-time at a live music venue in the Longfellow neighborhood.



### What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?

I love walking with the family by Minnehaha Creek and supporting our local businesses.

### Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?

I want to help our neighborhood navigate the uncertainty that lies ahead in terms of the relationship between the Minneapolis Police Department and the City of Minneapolis.

### What special skills would you bring to the ANA?

I am a student of criminal justice and community mental health. I currently work in an administrative role for a police department in a Minneapolis suburb. As part of my role with the City of San Francisco's Entertainment Commission, I participated in hundreds of public hearings and community outreach events.

### If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?

I would like our neighborhood to have open dialogue about what it wants the future of law enforcement to look like in the City of Minneapolis. My unique ability to mediate conversations between people with opposing views will help facilitate these conversations.

### Are you currently an ANA board member?

No, I'd be a new board member!

# Kasey Devine

**Relationship to the Armatage Neighborhood:** Homeowner

**Please tell us a bit about yourself:**

Hi! My name is Kasey Devine. My wife and I purchased our first home in Armatage and will be starting our family here. I work as a Sales Executive for Automatic Data Processing (ADP).

**What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?**

I love walking around the neighborhoods with my wife, Erin, and dog, Riley- it's great to experience the sense of community in real time.

**Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?**

I've served on various boards in the past and now that we have a permanent residence I want to get to know and serve my community in a meaningful way. I've especially seen so many people nowadays have an opinion on current affairs without ever lifting a finger to help and I don't want to do that.

**What special skills would you bring to the ANA?**

I am well organized, and have an extensive business, networking, and sales background. I am proficient in Spanish and am also studying French and German.

**If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?**

I would like to see even more community involvement within ANA by the end of my term, and not just at the events. I'd do that by being a vocal supporter and active board member.

**Are you currently an ANA board member?** No, I'd be a new board member!





# Adriana Dobrzycka

**Relationship to the Armatage Neighborhood:** Homeowner

**Please tell us a bit about yourself:**

I have lived in Armatage for over 5 years and I have served on the ANA board for the last 2. It's been an honor to be able to support our neighbors and work together to ensure we have a safe and inclusive community to call our home. I work in the nonprofit sector and am a proud immigrant from Italy.

**What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?**

Armatage Park has a very special place in my heart. We fell in love with it when we were looking for a home and could not see ourselves anywhere else but here. We enjoy this very special place every day and love seeing friends, neighbors walking their dogs and playing sports in the park.



**Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?**

Having served on ANA Board for the last 2 years, I have had the opportunity to learn from my Board colleagues, contribute ideas, work side by side to develop the Mini Grants Program to enhance our community, and support great ideas. I look forward to continuing my efforts to support Armatage neighbors, contribute ideas, help find solutions to challenges our neighborhood may face, and give back to the place and people that have enabled me and my family to make our home in this community.

**What special skills would you bring to the ANA?**

Having worked in the nonprofit sector for over 14 years, I bring to the ANA position an understanding of how to plan, implement, and evaluate projects on a shoe-string budget, as well as program management, event planning/management, community grantmaking, and community engagement.

**If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?**

At the end of my term, I would like to see more opportunities for community dialogue and engagement. to see the community dialogue and engagement. I would contribute to create this outcome by working to enhance the Mini Grants Program, ensuring that many voices and perspectives are represented among the projects being implemented in our community. I would also lend my ideas, time, and resources to add dialogue opportunities to the current lineup of events offered throughout the year.

**Are you currently an ANA board member?** Yes, I'm a current board member!

# Sharla McIntosh-Ziegler

**Relationship to the Armatage Neighborhood:**  
Homeowner

**Please tell us a bit about yourself:**

Hello! I'm originally from Madison, WI and moved to Minneapolis with my then boyfriend(now husband) in 2005 to attend grad school at the U. I've been working as a Speech Language Pathologist at a charter school in NE Minneapolis for the last 12 years. My husband and I moved to Armatage in 2010 and continue to love the neighborhood more and more every year! We have a daughter that attends Armatage School and a preschool age son.



**What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?**

My family loves to take walks all throughout the neighborhood. With this extended time at home, we have grown fond of admiring the neighborhood architecture and visiting the creek.

**Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?**

I want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board in order to increase my community involvement, obtain an understanding of neighborhood goals and to build relationships with my fellow neighbors.

**What special skills would you bring to the ANA?**

I'm a great communicator, I have awesome organizational skills, always willing to be a team-player and would consider myself a "go-getter".

**If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?**

Looking at the neighborhood as a whole, I would love to see a focus on increased safety measures. Having small children, I'm always on alert for their safety as they play and ride their bikes in the neighborhood. I would be able to contribute to this idea by proposing the following ideas: increased delineation of crosswalks, gathering safe spaces within the neighborhood, and signage.

**Are you currently an ANA board member?** No, I'd be a new board member!

# Kevin Ross

## Relationship to the Armatage

**Neighborhood:** Homeowner

## Please tell us a bit about yourself:

I am a Construction Project Manager at the University of Minnesota, and love what I do! I am also a ten year resident of Armatage and really enjoy the area.

## What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?

I absolutely love running in the neighborhood and surrounding parks.

## Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?

I would like to continue the great work that has been accomplished by the board and the committed members of this organization. I especially want to have a voice in shaping the future of our parks!

## What special skills would you bring to the ANA?

Project Management skills and commitment to our community.

## If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?

Improvements to Armatage Park that reflect the values, priorities, and stewardship of the Armatage community. Also, a greater sense of community amongst our residents.

## Are you currently an ANA board member? No, I'd be a new board member!



# Chris Sorenson

**Relationship to the Armatage Neighborhood:**  
Homeowner

**Please tell us a bit about yourself:**

I love outdoor activities and the access Armatage gives to the creek, lakes, and trails. As a child, I lived on our family farm in Baudette, MN near Lake of the Woods. When we left the farm, I attended Whittier Elementary in Minneapolis. I served three years in the Army and attended Macalester College, a liberal arts college in St. Paul. I am a bicycle commuter and work as a software engineer. I lived and worked for a eight period in Berlin and am fluent in German. Except for that and my time in the military, I am a life long Minnesotan.



**What is your favorite place or thing to do in Armatage?**

My favorite places and things to do are my backyard on a summers evening chatting over the fence with my neighbors, greeting people while bike riding, and along the creek.

**Why do you want to run for the Armatage Neighborhood Association Board?**

I am running for the board to defend liberal values and to affect positive change, and to question those in authority. I would advocate for policies to create jobs and increase incomes for residents regards of race. I would call out those who have repeatedly allowed the police union to thwart the discipline of officers who use excessive force in spite of the millions paid in settlements. I would like to see businesses and restaurants and business allowed to reopen to the fullest extent possible to allow their employees back to work and to allow especially younger people to get out, while encouraging them to establish special hours for those more at risk from the coronavirus.

**What special skills would you bring to the ANA?**

Data analysis skills and insight for living aboard.

**If you are elected to serve on the ANA Board what would you like to see different at the end of your term? And how would you contribute to that change?**

I would like to see a greener, bicycle friendlier Armatage, that is a safe place for residents and visitors alike.

**Are you currently an ANA board member?** No, I'd be a new board member!