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Springtime in

Armatage

Enjoy Spring with Your Neighbors!

Visit armatage.org to run for the Armatage Board or vote in the election May 13-16!

Armatage Park

Sat, May 13 • 9am-12pm

Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

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2023 MEETING & EVENT SCHEDULE

You're invited to neighborhood events and meetings! Most happen at Armatage Park or the Community Center (2500 West 57th St) unless noted below.

Sign up for a committee e-list or to volunteer at an event at armatage.org/get-involved/

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Check our calendar at armatage. **org/events/** for more info.

- Monthly Board Meeting 3rd Tues of the month • 6:30pm Armatage Community Center
- Community Engagement 1st Thurs of the month • 6pm • Book Club (5411 Penn)
- Green Team 2nd Thurs of the month • 7pm • location varies - see calendar at armatage.org

SPRING & SUMMER EVENTS

- Springtime in Armatage Sat 5/13 • 9am-12pm
- Armatage Board Election
 - Sign up for the Board and vote in-person at Springtime in Armatage • Sat 5/13 • 9am–12pm
 - Vote online Sat 5/13 through Tues 5/16 at 7:30pm • armatage.org
- **Armatage Annual Meeting** & Free Pizza Dinner • Tues 5/16 • 6:30pm
- **Pollinator Garden Planting** Day • Sat 5/20 (rain date: 5/21) • 9:30am-2pm • 5825 Washburn Ave S • Sign up at armatage.org
- Movie in the Park: The Mighty Ducks • Fri 6/9 • Dusk
- **Armatage Summer Jam** Sun 8/27 • 4-6pm



Armatage Affirmations

Recognize a neighbor for a communitywide shout out at armatage.org/ programs/affirmations/.

The ANA will be proud to share your affirmation through the eNews, website, and social media with the hashtag #armatageaffirmations. The snowy picture above was sent in by Eva to honor her neighbor, Dean Koopman!

Springtime in Armatage

SATURDAY, MAY 13 • 9AM-12PM

Celebrate the arrival of spring! Swing by the park (or in case of rain, the community center) for a great neighborhood event to...

- Enjoy free activities and treats from the ANA, Armatage Elementary PTA, and more!
- Register to serve on our Neighborhood Board and vote in the annual Board Election as part of the citywide neighborhood election day.
- Drop off garden tools you no longer need and pick up free items at the Garden Tool Swap.
- Bring your house plants and cuttings to exchange, share tips and tricks about propagation, and make new planty friends!
- Connect with Hennepin County Master Gardeners and the DNR to get all your gardening and wildlife questions answered.
- Get a free volunteer-led bike tune-up!

Annual Meeting & Board Election

ANNUAL MEETING: TUESDAY, MAY 16 • 6:30PM

Join your neighbors for free pizza and a great talk from the folks at House Novel (if Zillow and ancestry.com had a baby, it would be housenovel.com). Vote in the Board Election, hear what your neighborhood has been up to, and share a free meal with your neighbors at the Armatage Community Center. We can accomodate dietary restrictions so please email us at anacoordinator@armatage.org.

JOIN THE ANA BOARD

One of the best ways to support our small but mighty neighborhood organization is to serve on the ANA Board!

Please consider joining this fabulous group of volunteers who live all over Armatage and get together on the third Tuesday of the month to advocate on behalf of the neighborhood, meet with city and other government officials, and guide ANA programs and events.

Sign up: scan the QR code at right, visit **armatage.org** or find us at the Springtime in Armatage event on May 13. Members of underrepresented communities are especially encouraged to join.



VOTE IN THE BOARD ELECTION: MAY 13–16

Voting kicks off in-person on May 13 from 9am-12pm at Springtime in Armatage! You can also vote online from through Tuesday, May 16 at 7:30pm by scanning the QR Code above or heading to **armatage.org**.

If you need assistance voting, please call us at 612-466-0296 – we're happy to help.



New Pollinator Garden

A new Washburn Tot Lot Pollinator Garden is almost here!

Over the last year, the ANA Green Team has worked with Metro Blooms, the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, and Armatage neighbors to plan, design, and now bring this pollinator-friendly addition to the 5800 block of Washburn Ave to life at last.

FUNDING

Thanks to generous funding from the State's Lawns to Legumes Program and the People for Parks Fund, the new garden will be installed to provide a safe, beautiful barrier between the alley and play areas that benefits our local pollinators like the endangered rusty patched bumble bee.

COMMUNITY INPUT

Thank you to everyone who gave input on their favorite plants and design ideas last Sept at the Fall Fun event pictured below! The Green Team also held an Open House on April 13 with neighbors at the Tot Lot to share more about the new garden.

Based on the input we received, the garden design includes two separate planting beds with native grasses including Switchgrass and Prairie Dropseed, an edible serviceberry tree, and flowering natives like Bradbury's monarda, wild bergamot, and both orange and purple coneflower. The ANA is also hoping to include durable elements like benches and a paver path based on your feedback, too!

HELP PLANT OR WATER THE NEW GARDEN

Community Planting Day

Help plant and mulch the new garden on Sat, May 20 (rain date: May 21). Scan the QR code above to sign up for a short time slot between 9:30am and 2pm. Refreshments will be provided.

Watering/Weeding Help

To help get the new garden established and keep our plants healthy, we also need volunteers to adopt two weeks of watering and weeding needs over the summer or early fall.

Sign up with a buddy so you can tag team by scanning the QR code above or at **armatage.org**. All the training and tools you need will be provided!







Sponsor Summer Jam

Showcase your company's name to thousands of community members by sponsoring Armatage Summer Jam! This fun event brings our community together for a fabulous food truck festival, live music from Heavy for the Hawk, face painting, activities, lawn games, and more!

We offer a wide range of sponsorship options at various investment levels to make this event a success. You can even select which element of the event you would prefer to sponsor!

The ANA recognizes sponsors through our neighborhood marketing that includes the Armatage print newsletter (reach: 5,000 residents), eNews (reach: 1,000 residents), at armatage.org, on social media, and through lawn signs at the event for maximum visibility.

Learn more and sign up to sponsor Summer Jam at http://bit.ly/23summerjam.



Welcome Bags

Attention new neighbors! If you recently moved into the neighborhood, we want to bring you a Welcome Bag!

The tote bag's contents include useful information on the Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA), governmental services, local businesses, and a couple of fun items to welcome you!

In 2022, the ANA delivered 102 Welcome Bags and we need your help to raise that number this year!

HOMEOWNERS

Be on the lookout for friendly ANA volunteers with a Welcome Bag on your doorstep! We get public home sales data so if you bought a home, you are automatically on our list.

RENTERS

If you are a renter who moved in over the last two years or if you own or manage a rental property in the neighborhood and have new(ish) tenants, please fill out the Welcome Bag request form at **armatage. org/welcomebag**.

Block leaders: you can fill out the request form for the new renters on your block, too!

Connecting with your neighbors

Armatage Neighborhood Association (ANA)

www.armatage.org 612-466-0296 anacoordinator@armatage.org Coordinator: Lauren Anderson

ANA eNews: sign up for neighborhood updates sent 3x/month at armatage.org.

Watch for this newsletter delivered to your door 3x/year.









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