5th Ward News

HARRISON, JORDAN, NEAR NORTH, SUMNER-GLENWOOD, NORTH LOOP, WILLARD-HAY

From Council Member Don Samuels

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5TH WARD NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS

Harrison Neighborhood Association (HNA)
503 Irving Avenue North
Suite 100
Minneapolis, MN 55405
612.374.4849

Heritage Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA)
612.664.8195

Jordan Area Community Council (JACC)
2009 James Ave North
Minneapolis, MN 55411
612.353.5601

North Loop Neighborhood Association
P.O. Box 582178
Minneapolis, MN 55458-2178
612.339.3904

Northside Residents Redevelopment Council (NRRC)
1500 Golden Valley Road
Minneapolis, MN 55411
612.335.5924

Old Highland Organization
www.oldhighland.org
info@oldhighland.org

Willard-Homewood Organization-
www.willard-homewood.org
info@willard-homewood.org

The Office of Council Member Don Samuels publishes an electronic newsletter to keep you up to date on what is happening in the 5th Ward.

*If you would like to receive this newsletter please send an email to monique.cuff@ci.minneapolis.mn.us and put the words **NEWSLETTER** in the subject line.*

National Night Out is Tuesday August 4th- Register Now!

Last year Minneapolis was #1 ranked city in neighborhood participation for National Night Out. In 2008 the 5th Ward had over 40 NNO events , including several multi-block parties.

While much of the credit for the 20% decrease in Part 1 crimes over the last 2 years—including a 24% drop in violent crimes—goes to the police, the work of neighborhood block clubs in North Minneapolis have played a crucial role. Our community is safer because of the hard work of block clubs. National Night Out is a celebration of that hard work.

If you have not yet registered and you hope to close your street, you can do

so for free, if you apply by July 21. For more information go to www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno or call 311.

Please let our office know about your event. After you register, contact Monique at 612.673.2205 or monique.cuff@ci.minneapolis.mn.us.

REGISTER NOW!

SATURDAY JULY 25th 3PM-8PM

The fourth annual FLOW: Northside ArtsCrawl on Saturday, July 25th from 3PM to 8PM continues to grow as it adds new artists and activities in 2009. Businesses, art spaces, and organizations along W. Broadway will open their doors to the community

and feature Northside youth and adult artistic talent in visual and performing art.

Over 200 artists, dozens of art partners, and businesses will all be highlighted as FLOW solidifies its image as a high-quality community art event in North Minneapolis.

Visual and Performing Art can be found at participating organizations and businesses clusters along West Broadway.

FLOW is hosted by the

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FLOW Northside ArtsCrawl-July 25

2008 FLOW performers

PEACE Foundation, Northside Arts Collective, and the West Broadway Coalition.

For more information call 612.767.2141 or go to www.flownorthside.org.

Job Fair - July 21st

Summit Academy OIC (SAOIC), invites you to attend a Job Fair, July 21st from 1-4PM at 935 Olson Memorial Highway.

The fair will include representative from the construction trade, staffing agencies, health care, transportation, customer service and others as well as information about programs available at SAOIC.

SAOIC is a nonprofit educational and vocational training center that empowers adults and prepares youth residing in the most economically depressed neighborhoods in the Twin Cities to become educated, employed, contributing members of their community.

Focused on high-demand, high-growth industries, Summit's results-oriented programs effect long-term change. Graduates are skilled and motivated workers who can start taking care of their families, paying taxes and help to stabilize and revitalize their communities.

For information about the Job Fair and SAOIC, contact Lois Welman at 612.278.6579 or lwelman@saoic.org.

Be Wary of Home Alarm Systems Salespeople

The City of Minneapolis is warning residents to be wary of door-to door home alarm sales efforts in city neighborhoods. Offers that include free alarm equipment can easily cost homeowners thousands of dollars in the long run.

A home alarm system can be a good idea for some homeowners, but it's important to make sure you understand all the costs that could be involved. In some cases, there are hidden installation fees, monthly monitoring fees, as well as homeowners can be locked into a servicing contract for three to five years.

In addition, alarm users are required to pay for false alarms in Minneapolis. On the first false alarm call, residents are assessed a registration fee of $30. The second alarm in a year costs $100, and the charge goes up $100 for each one after that. False alarms are very costly to taxpayers because they tie up police and other emergency resources needed for actual crimes.

If an alarm salesperson comes to your home, the Department of Regulatory Services advises you to do the following:

- Make sure the business is licensed To find out whether a salesperson or company is licensed, please call (612)673-2562.
- Document your conversation - Take good notes on the offers. Get the salesperson's name, the company name and phone number.
- Ask about the company's policy Any contract should be in writing.
- Do not sign up right away or feel pressured to do so - Many sales pitches try to prompt you to act on the spot with one-time offers or other special deals.

For more information or questions you should ask before buying a home burglar alarm, visit www.ci.minnea~olis.mn.us/police/crime-prevention.

Call 311 Minneapolis