# 5th Ward News

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*From Council Member Don Samuels*

October 2008

## 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)**
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Minneapolis, MN 55411
612.886-3202

**North Loop Neighborhood Association**
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612.339.3904

**Northside Residents Redevelopment Council (NRRC)**
1313 Plymouth Ave. North
Minneapolis, MN 55411
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**Old Highland Organization**
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**Willard-Homewood Organization-**
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*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.*

## It's Fall Clean Up Time - Street Sweeping Begins in mid-October

The City will begin the big task of curb-to-curb sweeping and leaf collection on streets throughout Minneapolis in mid-October. During the five weeks of the comprehensive fall street sweep, crews will clean up about 1,100 miles of city streets.

To make sure the sweepers can do the best job possible, temporary "No Parking" signs will be posted at least 24 hours in advance to make sure streets are clear of vehicles when they're swept. Anyone who parks on the street will need to follow street sweep parking rules or their vehicles may be ticketed and towed.

In addition to the "No Parking" signs that will be posted the day before sweepers come through, the City will make about 3,500 automated phone calls each evening to let residents know their street will be swept the next day.

Watch the City's street sweep Web page at www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/streetsweep to find the exact dates of the sweep once they're determined.

Street sweeping is one way we work to protect our environment because it keeps leaves and debris from clogging our storm drains and polluting our lakes and rivers. It also helps keep our neighborhoods clean and livable.

Also please remember that **you should never** rake your leaves, grass clippings, or other debris into City streets – it's bad for our lakes and waterways, it can cause safety hazards, and is against the law. Anything that goes down a storm drain flows directly into our lakes and river, and decomposing plant material in the water encourages the growth of harmful aquatic plants and algae.

## Make Sure You're Pre-Registered to Vote Before Election Day

This is a big election year here in Minnesota. Make sure you're prepared to vote in November by pre-registering or applying for an absentee ballot.

City elections officials remind Minneapolis voters that Oct. 14, 2008 is the deadline to pre-register to vote on Election Day. By pre-registering, you help speed up the voting process on Election Day for yourself and others. Voters who don't pre-register will need to register on Election Day, which means bringing a state-required identification to the polls and allowing for a little extra time.

To pre-register, eligible voters can fill out voter registration applications at Minneapolis City Hall, Hennepin County offices, public libraries, park buildings and fire and police stations. Applications in English, large print English, Hmong, Russian, Somali, Spanish and Vietnamese are available online at www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections.

All individuals whose registration applications are received by election officials by 5 p.m. on Oct. 14 will be pre-registered for the Nov. 4 General Election. Newly registered voters will receive a postcard telling them where to vote.

Voters can vote by absentee ballot either in person at Minneapolis City Hall or by mail. Applications may be submitted at any time. Ballots are available 30 days before each election. Be sure to allow seven days to complete voting through the mail. Voters permanently unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability may apply year-round to automatically receive absentee balloting applications before each election. For an absentee ballot application and more details, visit www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/elections or call 311.

## Workshop Offers Helpful Information to Rental Property Owners

The City of Minneapolis is holding a workshop to help rental property owners get useful information and connections to resources on property management. The Minneapolis Police Department's Community Crime Prevention/SAFE and Minneapolis Housing Inspections work together to present the workshop, which can help new rental property owners, as well as long-time rental owners.

**The workshop will be held: Thursday, Oct. 23, 2008, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (Registration at 4:30 p.m.) St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church, 3450 Irving Ave. S., Minneapolis**

Interested property owners should **RSVP by Thursday, Oct. 16**. To print off a registration form, visit www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/safe/workshops.asp or call the message line at (612) 673-2812. There is a $20 registration fee, which covers the costs for all printed materials, a box meal and a DVD on Hennepin County Housing Court. After Oct. 16, the registration fee is $30.

Workshop topics will include:

- The ABCs of property management
- Working with Police
- Working with Inspections
- Tenant behavior issues
- The risk of lead poisoning
- Hennepin County Housing Court / mediation
- Networking opportunities

Sign-up today!

**Celebrate on the Northside!**

The PEACE Foundation is gathering people from across all divides at the 5th Annual PEACE Ball to celebrate the movement to end local violence!

Get your groove on with dance floor favorite, Soul Tight Committee. Enjoy complimentary appetizers and cash-bar cocktails. Bid on fabulous Northside goods and services at the first ever PEACE Ball Silent Auction. View or buy Northside art in a show curated by the Northside Arts Collective.

**Saturday, October 11th**
**7pm to midnight**

Lincoln School, 12th & Penn Ave N
North Minneapolis

For tickets and more information
call 612.521.4405
Or go to
http://www.citypeace.org/ball/

# THE COMMUNITY ROOM

CenterPoint Energy is providing energy assistance information to low and moderate income residents in Minneapolis. They will hold an Energy Assistance Outreach session on ***Tuesday, October 7th from 5-8 PM at Jordan New Life Church, 1922 25th Ave. N.***

Residents can learn about the various resources available to help them manage their energy bills this coming winter, obtain help in completing energy assistance applications and receive grant approvals, as well as work with a CenterPoint Energy employee to make payment plans.

Beginning October 1, 2008, applications for LIHEAP (Low Income Heating Energy Assistance Program) funds will be accepted by Community Action Agencies throughout Minnesota. Unfortunately, funds are limited and the program is offered on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information call Jean Krause at 612-321-4609 or at Jean.krause@centerpointenergy.com

## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Capri

## PEACE IS OUR WAY

***JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS***

**To Celebrate**
**Domestic Violence Awareness Month**
**Tuesday, October 21**
**Capri Theater**
**2027 West Broadway Avenue**

- 5:30 p.m. Food & Refreshments
- 6:30 p.m. -8 p.m. Program

Spoken word by the youth of the Positive Cool Program at Plymouth Christian Youth Center.

*"The Worth of a Woman"*
Created and performed by students of Broadway High School.

And many more youth performances
Door Prizes and more…

***For more information call Jeannette at 612.728.2093***

## HNA Pancake Fundrais-er at Milda's

**Bring the Whole Family! Everyone is Welcome!**

**Where:** Milda's Café, 1720 Glenwood Ave N.

**When:** 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, Sunday, October 5th, 2008

**What:** The Harrison Neighborhood Association is holding a Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser to support work in the Harrison neighborhood.

***This is a great way to support your community and get a great breakfast!***

**Details:**
**Adults: $5.00**
**10 years & under: $3.00**
**What you get!**
**Pancakes: All you can eat**
**Coffee: All you can drink**
**Sausage: 1 serving**
**Milk: 1 serving**

**What you can do!**

- **Help volunteer: Call 374-4849 if you want help at the Pancake Breakfast**
- **Show-up and Eat Pancakes**
- **Bring your family, neighbors, and friends!**

**Call the Harrison Neighborhood Association at 612-374-4849.**

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## Keep Your Family & Pets Safe During Fire Prevention Week

In recognition of National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 5-11, the Minneapolis Fire Department (MFD) and the Firefighters Hall and Museum will hold events to help folks have fun while learning how to keep their families and pets safe.

On Oct. 11, the museum will hold an all-day open house to help people learn about preventing home fires, which is the theme of National Fire Prevention Week this year. The free open house will provide fire safety tips and give kids of all ages the opportunity to slide down a fire pole, ride a fire truck and much more. During the open house, the "1st Annual Best (of the rest) In Show" event will take place outside the museum, giving pet owners a chance to show off their dogs and learn ways to keep their pets safe.

**MFD Open House and "1st Annual Best (of the rest) In Show" Dog Event**
***9 a.m. – 4 p.m. , Saturday, Oct. 11 , Firefighters Hall and Museum, 664 22nd Ave. N.E.***

Come for the free information, activities and snacks, and stay for the complimentary admission to the Fire Museum, which contains a 12,000 square-foot exhibit on Fire Department history. The Fire Museum is great fun for children, with lots of activities for the entire family to enjoy.

The dog show will run from 10 a.m. to noon, and it's a great opportunity for folks to show off their dogs and meet other pet owners. It's also a chance to receive information on pet safety from a variety of partners at the event.

For more information on the open house or to register your pet for the event, visit www.firehallmuseum.org or contact Casidy Anderson at (612) 919-7790. Pet registration forms are also available at Minneapolis fire stations, dog parks, and some local pet stores.