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# FNA Updates New Neighbor Welcome Program

For many (many!) years, FNA has delivered a packet of information to new residents as they move into Fulton neighborhood. This method served us well for a long time, but we recently started receiving feedback that it was an outdated way of connecting new neighbors to Fulton Neighborhood Association, so we have made a change.

Nearly everyone walks around with a smartphone in their hand, pocket or bag and has all sorts of electronic information available at their fingertips. They do not want a packet of paper information that maybe gets a glance once and then shoved in a drawer (or immediately recycled) never to be seen again. To roll with the times, FNA decided to move our welcome packet to an electronic-only version readily available on our website. The whole "New to Fulton?" section of the website is chock full of local history, info about FNA, important city contacts, etc. Anyone can easily access the information and we hope that longer-term residents may find it useful, too, as things can change and be updated so quickly.



Even though we have made the information more centralized and accessible now, we still wanted to be sure we were welcoming our new neighbors in a meaningful way. We brainstormed and researched a lot of options and decided to have coffee mugs with the FNA logo and website imprinted on them. Each new neighbor will receive a coffee mug, a small packet of coffee and a welcome

note leading them to the information now available on the website. Utilizing a network of block volunteers, we will make every effort to deliver these in person and provide a warm welcome by FNA. There are many blocks that do not have a designated volunteer (see p. 3) and we would love your help. If you would like the fun job of welcoming new neighbors with a gift, please contact us at [info@fultonneighborhood.org](mailto:info@fultonneighborhood.org) and we will put you to work!

Many thanks to Fulton resident and graphic artist, Erin Black, who donated many hours of her time reworking our logos and designing the welcome card. Erin is new to the neighborhood and wanted to get involved by sharing her talents with us. If you'd like to reach Erin, you can contact her at [erinblackdesign@gmail.com](mailto:erinblackdesign@gmail.com).

Think you'd like one of the new mugs for yourself? Come on down to the Fulton Fall Festival on Sept. 10 (see back page) and enter a chance to win one. Not feeling lucky? We'll also have them for sale for \$5 each.

**|| Nominate a "Friend of Fulton" this year. It's easy! ||**

|| Let us know the name of the person you are nominating, your name (as nominator), your phone number, nominee's home address and phone number and why you feel this individual should be recognized as a "Friend of Fulton." Send to [info@fultonneighborhood.org](mailto:info@fultonneighborhood.org). ||

|| Questions? Send an email to the address above or call the FNA line at || 612-922-3106. The deadline is Sept. 16, 2016. ||



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West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

## Environmental Corner



The FNA Environment Committee's Pollinator Protection Project has been very successful this year at the Saturday Fulton Farmers Markets. Over 700 pollinator supportive plants and 133 yard signs reading "Pesticide-Free Pollinator Habitat" have been handed out. Residents and people from the surrounding communities have also received information regarding pollinator-friendly lawn and garden practices. Funding for this project has been provided by Fulton Neighborhood Association and a grant from Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd.

The focus of the committee is now shifting to a Water Protection Project highlighting ways to protect our lakes, rivers and streams.

### Fulton Farmers Market

The Fulton Farmers Market runs Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at 4901 Chowen Ave. S. Every Saturday features a kid's story time from 9:30 to 10 a.m. and live music from 10 a.m. to Noon. Mark your calendar for these other fun activities:

- 9/10: Cooking demo with The Waters on 50th
- 9/17: Magic show 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., thanks to Uptown Plumbing, Heating and Cooling
- 9/24: Kids craft with Kamie Augustine
- 10/1: Kid's Creative Zone with Locus Architecture
- 10/8: Cooking Demo with Linden Hills Co-op

Check out our website at [neighborhoodrootsmn.org](http://neighborhoodrootsmn.org) and sign up for our newsletter to receive news about vendors and events at the market throughout the season.

### FNA Annual Meeting & Board Elections

7 p.m., Wed., Oct. 12, at Pershing Park

It's that time of year again when we gather to review the past year, recognize our treasured "Friends of Fulton" and elect half of the FNA Board. We also welcome Councilmember Linea Palmisano and local legislators to update us on their efforts over the past year. Join us at 7 p.m. on Wed., Oct. 12, at Pershing Park to reconnect with your Fulton friends and neighbors.

**Run for the FNA Board.** Five seats are open this year (two-year terms). Individuals who reside or own property in the Fulton neighborhood, or who are the sole designated representative of a business, religious institution, or school in the Fulton neighborhood, are eligible (must be 18 or over). Call us with questions about serving on the Board at 612-922-3106. We'd be happy to talk to you. To add your name to the pre-printed ballot, email [info@fultonneighborhood.org](mailto:info@fultonneighborhood.org). You may also write in your name at the Annual Meeting.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

# 2nd Annual Open Streets on 50th



Open Streets on 50th is scheduled for 1-5 p.m. Sun., Sept. 25, when 50th St will be closed between Wooddale Ave in Edina and Chownen Ave in Minneapolis. The street will be open to bikes and pedestrians to enjoy music, dance, games, crafts, yoga and other creative and active events. Civic, athletic, artistic, creative and neighborhood groups, as well as businesses will participate. Open Streets is dog-friendly, too! It's time for everyone to come together for a day of celebration and community building promoting local shops, health and wellness, connecting communities and active transportation.

Fulton Neighborhood Association will be hosting a booth featuring kid and family games like Plinko, Jenga and giant Connect Four. Foster Art Company will be on "hand" for a youth art project titled "Be KIND and Lend a Hand to Your Neighbors." Each child will complete a simple art project and receive a KIND Bar. We'll also be raffling off some of our new neighborhood mugs and recruiting Fulton Block Contacts; look for us near 50th St and Drew Ave. Check our website for up-to-date information as more activities are added.

Foster Art Company was founded on the belief that all children deserve a stable, safe and loving home. Their mission is to support the children in the foster care system by filling homes, offices, and public spaces with beautiful and meaningful artwork. They envision safe, healthy homes for all children and a world with a deeper awareness for foster children's challenges and needs.



## Fulton Block Contacts Needed

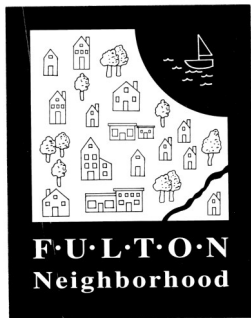
Fulton Neighborhood Association uses a system of designated Block Contacts to welcome new neighbors and occasionally pass on important information to their block. We have volunteers on many of the blocks in Fulton, but have several openings. If you'd like to be the Block Contact for your block, please contact us at 612-922-3106 or at [info@fultonneighborhood.org](mailto:info@fultonneighborhood.org) and we will gladly put you to work. Here are the blocks where there is a need:

Abbott 47xx	Abbott 50xx	Brookwood Terrace	Chowen 48xx	Chowen 52xx	Cromwell Court	Drew 47xx	Drew 49xx
Drew 51xx	Drew 52xx	Drew 53xx	Ewing 48xx	Forest Dale	France 47xx	France 48xx	France 49xx
France 51xx	France 52xx	Penn 48xx	Penn 49xx	Penn 50xx	Penn 51xx	Queen 48xx	Queen 50xx
Queen 51xx	Red Cedar	Russell 48xx	Russell 49xx	Russell 51xx	Sheridan 50xx	Upton 47xx	Upton 48xx
Vincent 47xx	Vincent 48xx	Vincent 49xx	Vincent 53xx	Washburn 51xx	Xerxes 50xx	Xerxes 51xx	Xerxes 52xx
Xerxes 53xx	York 48xx	York 53xx	Zenith 49xx	Zenith 51xx	Zenith 53xx		

## Fall Festival: Yoga in the Park

YogaFit studios will be teaching an all-levels Vinyasa class at the Fall Festival on Sept. 10. This fun and invigorating class consists of several yoga poses designed to work and stretch the entire body. We will introduce the Vinyasa "one breath one movement" flow and integrate postures that help strengthen your muscles, improve flexibility and help with balance. This class is accessible to beginners, with added challenges for more seasoned yogis. Meet by the tennis courts at Pershing Park at 11 a.m. No pre-registration is required; bring a mat or towel.





# Fulton Fall Festival Marketplace & Food Drive

Sat., Sept. 10

11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pershing Park (48th & Chowen)

## Musical Guests: The Jaztronauts and Chime

### There's something for everyone!

**Yoga in the Park (11 a.m. near the Pershing tennis courts led by YogaFit)**

**Bike Parade (decorate at 10:30 a.m.; parade with SWHS Marching Band at 10:45 a.m.)**

**Bike Rodeo (at 11 a.m. in the Pershing tennis courts led by Minneapolis Park Police)**

**Fun Food (grilled items, mini donuts, shaved ice and more)**

**For the Kids: Inflatables, Petting Zoo, Face Painting and Games**

**For the Adults: Silent Auction, Marketplace, Used Book Sale & much more**

**NEW! Register for a chance to win one of the new Fulton Neighborhood mugs**

**Community Information: Tiny Solar House, Minneapolis Toy Library, Hennepin**

**County Master Gardeners, MSP FairSkies, MPRB Master Plan and more**

### **FULTON's 8th ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE**

**Drop a bag of food at Pershing Park or at the Festival. Help Simply Jane & ArtAble create a sculpture at the festival using the donated food items. Every kid who brings a food or cash donation for Joyce Food Shelf will also receive a free canvas to paint from Simply Jane & ArtAble.**

You can also make monetary donations. Make checks payable to *Joyce Uptown Food Shelf*.

**Contact Ruth Olson at [info@fultonneighborhood.org](mailto:info@fultonneighborhood.org) or 612.922.3106**

to volunteer your time, donate an item to our Silent Auction,  
rent a table at our Marketplace, or donate to the Used Book Sale.

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