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Proposed Senior Housing at 50th & Beard

You are invited to attend an FNA Board meeting on Wednesday, December 14th at 7 p.m., at Pershing Park. The Board will discuss a proposed 4-story, 90-unit senior housing development located at W. 50th St. between Beard Ave. S. and Chowen Ave. S., the former Werness Brothers/Washburn McReavy site.

Please see our website for further information and updates:
<http://fultonneighborhood.org/get-involved/housing-zoning/>

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please feel free to email your comments to info@fultonneighborhood.org.



A rendering of the Waters on 50th Senior Living development

NRP Office to Close Dec. 31

This article is excerpted from the November 2011 NRP Link newsletter.

After more than 20 years of investing in the improvement of Minneapolis neighborhoods and the empowerment of City residents, Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization (NRP) will officially close on December 31.

The Joint Powers Agreement governing NRP, which expires at the end of 2011, provided a multijurisdictional governance structure for the fledgling program and was signed in 1991 by the City of Minneapolis, Hennepin County, the Minneapolis Public School district, the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board and the Minneapolis Library Board.

Since 2008, neighborhood residents and organizations have tried to find a way to keep NRP in place until all of the funds allocated by the program to neighborhoods were contracted. The Minneapolis City Council and Mayor R.T. Rybak did not support these

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Fulton Businesses

The Pig & Fiddle opened in late October next to the 50th Street Café in Pearson's former location.

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To get updates about the proposed The Waters on 50th Senior Living development, check Fulton's website at www.fultonneighborhood.org

West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

FNA Welcomes Brad Orschel to the Board of Directors

Elections were held in September for FNA Board members. Brad Orschel is newly elected to the board. Brad and his wife purchased their Fulton home in 2008. They were attracted to the area's good schools, parks, public transportation, and accessible business districts. And after moving in, their cats were thrilled to have neighbors to watch through the windows. Brad is an attorney who works downtown Minneapolis, and he also serves as an adjunct faculty member at a local law school. Brad was drawn to the Fulton Board because of his interest in becoming more involved in the neighborhood. He hopes to be a thoughtful participant on the Board and looks forward to working with, and meeting, those who work and live in the neighborhood.

Congratulations to all of the fabulous Fulton Volunteers who help make our neighborhood vibrant. This year's Friends of Fulton award winners were honored at the September Fulton Neighborhood Association meeting. Please see Fulton's website at www.fultonneighborhood.org to see photos of the honorees.

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efforts and decided that creating a new Neighborhood and Community Relations Department and a Neighborhood and Community Engagement Commission (NCEC) would better meet the goals of the city. The new department will be responsible for supporting all neighborhood engagement and NRP related activities after January 1, 2012.

NRP ends with a host of questions that are yet to be resolved. What will happen to the \$10 million that was allocated to neighborhoods as part of their Phase 11 funds but has been frozen by the City since December 13, 2010? Will neighborhoods and the program be able to meet the housing goal that was included in the NRP statute? Will neighborhoods have to develop new plans and meet new requirements to access the frozen funds and their other unexpended Phase II dollars? What can the neighborhood organizations expect from the City in 2012 and 2013? Will there be any resources for neighborhoods after the NRP funds have been expended?

These are questions that the FNA Board will be discussing with city leaders in the coming months.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

Fulton Awarded \$2500 Grant

Award Winners Honored for Saving Energy

The Fulton Neighborhood Association was awarded a \$2500 grant from the Center for Energy and Environment and the McKnight Foundation. Partnering neighborhood organizations and volunteers were awarded over \$45,000 in grants for their work with Community Energy Services.

Community Energy Services has been available in Fulton since Fall of 2009. The program gives homeowners the tools and resources needed to save energy and money in their homes. To get started, attend a free energy presentation where you can schedule a home energy visit. During the visit, CES will install materials, perform a blower door test and give you personalized recommendations. For more information or to register for an upcoming presentation, visit www.mnces.org or call 612-335-5869.

Volunteer members of the Fulton Housing Committee who helped make this program possible are Jeff Alden, Mary Colbert, Ahndi Fridell, and Mary Rolf.



Ahndi Fridell and Rhea Sullivan accept the award on behalf of FNA. Fulton had more than 12% of households participate in Community Energy Services.

Pershing Park Update

Transition at Pershing Park

After seven years at Linden Hills and Pershing, Recreation Supervisor Marc Holtey is transferring to Kenwood. The change is part of a re-organization which involved multiple park directors and CSA's (Community Service Areas). Marc says, "I have enjoyed the community, people and experiences in this area of the city. Thanks for the memories!"

Please welcome Pershing's new Director, Nikki Friederich, who will continue serving as the CSA Team Lead for Pershing and Linden Hills parks, as she has since October 2010.

Winter Park Program Registration Open Now! Begins Monday, December 5. Registration is available on-line at through "Active Net Program Registration" at www.minneapolisparcs.org, in person or over the phone at 370-4928.

SWAC Winter Sports (Hockey, Wrestling and Basketball) Registration

For hockey and wrestling availability, please check with Linden Hills Park (370-4913). For basketball availability, please check with Pershing Park (370-4928).

Pershing Park Field Improvement Project Update

The Pershing Park athletic fields renovation is underway. The prep work, grading, installation of irrigation and seeding is complete. A nice stand of grass has taken root. The fields should be ready for use for the summer of 2012. In the meantime, please allow time for the turf to establish and keep off the fields. In addition, a dedicated court for bocce ball is established in the southeast corner of the field area. The space will be utilized for the Pershing Park Special Olympics bocce team, as well as for public use.

A special thanks to the Hennepin County Youth Sports Program, Fulton Neighborhood Association (FNA), Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC) and Southwest Activities Council (SWAC) for providing the funding for this project.

Fulton Fall Festival Thanks

Many thanks to those who attended this year's fantastic Fulton Fall Festival and Farmers Market on September 10. For the first time, we combined the Festival with the Fulton Farmers Market for a unique community experience! Proceeds go to help fund the activities of the Fulton Neighborhood Association. We are so grateful for all of the volunteers, businesses and other community partners who worked together to make the Fulton Fall Festival 2011 such a success. We could not put on a festival without your gracious help.

The Fulton Festival was made possible by the generous donations of the following sponsors and contributors. **Please thank them by patronizing their establishments.**

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For more information about the Fulton Festival or how to get involved, e-mail us at community@fultonneighborhood.org or call 612-922-3106.



Thank you to all the neighbors who came out to support the first season of the Fulton Farmers Market! The overwhelming success was a direct result of our amazing customers and dedicated volunteers and the commitment of the Fulton Neighborhood Association.

We would like to thank our sponsors Broders, Edina Grill, France 44, Larry Lavercombe and Tod Teeple, and Brigg Backer. We averaged 23 vendors a week, ranging from organic produce to wood fired pizza; from artisan coffee to local maple syrup; from hand-crafted soaps to grass-fed meats. We look forward to many wonderful seasons to come. See you in the spring!

If you'd like to help make the market happen, please email: manager@fultonfarmersmarket.org.