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**SWHS Orchestra**  
*Fulton Small Grant Recipient*

On Oct. 5, the Southwest High School Orchestra took a tour of southwest Minneapolis elementary and middle schools to strengthen orchestra in the schools and give more visibility to the music program. Throughout the course of one long and exhausting day, the orchestra gave concerts at Kenny, Anthony, Barton and Lake Harriet Schools. With the exception of Lake Harriet Upper Campus, none of the other schools has an orchestra program and it was hoped that the visit would spark an interest in the administration and parent communities to support orchestra in the schools.



The goal of the tour was two-fold. The orchestral students learned a deeper appreciation of the music and how to engage a variety of audiences with multiple performances all in one day. At the same time, the goal for students in the audiences was to develop a sense of curiosity and excitement for learning a stringed instrument.

The Orchestra Conductor, Reid Wixson, created a YouTube video of the adventure and a link to this video can be found on our website, [fultonneighborhood.org](http://fultonneighborhood.org). Funding for this program was provided by the Fulton Small Grants Program.

**FNA Small Grants Program**

Fulton Neighborhood Association is proud to announce a fourth year of the Fulton Small Grants Program. The program is designed to support community engagement and neighborhood youth activities.

Applications are available on the FNA website and are due by Dec. 31 ([fultonneighborhood.org](http://fultonneighborhood.org)). We are looking for organizations or individuals based or operating in the Fulton Neighborhood that have programs or projects that align with our youth education and community engagement strategies. Examples would include a youth group exploring a new initiative, a neighborhood group supporting community building or a school group focusing on leadership opportunities. The possibilities are endless!

Grants are available between \$500-\$2,500 and partial funding of the requested amount is possible. Successful applicants will be able to demonstrate how the funding will have a positive impact on the Fulton community, and priority will be given to grants that stress partnerships and innovative approaches to youth education or community involvement.

Grants like these can make a real difference for community-focused organizations and initiatives. FNA believes this initiative will build a stronger and more interconnected community.



The Fulton  
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[www.fultonneighborhood.org](http://www.fultonneighborhood.org)

# Neighborhood Roots Winter Farmers Markets

NEIGHBORHOOD ROOTS

*Where community and food are cultivated*

The 2017 outdoor season of the Fulton Farmers Market has come to an end, but there are still opportunities to shop local throughout the winter.

We will be hosting three winter markets on the Saturdays of Jan. 27, Feb. 24, and March 24, 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m. All of the Neighborhood Roots Winter Markets will be held in the greenhouse of Bachman's on Lyndale (6010 Lyndale Ave. S).

Many of your favorite vendors from the Fulton Farmers Market will be in attendance. Farmers will have stored produce like squash, potatoes, beets, and onions along with jams, pickles, fermented vegetables, pasture-raised meats, farmstead cheeses, honey, maple syrup and much more. Come hungry and enjoy breakfast or lunch from bakeries and food vendors. Live music will accompany your shopping trip and beer and wine will be available for sale by the glass.

West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

## Expecting a Package?

'Tis the season for package thefts. When you consider all the online shopping we do now, sadly, it's not all that surprising that packages are being stolen. Doorstep delivery can be a crime of opportunity—it could be someone following a delivery truck or someone who happens to be in the area and sees a package delivered.

Here's what each of us can do to prevent thefts and assist the police in making arrests:

- Before you ship, choose the right service for your needs.
- Ship the package to a location where you know someone will be available to receive it. Consider selecting the "signature required" option. Send any FedEx package directly to a FedEx Office location near you or choose from several delivery options. You can have it held for pickup at one of the stations. Go to [fedex.com](http://fedex.com) to find the nearest location or call 1-800-GO-FEDEX.
- UPS also has a range of delivery options, security measures and stores where a package can be shipped. Go to [UPS.com](http://UPS.com) for options or call 1-800-PICK-UPS.
- The United States Postal Service has a number of ways to track and secure safe delivery for your packages. You have options on how you want the package delivered as well as tracking and insuring the package. Many of their tips are similar to UPS and FedEx.

As neighbors, if you see something suspicious such as a person picking up a package off your neighbor's front step or a car following a delivery van, please call 9-1-1 immediately. If you are a victim of this crime, please contact 3-1-1 or file a police report online.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

# Friends of Fulton 2017

## *Award Winners Honored at FNA Annual Meeting*

Congratulations and thank you to this year's Friends of Fulton award winners who were honored at the FNA Annual Meeting on Oct. 11. Many thanks to these wonderful volunteers whose efforts make Fulton a great place to live and to Hennepin County Commissioner Marion Greene and Councilmember Linea Palmisano for presenting the awards.



Craig Rittler



Mindy Barry and neighbors



June Thiemann

Please visit the FNA website ([fultonneighborhood.org](http://fultonneighborhood.org)) for more details on all of our recipients and their good work in the neighborhood.

## Southwest Fix It Fund Discontinued



In the spring of 2015, Fulton, Armatage, Kenny and Lynnhurst neighborhoods joined forces to bring the neighborhoods a co-op style low-interest home improvement loan program. The program turned out to be immensely popular and additional funds were added twice. The funds were used throughout all four participating neighborhoods and we saw many great projects like new windows and garages; remodeled kitchens and basements; and improved driveways, walkways and retaining walls.

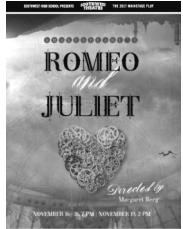
The funding for this loan program was from the neighborhoods' Neighborhood Revitalization Program allocations. The homeowners were able to borrow up to \$20,000 at a three percent interest rate with the neighborhood associations paying the \$595 closing fees. Unfortunately, in early 2017, our administrative partner went through a business review and reorganization and changed the terms of the program to include closing costs of \$2,600 on the same \$20,000 loan.

After much review, consideration and discussion, the neighborhoods agreed that the new terms were not acceptable and too large a portion of our funds would be going to administrative costs rather than going out to the neighborhoods in actual loans. The program was closed in June 2017.

At this time, there is only one other vendor available for these city-backed loans and they have now also changed their terms to be in line with the previous vendor. We are researching options, speaking with the City of Minneapolis and are trying to identify other avenues to bring this important program back to the neighborhood. We will announce any more information as it becomes available in this newsletter, our website and social media.

# Southwest Performing Arts Council

*Support the arts. Support the kids. Come see what's happening at Southwest High School.*



## Main Stage Fall Play

### *Romeo and Juliet*

7 p.m.: Nov. 16, 17 and 18

2 p.m.: Nov. 19

Revisit this romantic tragedy between the feuding Capulets and the Montagues in steampunk style. Retro-futuristic technologies and familial tensions tear at the heart of Romeo and Juliet's forbidden love.

# Pershing Park News and Programs



## Winter Sports Registration

Register your child today for basketball, wrestling and hockey. Registration is open to all ages, grades K-12, through Nov. 26 at [swac.info](http://swac.info).

## Winter Break Activities

Be sure to check out Pershing Park winter break activities for school-aged children. Field trips to Stages Theater, Sea Life at the Mall of America, bowling and the Riverview Theater! In-house activities include a Ping Pong tournament and Bingo. Visit our website at [minneapolisparcs.org](http://minneapolisparcs.org) or stop into the rec center.

## Bridge Club

Enhance your bridge skills, build new friendships and gather to enjoy a great game. No partners needed to attend; pairings formed as individuals arrive. Mondays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

# Fulton Fall Festival Thanks

**M**any thanks to all who attended this year's fantastic Fulton Fall Festival on Sept. 9. With your help, we were able to give 350 pounds of food to a very grateful Joyce Uptown Food Shelf plus \$10 in cash donations. We raised \$3,000 to help fund the activities of the Fulton Neighborhood Association. The Silent Auction raised \$3,500, which will go toward important neighborhood projects.

We are so grateful for all of the volunteers, businesses and other community partners who worked together to make the Fulton Fall Festival such a success. Many thanks to our wonderful corps of volunteer food servers, ticket sellers, silent auction monitors and all who gave a couple hours to make this festival a success. We could not put on a festival of this magnitude 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: Broders', Bruegger's Bagels, Caribou Coffee, Southwest Business Association, Bill Minge, Jerry's Food Stores and Boy Scout Troop 6.

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It was a proud day to showcase what Fulton and the community at large has to offer while having a ton of fun together on a beautiful fall day. We are already looking forward to Festival 2018!