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**Southwest FTC**

*Fulton Small Grant Recipient*

Southwest FTC is a new FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC) robotics club based at Southwest High School, targeting middle school students planning to attend Southwest. They aim to “fill the gap” for middle school students who are ready for the next challenge beyond Lego robotics. Students design, build, program, and document a robot while also participating in community and corporate outreach.

Fulton Neighborhood Association provided a Fulton Small Grant to purchase a regulation FTC competition field — this will be an invaluable resource to the teams for years to come.

This year five FTC teams are affiliated with Southwest, including two rookie teams. We have room for a few more students this year, and will be forming additional teams in May 2019. E-mail swftcteams@gmail.com for more information about Southwest FTC Robotics or to join a club.

**FNA Small Grants Program**

Fulton Neighborhood Association is proud to announce a fifth 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). 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.

**Minneapolis 2040 Comprehensive Plan**

Ward 13 Council Member Linea Palmisano recently completed a series of conversations at neighborhood meetings to discuss the second draft of the Minneapolis 2040 Comprehensive Plan. She challenged those in attendance at the neighborhood meetings who find issue with this draft, have comments, or support the draft to come to the last public hearing:

Wed., Nov. 14
4:30 p.m.
Council Chambers (Room 317) at City Hall
350 S. 5th St.

*The City Council will take a final vote at its meeting on Dec. 7.*
Service Learning Project: SWHS Football Team

Over the past few years, Fulton neighborhood has experienced several high-profile incidents involving students from Southwest High School. Under the leadership of a new principal, Dr. Michael Favor, the school has now begun to establish a culture of respect to their community and neighbors.

This new culture is on display with the advent of a Service Learning Project by the SWHS football team. The head football coach, Josh Zoucha, volunteered the team to fix the damage done to a neighbor’s fence by Southwest students from previous years. The team knows that students from prior years were responsible for the damage to the fence, but they are being part of the change and solution to a better relationship in the community. The neighbor was the unfortunate victim of careless student behavior at an MTC bus stop frequented by students.

Over the course of two weeks, the team removed broken fence pickets, painted the remaining fence and then painted and installed new pickets. While the kids worked, they also talked with each other, discussing how the fence was broken and why they were fixing it. Coach Zoucha and parent leaders talked with them about being role models and good neighbors, about righting wrongs and the importance of community service. The kids started to understand that they were making a small difference and that other students and neighbors were watching. Parent supervisors stood back and let the kids work and take ownership of the fence. The parents also taught the kids how to paint, saw, drill, screw, and measure – many kids had never had tools in their hands before.

The homeowner is grateful for the repair to his property, but, more importantly, for the commitment of the team to demonstrate to their peers what it means to be a good neighbor.

Watch a short video by student film maker Cal Thiesing on our website: fultonneighborhood.org
Friends of Fulton 2018
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. 10. Many thanks to these wonderful volunteers whose efforts make Fulton a great place to live and to State Senator Scott Dibble and State Representative Frank Hornstein for presenting the awards.

Please visit the FNA website (fultonneighborhood.org) for more details on all of our recipients and their good work in the neighborhood.
Fulton Fall Festival Thanks

Many thanks to all who attended this year’s fantastic Fulton Fall Festival on Sept. 10. With your help, we raised $2,000 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, Southwest Business Association, Bill Minge 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 2019!