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**2019 Fulton Small Grants Recipients**

Fulton Neighborhood Association is in its fifth year of providing funding for local programming through the Fulton Small Grants Program. The program is designed to support community engagement and neighborhood youth activities. We are proud to announce the recipients of the 2019 Fulton Small Grants:



**Lake Harriet Upper Campus  
 Award Amount: \$1,250**

Grant funds will be used to sponsor a presentation by Margaret Hagerman, nationally recognized author of *White Kids: Growing Up with Privilege in a Racially Divided America*. Hagerman has done extensive research in communities similar to Fulton and examines how affluent white children think about race. Her message is hoped to help Lake Harriet families and Fulton community members re-evaluate their choices and find ways to integrate their lives and support innovative ways to integrate the city. The community will be invited to attend the presentation scheduled for May 1.

**Southwest High School Environmental Systems Studies and the Parent Teacher Student Organization  
 Award Amount: \$600**

Dr. Angela Erdrich will work with the PTSO Beautification Committee and the Environmental Systems Studies (ESS) teacher to create two feeding stations on the school grounds for orioles and other songbirds. This project will teach the 124 ESS students about songbirds, loss of habitat and the concept that whatever we do to save birds will also save the planet. This grant will inspire a lifelong love of birds and make possible an important environmental stewardship opportunity affecting the entire school and neighborhood.

**Southwest High School Jazz Band  
 Award Amount: \$500**

Grant funds will be used support guest artists from the local jazz professional community to work with the jazz ensembles in both large and small settings. By utilizing local, professional musicians, jazz students will be able to develop a relationship with someone locally and receive valuable mentorship. Their increased skills will be on display at the spring jazz concert at the Lake Harriet Bandshell on May 29 and at the Fulton Fall Festival on Sept. 14.

**Southwest High School Men's Basketball Team  
 Award Amount: \$1,750**

Grant funds will be used to staff and execute a dedicated study hall program for student athletes either before or after daily practice and/or games. It has been determined that having a consistent time for dedicated study increases student academic performance. Participation in the program will be mandatory for players and they will receive tutoring, test preparation and time to complete homework. Students will also have access to their teachers in this after-school time period.



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West 47th Street

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## Meet the FNA Board: Katharine Brown, FNA Vice-President



Katharine is a University of St. Thomas graduate who studied marketing, advertising, business and philosophy. She purchased her first home in the Fulton Neighborhood in 2010. After falling in love with Fulton, she decided to get more involved in the community and joined the Fulton Neighborhood Association (FNA) in 2017. She loves gardening, entertaining, cooking, riding her Vespa around Fulton and the lakes, camping, skiing and interior design. She is a Realtor for Coldwell Banker Burnet at the Minneapolis Lakes Office and is also a Channel Manager for a telecommunications company who designs voice and data networks for businesses nationwide.

Katharine believes that individual neighborhoods working together are the foundation of a successful city. Each neighborhood has its own problems and its own uniqueness and if you want to improve the quality of life in a city, you have to understand each neighborhood and its needs. The basis of the 2040 Plan is that neighborhoods do not matter, and that all neighborhoods are the same, but she believes that protecting neighborhoods, the environment, and the constituents is critical to a healthy and prosperous city.

## Pershing Park Update

### Spring/Summer Sports Registration

Spring sports registration has begun and continues through March 31 for tennis, track and field, t-ball, pitching machine, baseball and softball. Please register online at [minneapolisparcs.org](http://minneapolisparcs.org).

Feel free to contact Pershing Park with questions or concerns at 612-370-4928.

### New Summer Park Programs

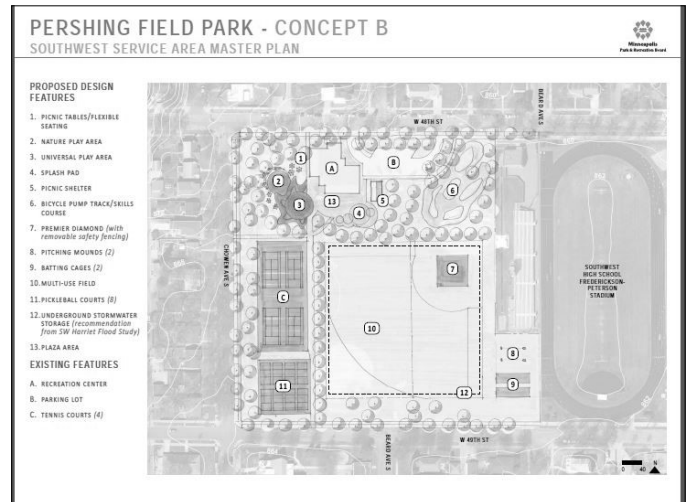


Summer programs in your local parks begin the week of June 10 and registration is now open. New programs such as Tech-Tac-toe – Extreme Movie Making and Minecraft/Lego Art will be available. Long-standing favorite classes include RevSports clinics, preschool gymnastics, preschool dance, senior trips and activities, yoga and much more. Please visit [minneapolisparcs.org](http://minneapolisparcs.org) for information and to register.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

# Input Being Sought on Proposed Long-Term Plans for Pershing Park and Minnehaha Creek



The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB), along with two separate Citizen Advisory Councils, have been working on Master Plans for all of the parks in southwest Minneapolis as well as the Minnehaha Regional Trail (Minnehaha Creek). The initial concepts outlining long-term plans for more than 40 neighborhood parks, as well as the creek, were debuted at a workshop on Jan. 31. MPRB is now asking for your review and comments on both projects.

Links to both projects, as well as surveys, are available on our website: [fultonneighborhood.org](http://fultonneighborhood.org). Feedback is being accepted through March 31 and then a Preferred Design Concept will be generated.

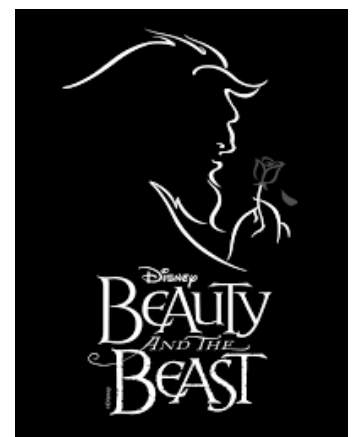
It is important to note that funding for these plans is not in place; they are visions for what could be in the future if and when funding becomes available.

## Southwest High School Spotlight Musical *Beauty and the Beast*

**7 p.m. March 14-16 and 21-23**  
**2 p.m. March 17 and 24**

The classic story tells of Belle, a young woman in a provincial town, and the Beast, who is really a young prince trapped under the spell of an enchantress. If the Beast can learn to love and be loved, the curse will end and he will be transformed into his former self. But time is running out. If the Beast does not learn his lesson soon, he and his household will be doomed for all eternity.

Tickets will be available at the door or online at [southwest-high-school-theatre.ticketleap.com](http://southwest-high-school-theatre.ticketleap.com).



# Who's in the 'Hood: Broders', the Local Italian Gem

By Carolina Li

*Who's in the 'Hood is a new feature highlighting the unique people and places of Fulton neighborhood.*



Few restaurants in Fulton are as iconic as the Broders' Pasta Bar. Located at 50th and Penn, this southwest Minneapolis institution is the gold standard for Italian food this side of the river. After over three decades, it has shaped the aesthetic of the busy neighborhood intersection. Its summer patio for al fresco dining is surrounded by plants, an herb garden, a pergola and several cherubic statues. The overall effect is a bit of Tuscany in this pocket of Fulton. How did it all start? We interviewed founder and owner, Molly Broder, to get the whole story.

The restaurant empire first began with a trip to Italy that inspired the family to produce fresh, authentic Italian pasta the old-fashioned way for locals to cook and serve at home. Back in 1982, Molly explained, Minneapolis was “a culinary wasteland” and products like imported olive oil and Kalamata olives were exotic and rare to find. “As a young couple, my husband Tom and I had a dream; we had a vision of working together and raising a family, to be parents and business partners and to open our own Italian restaurant. We wanted to be able to walk to work, raise our kids in a place where they could ride their bikes and walk to school.”

Fulton offered the perfect place for their dream. Its proximity to beautiful Lake Harriet and Minnehaha Creek, easy access to many amenities of a metropolitan city and a small, close-knit community

where you know your neighbors gave them a wonderful place to have a family and launch their restaurants. Several trips to Italy later, the family pooled its resources towards the purchase of the first location on 50th and Penn.

In 1982, Broders' Cucina Italiana, a classic east coast-style Italian deli, opened its doors to awaken our senses to the world of great food. Then, in 1994, with the opening of the innovative Broders' Pasta Bar, located across the street from the deli, the Broders began to educate us about the amazing possibilities of authentically made pasta the way it was meant to be: fresh, al dente, piping hot and perfectly sauced. The pasta is made the traditional Italian way and served the American way, as the main dish, unlike in Italy where it precedes another dish.

While Broders' Pasta Bar gets most of the critical acclaim, the Cucina is a hidden gem treasured by locals. And now her sons, Charlie and Thomas, are creating the culinary legacy of the next generation at Terzo, across the road in Lynnhurst. The three Broder boys grew up immersed in their parents' businesses and launched the vino bar in 2013. The eldest brother, Thomas, heads up the team as executive chef, while Charlie, a sophisticated sommelier, leads the front of house with his amazing gift for rapport with customers. And Danny, the youngest, pops in for special events, with his characteristically unmatched energy and high knowledge of food and technique. Both Thomas and Danny received their culinary education in Italy. Molly, to this day, continues to be the guiding force managing everything at Broders' with unerring inspiration and vision.

In addition to being forces in the local industry, they are always generous with their time and lives. The Broders have held benefits for other chefs, been mentors in their industry, and volunteered with Fulton Neighborhood Association. Almost 36 years ago, the Broders created a blueprint for a way of life in southwest Minneapolis that exists to this day, polishing up the gems of Italian cooking, building a restaurant empire, raising three kids and being active in the community. Fulton is grateful for the wonderful culinary legacy of the Broder family.