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Tom Broder Tree Planting

Saturday, May 15 - 10:30 a.m., Pershing Park

Please join Tom's family and your neighbors on **Sat., May 15**, at Pershing Park to celebrate the life of restaurateur, Fulton resident and involved neighborhood advocate Tom Broder, who passed away in 2008.

In memory of Tom, Fulton Neighborhood Association will plant a beautiful large oak at the park. Tom was a member of the FNA Board for a number of years and was a passionate and valued member of Fulton neighborhood and of the greater Minneapolis community. Come to Pershing Park to be a part of this memorial celebration.

Fabulous Fulton Plant Sale

June 4, 5, 6 - 5141 Ewing Ave. S.

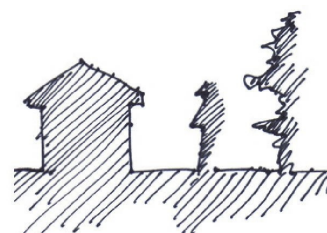
Fulton neighbors are busy preparing for the fifth annual Fabulous Fulton Plant Sale to raise funds to plant boulevard trees in our neighborhood. The sale will be held the weekend of the Edina Art Fair, June 4-6 and will be located at 5141 Ewing Ave. S. Hours are Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Sunday: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

We need your help to make the plant sale successful. To help, please divide and donate your extra perennials, donate time, drop by and make a contribution or buy some plants. Financial contributions are tax deductible. To donate plants or your time, contact Mary Nolte, Fulton Environment Committee Chair, at 612-922-1591.

Fulton Announces 4th Annual B.L.E.N.D. Awards

The B.L.E.N.D. Award Committee is issuing a call for submissions for the fourth annual B.L.E.N.D. Award, which recognizes builders, architects, designers, and property owners whose projects respect existing neighborhood design aesthetics. The B.L.E.N.D. Award is proudly sponsored by Fulton Neighborhood Association, Armatage Neighborhood Association, East Harriet Farmstead Neighborhood Association, Kenny Neighborhood Association and Linden Hills Neighborhood Council.

In 2009, six projects were selected for recognition. If your remodel, addition, or new home was completed within the last five years and you live in one of the participating neighborhoods, please consider submitting your project this year. The submission deadline is **Fri., July 30, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.**



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Haiti Children's Benefit

May 23, 2010
Noon to 2:00 p.m.
Rain or shine

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd on 48th and France is throwing a party and you are invited.

All funds received will go to support Haitian children and parents from the church in Port-au-Prince where a Mid-west seminarian was working when he was killed in the earthquake.

West 47th Street

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Eligible projects include new buildings, exterior remodels, renovations or additions to existing buildings, and landscape projects that have been completed since July 1, 2005. Projects must be located within the boundaries of the participating southwest neighborhoods. A jury of design professionals and neighborhood residents will select projects to be awarded. An award ceremony and media release is scheduled to correspond with the FNA Annual Meeting on Oct. 13, 2010, at Pershing Park, 3523 W. 48th St., Minneapolis, MN 55410.

B.L.E.N.D. stands for *Buildings and Landscapes Enhancing the Neighborhood through Design*. "The name and the award represent the residents' recognition of interest in their neighborhood and encouragement of progress while balancing a need for compatibility with existing residences," said Phil Rader, AIA, an architect on the Fulton Neighborhood Association's Zoning Committee and founding member of the B.L.E.N.D. Award Committee.

The B.L.E.N.D. Award was featured in the 2010 Minneapolis/St. Paul Home Tour (www.MSPhomeTour.com.) You can read the featured article at: http://msphometour.com/files/2010_Home_Tour_Pg14.pdf.

Details of participating neighborhoods, project categories, mailing instructions, eligibility, and submission guidelines can be found on the B.L.E.N.D. Award website, www.blendaward.org, or by contacting Phil Rader, prader@philrader.com.

An Ounce of Prevention Inoculate Your Elm Tree(s)

Rainbow Treecare is offering a group discount again this year to Fulton residents interested in preventing the spread of Dutch elm disease. Once infected, an elm tree generally cannot be saved, but a timely application of a fungicide every three years has proven to be an effective method of protecting elms from infestation.

Inoculation is far less costly than replacement, increased energy costs, diminished property values and the aesthetic shock of a stump where a stately old elm used to stand. The inoculation comes with a money-back guarantee.

Call 952-922-3810 to schedule a no-obligation inspection of your elm tree(s) with Rainbow Tree Care's arborist Scott Henke. **Remember to mention that you live in the Fulton neighborhood.**



Money to Help Keep Fulton Green

Matching grant(s) for Commercial Rainwater Management

Over the past ten years, the Fulton Environment Committee has help fund rainwater management projects for residents. Money was allocated to pay for professional consultations and implementation costs for rain barrels, gutter redirection, rain gardens, French drains and dry creek beds. This year the committee is reaching out to businesses in the neighborhood to offer matching grant(s) up to \$13,000 to make improvements in managing rainwater from roofs and parking lots.

The committee invites Fulton commercial property owners to submit written plans for consideration. Eligible project ideas include permeable parking lots, green roofs, gutter direction into rain gardens, or other run-off alternatives. All projects will be evaluated by a certified Rainwater Management Consultant for long-term viability of the project and the benefit to the neighborhood.

Submit written plans to: Environment Committee, Pershing Park, 3523 West 48th St., Minneapolis, MN 55410 by June 15, 2010. For more information, please contact Mary at 612-922-1591.

Make Way for New Trees

65 stumps removed; 50 new trees to be planted

The Fulton Environment Committee has partnered with the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board to remove over 65 boulevard tree stumps in the neighborhood this spring. Park Board funding is not available to keep up with the stump removal of trees dying due to disease or damage. With the onset of the Emerald Ash Borer, we know we are going to lose many more neighborhood trees. The Committee wanted to contribute to cleaning up the boulevards and getting new trees planted in advance of the significant removal of ash trees.

The Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board Forestry Division will be planting 50 new boulevard trees in Fulton this spring. While most of the new trees will be maples, the MPRB Forestry crew will also plant Japanese tree lilac, disease-resistant elm, honey locust, hackberry, river birch and ginkgo.

All of these trees will need special care. The MPRB Forestry Division plants over 3,000 new trees yearly and has over 300,000 to care for throughout Minneapolis, so after the initial watering, the homeowner is asked to take over as caregiver. The newly-planted trees need an inch of rainfall each week. If rain does not come, the new trees need help. This is true for any tree less than five years old. The easiest way to water is to place a hose at the base of the tree, set at a slow trickle, for one hour, or to slowly pour eight five-gallon buckets of water around the roots of the tree.

If you want a new boulevard tree planted next spring (2011), you can call 612-370-4900 to request a tree. If you have a preference for a particular tree, you can request one from the varieties that are appropriate boulevard trees. (*See list of trees above.*) Park crews will determine if conditions allow for planting a tree. For valuable tree information on planting, caring for, and removal of trees in Minneapolis, visit www.minneapolis-parks.org.



FULTON Block Club

Block Contacts Needed

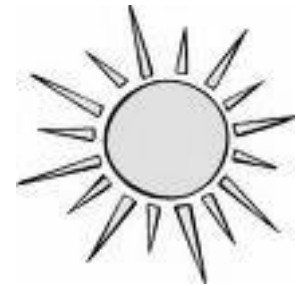
Join the Fulton Block Club and help welcome new neighbors to your block with a Fulton Welcome Packet. This is an easy and fun way to make a contribution to the neighborhood. If you live on one of the blocks listed below and would like to volunteer, please contact Block Facilitator Lisa McCleary at lpmmcleary@gmail.com or 612-920-7954. Block contacts are also occasionally asked to help disseminate neighborhood information to their block.

5200 Abbott	5100 Drew	5100 France	4900 Russell	5200 Vincent	4800 York
5000 Beard	5200 Drew	5200 France	5100 Russell	5300 Vincent	4900 York
5300 Beard	5300 Drew	4800 Penn	4800 Thomas	5100 Washburn	5200 York
4800 Chowen	4800 Ewing	4900 Penn	4900 Thomas	4700 Xerxes	5300 York
5200 Chowen	5100 Ewing	5000 Penn	5000 Thomas	5000 Xerxes	4900 Zenith
Cromwell Ct.	5200 Ewing	4800 Queen	4700 Upton	5100 Xerxes	
Cromwell Dr.	4700 France	5100 Queen	5000 Upton	5200 Xerxes	
4800 Drew	4800 France	Red Cedar	4700 Vincent	5300 Xerxes	
4900 Drew	4900 France	4800 Russell	4900 Vincent	4700 York	

Pershing Park Update

Summer Program Registration

Registration is now open. Programs can be viewed online at www.minneapolisparcs.org. Register online, in person or over the phone. Please call 612-370-4928 if you have questions.



Special Olympics

Bocce Ball - Wednesdays, June 23-August 18, 6:30-8:00 p.m., ages 6 and up, \$30.

Community Special Event (Mark Your Calendars)

Pershing "Summer Chill" Ice Cream Social - Wed., June 16, 6-8 p.m., all ages, FREE.

It's time to "chill" with friends, neighbors and family and enjoy FREE ice cream. Hot dogs, chips, and refreshments will be available for purchase. Kids can enjoy the Moon Walk and other fun activities.

SWAC Track and Field Volunteer Coaches Needed!

The Pershing/Linden Hills (SWAC) track program participation has doubled from the 2009 numbers. We are looking for coaches to assist with the program. Coaches must complete a background check and the MPRB certification program. Please contact Marc at Pershing Park (612-370-4928), if you are interested. Practices begin in mid-May and meets begin in late May and run through early July.