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The Fulton Neighborhood's boundaries are 47th Street to 54th Street and France Avenue to Penn Avenue.

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Fulton Farmers Market Set to Open 5/19



Southwest neighbors may want to save room in their gardens until the Fulton Farmers Market kicks off its second season. Waxwing Farm owners Anna Racer and Pete Skold will be returning to the market with produce from their newly purchased farm in Webster, Minn - starting out with soil-block starter plants: tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, cabbage, broccoli, basil, and other herbs.

Most of the farmers from last year will return, a few new ones will join us and new features are planned. Opening day is May 19 and the market will run every Saturday through October, 8:30 a.m.- 1 p.m., in the parking lot of Lake Harriet Methodist Church on 49th St. and Chowen Ave. in SW Minneapolis.

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Fabulous Fulton Plant Sale
same weekend as Edina Art Fair
June 1, 2 & 3

Whether you're planning a new landscaping project or just a pot of color for the front steps, we have the plants for you. Please visit our new location at the corner of 51st & Ewing and make your selections. Your support will help reforest Fulton neighborhood. We need your help, too! See page 3 for details.

6th Annual B.L.E.N.D. Award

We are pleased to announce the 2012 B.L.E.N.D. Award. The B.L.E.N.D. Award (Buildings and Landscapes Enhancing the Neighborhood through Design) encourages and rewards builders, architects, and home owners whose newly remodeled or constructed homes and businesses blend into the existing neighborhood design aesthetics. A jury of industry professionals and neighborhood residents will select projects for recognition awards.

We are looking for Minneapolis neighborhoods and businesses to join us as advocates of the B.L.E.N.D. Award and to help spread the word to residents, builders and designers of projects across Minneapolis. We are also looking for a few new volunteers to bring fresh ideas, new spirit and a renewed perspective on celebrating innovative and consistent design. Contact us and find out what we are all about and opportunities available.



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Save the Date!

Fulton Fall Festival



**Saturday
September 8th**

West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

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The Fulton Farmers Market caught on quickly in its first year. Like its sister market, the longstanding Kingfield Farmers Market, the weekly event connects neighbors, small-scale farmers, and local shopkeepers over just-picked veggies, coffee, pumpkin brioche, hangover hash, and acoustic music. Organizing team member and board treasurer Meg Cowden says this upcoming year will be just as much a community social as gourmet grazing opportunity, but with some big logistic improvements.

“This year, the market will be zero waste,” says Meg. “We will compost or recycle all the waste we generate. And, you will be able to use your credit card or SNAP–EBT card at the market tent to buy tokens that will be as good as money.” She lists local shops Body Bliss, Bodylish, and Gorkha Palace among new vendors that complement returning favorites Broders, Chef Shack, Moonshine Roasters, Patisserie 46, and Big River Pizza, with its wood-fired kitchen on wheels.

And then there’s the central element of the market: the fresh, sustainably cultivated produce, meats, cheeses, eggs, and preserved foods provided by small, local farms.

Expect workshops on greening your home and yard, promoting your wellness, bike clinics, cooking demonstrations, and children’s events to make each week as fresh as the tomatoes.

Fulton Farmers Market depends largely on individuals and families as volunteers and support from local business. This year’s Sustaining Sponsor is France 44 Wine and Spirits. Other sponsoring businesses are: Uptown Heating and Cooling, Tod Teeple & Larry LaVercombe, Calhoun Cycle, Broders’ Cucina Italiana, and Dwight Demaine.

Get involved and stay in touch! Like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter @fultonmarketmn, or visit our website at <http://fultonfarmersmarket.org>. To volunteer, please contact us at: volunteers@fultonfarmersmarket.org

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Eligible projects include new buildings, renovation or additions to existing buildings, and landscape projects that have been completed since July 1, 2007; projects must be located within the boundaries of the City of Minneapolis.

The B.L.E.N.D. Award is sponsored by the Fulton Neighborhood Association in partnership with other Minneapolis neighborhoods. We would love to hear from you. Email to [philrader@philrader.com](mailto:prader@philrader.com) for more information or check out our website at BlendAward.org.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

Fabulous Fulton Plant Sale

Please Donate Your Plants and Volunteer Time

The Fulton Plant Sale, June 1-3, wouldn't be possible without your help. Here's how you can contribute:

- ♦ **Donate your plants.** Most perennials, including hostas, benefit from being divided every few years and will appreciate the extra room. For more information about dividing your plants, visit <http://bit.ly/divideplants>
- ♦ **Please consider volunteering your time.** Two-hour shifts are available starting at 7 a.m. on Friday or 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The last shift starts at 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. It's easy, it's fun, and it's a great way to meet new people from around the neighborhood, the Twin Cities, the state and the country. Plant knowledge is helpful, but not necessary. Hennepin County Master Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions.
New this year: Volunteers needed to water plants—you will not be asked to make sales!

To schedule your volunteer time, donate plants or for more information, contact Mary at 612-922-1591 or environment@fultonneighborhood.org.

FNA Needs You!

Fulton Neighborhood Association is considering adding advertising to our bi-monthly newsletter. This increased revenue would allow us to better serve the needs of the neighborhood. If you would be willing to call on neighborhood businesses to sell ad space, please contact Ruth Olson at (612)925-3711 or sr4olson@usfamily.net. Your help would be greatly appreciated!

Lake Harriet Walking Tour

Wed., June 13
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Beard's Plaisance Picnic Shelter
(4525 Upton Ave S)
Guide: Peter Sussman
Cost: \$5



Explore the transformation of Lake Harriet from a rural lakeside setting to the parks and neighborhoods of today. Mrs. Frances Thornton advertised for picnic, boating and fishing parties to come out to her brick mansion at the southwest shore of Lake Harriet in the 1860s. Soon after, Charles McC. Reeve renamed the property Sunnyside Farm and in the 1880s donated his portion of shoreline to the Board of Park Commissioners for a boulevard. From the Beard's Plaisance picnic shelter designed by Harry W. Jones we will trace the site of the Thornton/Reeve grounds and view the present eclectic assortment of lakeside houses dating from the early to late 20th century.
Co-sponsored by the Linden Hills History Study Group.

Fulton Green

Volunteer

Things to Do

FNA Welcomes New Board Member Jane Kohlen

Congratulations to Jane Kohlen for recently joining the Board of Directors of Fulton Neighborhood Association.

Jane and her husband, Rich, have lived in Fulton Neighborhood for 21 years. Their daughter, Claire, will graduate from high school this spring and plans to attend University of Westminster in London this fall. Jane loves Fulton neighborhood for its accessibility to Lake Harriet, Minnehaha Creek and the shops on 50th St. Jane currently works as a mechanical engineer/project manager.

Jane joined the board because she loves the neighborhood and wants to be more involved with the community. She has previously volunteered at the Fulton Plant Sale and Fall Festival. She would like to work on Minnehaha Creek—improving water runoff, eliminating the noxious weeds and preventing erosion along the paths.



Southwest Super Summer Program



More than 120 classes and activities will be offered to kids ages 4 1/2 – 14 this summer through Southwest High School Community Ed. Weekly classes run from June 11– July 19.

Call 612-668-3100 for more information or to request an e-mailed brochure.

Pershing Park Update

Summer Program Registration

Registration is now open. Programs can be viewed online at www.minneapolisparcs.org. On the webpage, select “Active Net Program Registration” under “Quick Links.” Register online, in person or over the phone. Please call 612-370-4928 if you have any questions.

Recreation Plus+ Registration

Looking for FUN school-age child care this summer? Look no further, there are still openings at Pershing and Linden Hills Park for their full day Recreation Plus+ program.

Contact Jake at Pershing 612-370-4928 or Max at Linden Hills 612-370-4913 for the registration paperwork.

Pershing Park Field Renovations

The renovation of the fields at Pershing Park is coming along nicely and the grass is growing. However, we need your help in letting the fields completely take root. Please stay off the fields until the temporary fencing is removed— hopefully in early August. This will allow the fields to become fully established and in good shape to be enjoyed by everyone for many years to come.