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

Fulton Neighborhood News is published bimonthly by the Fulton Neighborhood Association (FNA) with funding from the Fulton Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP).

FNA is a nonprofit organization created by and for the residents and businesses of the Fulton neighborhood. Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m., at Pershing Park. All meetings are open to the public.

Fulton NRP is an organization of FNA that implements neighborhood improvement projects. Committee meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m., at Pershing Park.

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Resolve To Get Involved

Your Time + Talents = Better Neighborhood

Do you ever wonder how Fulton Neighborhood Association manages to accomplish so much each year? It is due to the efforts of volunteers who share their time and talents to improve the neighborhood.

It's easy to do and doesn't have to be a huge time commitment. FNA Committees meet only once a month. Take a look at the list of committees below and see if there is a way you might be able to make a difference this year in your neighborhood. *New volunteers are welcome on all committees.*

NRP Implementation - 1st Wednesday, 7 p.m.

The Fulton Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Committee is actively seeking new volunteers to serve on the committee. The committee oversees the spending of NRP funds, coordinating the nuts-and-bolts of developing NRP contracts and helping other committees successfully complete projects with a minimum of bureaucratic headaches. As such, it's a great way to keep in touch with everything that the various neighborhood committees are working on, and a fantastic opportunity to get to know all the different projects underway in the neighborhood.

Community Engagement - TBA

Join the fun! Help plan the annual Fulton Festival. This committee is also responsible for the Block Club and Welcome Packet programs and volunteer recognition activities.

Education - 2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.

Concerned about education? Help get Phase II NRP educational projects/programs for area schools underway.

Environment – 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.

Organize environmental projects such as reforestation (planting trees/Dutch Elm tree inoculation), Landscaping for Rainwater Management and buckthorn removal.

Zoning - 1st Wednesday, 7 p.m.

Review neighborhood zoning and development issues and make recommendations to the FNA Board.

Safety – Last Tuesday, 7 p.m.

Work for public safety in the neighborhood. The committee has been involved

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Save the date

Fulton Festival

Saturday

September 13, 2008

11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Pershing Park

Southwest Community Education: Teachers Wanted

SW Community Education is looking to add some new teachers to their program and they want you! If you think you would enjoy teaching, they are interested in hearing from you. They sponsor a comprehensive general adult education program (GAE), an award-winning summer enrichment program for children (Super Summer Program), a Red Cross swimming program, family and community events, outdoor recreation trips and tours, civic engagement workshops, and youth service/ development programs.

Their school-year program (fall, winter & spring) includes over 125 general adult education classes (GAE). They are looking for teachers who might be interested in teaching the following (Note: you do not have to be certified to teach unless specified with an asterisk (*):

American Sign Language (ASL) Badminton facilitator

Dance: Ballroom, Ballet, Country, Modern, Swing, and other International dances

Gardening

*Lamaze

*Lifeguards

Pilates

Pottery: Wheel & Handbuilt

*Water Safety Instructor (WSI)

*Yoga instructors for Hatha, Prenatal, Postnatal (or Parent/ Baby Yoga)

This is a flexible teaching opportunity for people who are interested, even if you have not taught in the past. The program runs 6-10 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The pay range is \$15-24. If you are interested, please call 612-668-3100 or e-mail *Laura.Lulic-Timpane@mpls.k12.mn.us* or Tom.Neiman@mpls.k12.mn.us.

West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

Upcoming Events: Southwest Community Ed

Southwest Community Education has a number of events planned for 2008 including:

- Waste Reduction & Environmental Workshops The workshops will familiarize you with techniques to reduce, re-use, recycle, to live a "greener life", and to minimize use of toxic substances in your home & workplace. Monthly workshops run February through May.
- Family Sock Hop Friday, March 14, 2008 You and your children, and/or grandchildren are invited to join Southwest Community Ed for an evening of great music (50s, 60s & 70s), great games, treats and prizes, and lots of fond memories for rock-nrollers of all ages!
- Spring "Community Clean-up" Day April 19th, 2008 Join SW Community Ed for an Earth Day clean up effort from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- **Recreation Trips January** through August - Southwest Community Ed is sponsoring a number of recreation trips including cross country skiing, canoe trips, bike tours, and hiking trips.



For more information on any of these events, please visit the Southwest Community Education website at http://southwest.mpls.k12.mn.us/ Community_Education.html.

Penn Avenue South

France Avenue South

Resolve to Get Involved Cont'd

with block organizing, traffic calming issues, and graffiti prevention and removal.

Most committees meet at Pershing Park, 48th and Chowen, with the exception of the Safety Committee, which meets at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 48th and France.

Other ways to participate in the Fulton Neighborhood Association include:

- Attend the FNA Board meetings the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Pershing Park
- Become a Block Contact for your neighborhood block. Contact Tim Walton, Block Facilitator, at 612-922-8059 to determine whether your block needs a volunteer.
- Join the Fulton Block Contact Yahoo Group to receive neighborhood information and safety updates. Visit www.fultonneighborhood.org to join this e-mail list.

For more information or to talk to someone about volunteering, call Tara at 612-922-3106 or e-mail info@fultonneighborhood.org.

New to the 'Hood?

A Fulton Welcome Packet awaits you!

A Welcome Packet, full of valuable coupons and information, is waiting for you.

Call 612-922-3106 or e-mail info@fultonneighborhood.org

We look forward to meeting you and invite you to attend our monthly meetings.

Notecards for Sale

The Fulton Neighborhood Association is selling Fulton notecards, designed by local artist Darylee Michlink, as part of its fundraising efforts. Featured at the Fulton Festival, each set of 4 cards highlights images from the neighborhood.

The notecards can be viewed on the FNA website

www.fultonneighborhood.org

The cards (\$10/set) make great gifts and can be ordered by contacting Tara Kumar:

Phone 612-922-3106

Email tkumar@fultonneighborhood.org.

Neighborhood Crime Data Available on FNA Website

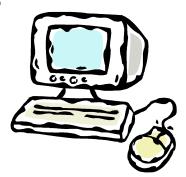
Stay up to date with the latest neighborhood public safety information by visiting the Fulton Neighborhood website at:

www.fultonneighborhood.org

The Fulton Safety Committee posts a monthly Safety Update on the website, which lists all the crimes that have taken place in the neighborhood each month. In addition, a monthly crime map for the neighborhood, provided by the Minneapolis

Police Department, is also posted to the site. This document highlights the locations of various crimes throughout the neighborhood.

View both sets of documents by visiting the FNA website and clicking on "Safety".



Pershing Park Update

Winter Program Registration – Registration is currently open for winter programs. Check online for program information and availability on the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board website, www.minneapolispark.org, call Pershing Park (370-4928) or pick up information at the park.

Preschool Program Highlights

- * Babygarten 10:30-11:30 a.m., Mondays, Jan. 28 March 10, ages 3 and under, \$48
- * Winter Indoor Play Time 10:30AM-12:00 p.m., Wednesdays & Fridays, Jan. 9 -March 19, ages 4 and under, free.
- * Pershing "Two-rrific" Play Time Wednesdays, Session I: Jan. 16—Feb. 13, Session II: Feb. 20 -March 19, 9:30-10:30 a.m. or 10:45-11:45 a.m., age 2, \$40 per session
- * Preschool Pals Tuesdays and Thursdays, Session I: Jan. 15 -Feb. 14, Session II: Feb. 19 -March 25, 9:45-11:45 a.m., ages 3-5, \$100 per session

Please note: Fees listed are for Minneapolis residents

Children's Program Highlights

- * Winter Wonderland (Environmental Program) 4-5 p.m., Friday, Feb 1-22, ages 6-12, \$10
- * January Release Day Trips:

Monday, Jan. 21 (1-3 p.m.) – Martin Luther King Celebration at Whittier Park, ages 6-12, \$5 (if bus transportation is needed)

Friday, Jan. 25 (11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) – The Riverview Theater, ages 6-12, \$11

Community Special Event (Mark Your Calendars)

* Pershing Spring Breakfast and Egg Hunt Celebration – 8:30-10:30 a.m., Saturday, March 15, all ages, (egg hunt for youth ages 12 and under), free.

Promote your neighborhood, show off home projects: Apply for the 2008 Minneapolis & Saint Paul Home Tour

Are you proud of a recent home remodeling project, or completing a series of projects? The Minneapolis & Saint Paul Home Tour is accepting applications through January 23, 2008 for the April 26 & 27 Tour. Early inquiries and applications are encouraged from homeowners and contractors.

"There's extraordinary enthusiasm among tour participants," said Margo Ashmore, Tour coordinator. "For the homeowner who got ideas, advice and contractor referrals from previous tours, this is a way to 'give back' by sharing their experiences; it also gives a deadline for completing projects and getting the house in great shape."

Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) and the City of Saint Paul Planning and Economic Development department manage the tour, now in its 21st year. It is a celebration of city living that encourages homeowners to improve, remodel and expand the existing housing stock. Many organizations and businesses sponsor the tour. Contractors and other vendors may nominate homes they have worked on, and are encouraged to call for more information. Neighborhood organizations can help host the homes and promote neighborhood amenities and activities.

For more information, call Tour Coordinator Margo Ashmore at 612-673-5103 or e-mail her at link@nrp.org. Go to the website, www.MSPHomeTour.com; the application form can be downloaded in Word from the "nominate" page.