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NEWS

July 2009

Walgreens proposed to replace Pearson's at 50th & Ewing

The Fulton Neighborhood Association heard commercial redevelopment plans for the northwest corner of 50th & Ewing at its June 10 meeting. John Kohler, AIA, of Semper Development, Ltd, presented the company's proposed plan to redevelop the property in the Fulton neighborhood. The new building, with adjacent parking, will host a Walgreens Pharmacy. Semper Development, Ltd, a Minneapolis-based developer, plans to purchase the property to redevelop the space that currently houses Pearson's Restaurant.

A Fulton Community Meeting has been planned for **Wednesday, July 22, 2009, from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Pershing Park, 48th & Chowen**, to allow interested residents to review and comment on the proposed commercial redevelopment.

The meeting will be structured to allow ample time to view and discuss the proposed plan with a representative(s) of Semper Development, Fulton Neighborhood Association Board members and Zoning Committee members.

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Join the FNA Board

Board Elections will be held
Wednesday, September 9, 2009
7 p.m., Pershing Park

5 vacancies need to be filled in this year's FNA election. FNA Board members serve two-year terms. For more information, or to add your name to the pre-printed ballot, call 612-922-3106 or e-mail *info@fultonneighborhood.org.*

Fulton Fall Festival - Sept. 12

Volunteers, Silent Auction Items Needed Now

While the Community Engagement Committee is busy organizing fun, family-friendly activities for the upcoming Festival, we are also in need of volunteers for the day of the Festival. ***Without your help, there could be no Festival.*** Please consider donating a couple of hours to your neighborhood. Fulton Coordinator Rhea Sullivan is donating her time to recruit Festival volunteers. Contact Rhea to sign up now at 612-922-3106 or e-mail *rhea.sullivan@gmail.com*. ***All volunteers will receive 6 free tickets (and our thanks!)***

Silent Auction items and help are also needed. Can you pick up items, help with set up, write thank you notes or donate something? Contact Kristine at 612-928-3953 or *kris@lamosse.com*.

Marketplace tables still available. Showcase your wares at the Fulton Festival this year. Marketplace tables are $30 or $10 for children 15 and under. To register, contact Mary at 612-922-1591 or *mknolte@gmail.com*.

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

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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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Friends of Fulton
Call for Nominations

Do you know someone who contributes to the Fulton community in a unique and meaningful way - as a volunteer, business person or good neighbor? Nominate him or her to be recognized as a "Friend of Fulton." Awards will be given at the FNA Annual Meeting on September 9, 2009.

It's quick and easy. Just fill out the form on page 4 and mail it or e-mail the information to *friends@fultonneighborhood.org* by the August 1 deadline.

West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

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Community Meeting Schedule - Wednesday, July 22

5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Open house style review/discussion with John Kohler, AIA, of Semper Development, Ltd and FNA Board members
6:30 - 6:45 p.m.	Formal presentation by John Kohler, AIA
6:45 - 7:15 p.m.	Group Q & A
7:15 – 7:30 p.m.	Meeting wrap-up and informal chat/comments

We hope to see you there. If you have questions, e-mail us at *meeting@fultonneighborhood.org* or call 612-922-3106.

A Night to Unite

July 22 deadline for free road closure

National Night Out (NNO) is fast-approaching. This year's event will be held on Tuesday, August 4. Not only is NNO a great opportunity to reinforce the idea that the partnership between citizens and police is key in preventing crime, but it is also a great time to socialize with neighbors.

The City of Minneapolis has traditionally had one of the best turnouts for NNO in the country. Help Minneapolis hold on to bragging rights! Go to *www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno* to register your event, get activity ideas, print invitations and much more!

Pershing Park Update

Fall Program Registration - Begins Monday, August 10 at 6 p.m. Register online, in person or over the phone.

School Year Recreation Plus Registration Now Open
Rec+ is a safe, fun, friendly and affordable before and after school childcare for (K-6) school-age children. The program runs from September 2009 - June 2010. Fees are as follows: Before School: $177/month; After School: $141/month.

Children's Program Highlights
Space is still available in some of the July and August programs and Friday Field trips.

For more information or to register for any of the above, visit www.minneapolisparks.org or call Pershing Park at 612-370-4928.

SWAC Fall Sports Registration - Begins in mid-July for Soccer and Volleyball. Register at *www.swac.info* or pick up a mail-in registration form at Pershing or Linden Hills Park.

Fulton Green

Fulton Plant Sale Phenomenal Success

Thanks to all who participated

This year's plant sale took in record sales of $3,128. Considering the weather was cool and rainy for two out of the three days and that most plants sell for $5 or less, this was truly remarkable.

A Big Thanks to all who helped make the sale a success!!! Every contribution was appreciated and had a direct impact on the outcome of the sale. Whether you donated plants, your time or came to purchase, we could not have done it without you. Money raised will stay in Fulton. The additional boulevard trees planted with these funds will be enjoyed for generations to come.

If you were not able to help this year, please consider pitching in for 2010.

Huge thanks are due to Mary Nolte for her leadership. She is the driving force behind this successful event.

Plant Sale tip: *This comes from Fulton resident, Chris Wilson-Grady. Chris continues to divide and pot plants all summer, sinking them into the ground for the winter. Come spring they are ready to go and can easily be donated.*

Trees Are Cool

Plant a tree today for cleaner air tomorrow

- Trees filter pollutants, absorb carbon dioxide and help fight erosion.
- A healthy tree cools the air equivalent to ten room-sized air conditioners operating 20-hours a day. - *USDA Forest Service*
- Trees planted in urban areas can help reduce heating and cooling costs by 20%. - *Center for Urban Forest Research*
- "Trees properly placed around a building can reduce air conditioning needs by 30% and can save 20-50% in energy used for heating." - *USDA Forestry Service*
- Trees add curb appeal to your home and can add 15% to your property's value.

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A society grows great when old men plant trees whose shade they know they shall never sit in.

Greek proverb

"Fulton Favorites"

Don't miss your chance to make an artful lawn sign

The "Fulton Favorites" Lawn Sign project is moving towards completion. Don't miss your chance to make a lawn sign. Contact Gail Katz-James to set up a workshop for your neighborhood book club, scout troop, sewing circle or bridge club. You can reach Gail at 612-926-4497 or *gkatzjam@earthlink.net*. This art project is free to all participants, funded by the Fulton Neighborhood Association through an Arts Committee grant. All signs will be displayed at the Fulton Festival. After the Festival, residents may take them home and display their lawn signs year after year.

BLEND Award deadline 7/31

Winners to be announced September 9

The B.L.E.N.D. Award is proudly sponsored by Fulton, Armatage, East Harriet Farmstead, Kenny and Linden Hills neighborhood associations. The participating neighborhood organizations have issued a call for submissions for the third annual B.L.E.N.D. Award, which recognizes builders, architects and designers whose projects respect existing neighborhood design aesthetics. 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.

Eligible projects include new buildings and remodels, renovation or additions to existing buildings, and landscape projects that have been completed since July 1, 2004; 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 will correspond with the Fulton Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting held on September 9th, 2009, at Pershing Park Recreation Center, 3523 W. 48th St., Minneapolis, MN 55410.

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

Submission deadline is Friday, July 31st, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.

Friends of Fulton Nomination Form

Mail to: **Fulton Neighborhood Association**
Pershing Park
3523 West 48th Street
Minneapolis, MN 55410

Deadline: August 1, 2009

I nominate _____ as a "Friend of Fulton."

Your name (as nominator) _____

Your Phone # _____

Nominee's address _____

Phone # _____

Mail this form to address above or put all of this information in an e-mail and send to: *friends@fultonneighborhood.org*.

Please explain why you feel this individual should be recognized as a "Friend of Fulton." If you need more space, please attach another sheet of paper.

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