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New Residential Energy Program Coming to Fulton!

Learn how to reduce your energy use and save money! Fulton Neighborhood Association has teamed up with the Center for Energy and Environment, CenterPoint Energy and Xcel Energy to offer Fulton homeowners Community Energy Services (CES), a full service residential energy program.

The program will not only provide you with information about reducing your energy use by installing low-cost/no-cost measures in your home, but it will also provide you with the tools and financing necessary if you are ready to make larger investments such as insulation, sealing bypasses and installing new windows.

Community Energy Services (CES) provides:

- ♦ FREE educational workshops to teach homeowners how to lower their energy use and save money.
- ♦ Low-cost materials which may include: low-flow showerheads, setback thermostats, compact fluorescent light bulbs, gasket seals, door sweeps, faucet aerators, pipe insulation and attic hatch weather-stripping to help participants save now.

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Fulton Fall Festival and Food Drive

Saturday, Sept. 12
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Pershing Park (48th & Chown)

see insert inside for details

FNA Annual Meeting & Elections September 9, 7:00 p.m., Pershing Park

The Fulton Neighborhood Association (FNA) Annual Meeting will be held Wednesday, September 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. Join us at Pershing Park to elect new board members, hear updates from our elected public officials and recognize this year's Friends of Fulton and B.L.E.N.D. Award recipients.

Fulton residents aged 18 and older are encouraged to run for the FNA Board. Five seats with two-year terms are open. Individuals who reside or own property in the Fulton neighborhood, or who are the sole designated representative of a business, religious institution, or school in the Fulton neighborhood are eligible. For more info, or to add your name to the pre-printed ballot, contact us at ballot@fultonneighborhood.org or 612-922-3106. You can also add your name to the ballot at the beginning of the meeting.

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West 47th Street

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West 54th Street

Neighborhood Policing Plan *Fulton Community Meeting Sept. 29*

Neighborhood Policing Plans are created each year to outline the concerns and engagement for residents and the Minneapolis Police Department for each neighborhood. Neighborhood Policing Plans are a coordinated effort between the community and Minneapolis Police to improve the livability of the city and to work together to reduce crime.

Join us at this community meeting to tell us your concerns and priorities for your neighborhood and what you and your neighbors could do to help us achieve these goals.

Date: Tuesday, September 29
Time: 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Location: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
4801 France Ave. S.
Minneapolis, MN 55410

For more information, contact Amy Lavender, 612-673-5797 or AmyLavender@ci.minneapolis.mn.us.

Organic Lawn/Garden Workshops *Free workshops coming soon*

Bob Dahm of Organic Bob, LLC will be presenting two workshops on lawn and garden care to help you prepare your lawn and garden for next year.

Organic Lawn Care – Preparing Your Lawn for Next Spring
Monday, August 31, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Linden Hills Park Building Art Room

Fall is the most important season of organic lawn care. Learn how to prepare your lawn for winter without using chemicals! Find out what to do, when to do it, where to get supplies, and services. Discover the secrets to organic weed control.

Start Next Year's Gardens without Digging
Monday, September 14, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
Linden Hills Park Building Art Room

Organic Bob will teach you a couple of methods of creating rich organic garden beds this fall, for next spring, without the back-breaking process of digging. Let the microbes do the work for you, for healthier soil and a healthier you.

Contact Sharon Kennedy at lindenhillswater@gmail.com to register or to get answers to your questions. Co-sponsored by the Linden Hills Neighborhood Council (LHiNC) Environment Committee Waterkeeper's Project and the Linden Hills Co-op.

France Avenue South

Penn Avenue South

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- ♦ Customized home energy visits from qualified professionals who will identify additional ways for residents to save in their homes, including a blower door test (to measure and locate air leaks in your home). Up to \$400 in services and materials for a co-pay of only \$20.
- ♦ Personalized energy-use inventory for the last 12 months and feedback for the next 12 months to show the homeowner how these low-cost/no-cost measures resulted in decreased energy use, also allowing participants to compare their energy use to that of their neighbors participating in the program (confidentially, of course).
- ♦ Financing, incentives and rebates for those wishing to complete larger projects such as insulation or a furnace replacement.

Workshops will be held:

Tuesday, October 27, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Lake Harriet Methodist Church (4901 Chowen Ave. S.)

OR

Saturday, November 7, 10:00 a.m. - noon
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd (4801 France Ave. S.)

Reserve your spot at the workshop by contacting Beth Bennett
at 612-335-5874 or bbennett@mncee.org.

By being a part of the Community Energy Services program, you will be one of the first people in the state to have access to everything this program has to offer. Invite your friends, neighbors and family -- all Fulton homeowners are welcome! For more information, contact Ashley Robertson at 612-335-5869 or arobertson@mncee.org.

Funding for this project was provided by, among other sources, the Minnesota Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund as recommended by the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR).

Minneapolis Bike Tour – Sunday, September 20

The tour benefits The Foundation for Minneapolis Parks.
For more information, please visit www.minneapolisbiketour.com.

Don't Forget To Water Your Trees

We are still in a drought, despite recent rainfall

This summer has been exceptionally dry. The Minnesota Climatology Office has categorized our area as "D2 - Drought-Severe."

We are at risk of losing our trees if they do not get at least one inch of water per week until the ground freezes in mid to late November. The best method for watering trees is a slow drip for an hour. For more information, visit www.minneapolisparks.org/default.asp?PageID=150.



BLEND Award Winners

Recognizing Great Home Design

The 2009 B.L.E.N.D. Award Committee announces the selection of six projects for its third annual residential design award that recognizes architects, builders, and homeowners whose projects respect existing neighborhood design aesthetics.



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The 2009 recipients are:

- + **Domain Architecture & Design** and **Elevation Homes** for 4027 Sheridan Ave. S.
- + **Domain Architecture & Design** and **Silver Mark Design Build** for 4741 Emerson Ave. S.
- + **Rehkamp Larson Architects** and **Reuter Walton Construction** for 4623 Humboldt Ave. S.
- + **Mackey Malin Architects** for 5155 Xerxes Ave. S.
- + **TreHus** for 4546 Fremont Ave. S.
- + **TreHus** for 5124 Colfax Ave. S.

An awards ceremony to honor these recipients and the homeowners will be held during Fulton Neighborhood Association's Annual Meeting on September 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at Pershing Park, 48th St. and Chowen Ave. S.

The 2009 B.L.E.N.D. Award jurors were Peter Styx, AIA, of URS Corp, Shyan Fitzgerald, realtor with CB Burnet Lakes Office, and Tom Alagna, CPA, of Thomas James Alagna, LLC. Many thanks to the jurors for their participation.

B.L.E.N.D. stands for *Buildings and Landscapes Enhancing the Neighborhood through Design*. The name and award represent Southwest Minneapolis residents' recognition of interest in their neighborhoods and encouragement of progress, while balancing a need for compatibility with existing residences. Created in 2007 by FNA's Zoning Committee for Fulton neighborhood design projects only, B.L.E.N.D. Award eligibility was successfully expanded this year to include projects in other Southwest neighborhoods. Sponsoring neighborhood associations this year included Armatage, East Harriet Farmstead, Fulton, Kenny, and Linden Hills. Many thanks to all who participated!

Photos and briefs of the selected projects, quotes from the jurors about each, and the guidelines for eligible projects can be found at www.blendaward.org.



Pershing Park Update

Fall Program Registration is now open. View programs at www.minneapolisparcs.org. Register online, in person or over the phone. Call us at 612-370-4928 if you have questions.

Children's Special Events

- ♦ Release Day Field Trips (check online for details or pick up a summer program at the park.)
- ♦ Pre-School Halloween Party - Saturday, October 31 from 10-11:30 a.m. Linden Hills Park will also be hosting a Halloween Party from 6:00-8:00 p.m. that evening.

SWAC Fall Sports Registration. Some space still available for Volleyball and Soccer. Inquire at Linden Hills Park (612-370-4913) for Volleyball, Fundamental Soccer (K-1st Grade) and Squirt Soccer (2nd-3rd Grade) and Pershing Park (612-370-4928) for 11U and Up Soccer.

