



## **RECORD CROWDS FOR PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Always a popular neighborhood function, this year over 600 people turned out for the September 7th event. The weather couldn't have been better and people didn't seem to mind standing line sometimes long serving lines to get those great pancakes. New this year was a hot air balloon ride courtesy of Mike McAlpine and ReMax. The list of people contributing to the success of the breakfast grows each year. The biggest share of thanks goes to Steering Committee members and their families and to coordinator, Susan Jennings. Tom and Jeanette Denfeld also get special recognition for providing grills and cooking pancakes. Nick's Auto Repair again donated quantity purchases and owners Eleanor and Nick Nickerson's whole family helped. Other area businesses making contributions included Wild Oats, PIP Printing and Herb's Quality Meats. Nanci Beckner and Mike McAlpine did promotional fliers, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church provided tables, chairs and coffeemakers. Friends and neighbors donating time included Amy and Paul Carter, Karen Brown, Ed Lundberg and Gary LaCroix. Special thanks to that flamboyant pancake mixer Peter Seward. See you next year.

**NIST ADDITION.** Federal government plans for enormous new construction on the 325 Broadway acreage south of the present Bureau of Standards building have aroused much interest, most of it violently opposed. Efforts by the City Council to influence building design may have mitigated some of the worst features of the preliminary plans. But there is one area which most directly affects our neighborhood, and in which the City can take positive action.

If the Feds plan a new street connection into their property opposite Ash Street (and early plans show such a connection), the resulting traffic could clog up our community, particularly Ash, Martin and Moorhead. A street cut there requires City and State approval. The Federal property can well be accessed and vacated through the present four lane connection at 27th Way and Broadway. Or, at worst, entrance onto Broadway opposite Ash Street can be designed to make it impossible to cross Broadway into Ash. Those of us who want to keep traffic load out of Martin Acres, undoubtedly a large majority of our residents, must make every effort to assure that a through connection to Ash Street doesn't happen.

## **CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF QUALITY EDUCATION IN THE MARTIN ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD**

The Martin Park Staff invites you to join them at an OPEN HOUSE on November 24 from 3 to 5 pm as they celebrate Martin Park Elementary School's 35th birthday. There will be refreshments, music, entertainment, pictures and scrapbooks, and time for friends and former faculty to renew friendships and reminisce.

### **ONGOING ISSUES.**

The Transportation and police have undertaken a speed limit enforcement program on Table Mesa Drive. Experience gained from this effort will be used in planning what improvements should be proposed in place of the discarded boulevard option.

The expected developer at 27th Way and Moorhead (144 dwelling units planned) has advised the City that his financing is in order, and that he will apply for building permit before the end of the year.

Noise mitigation along the Turnpike between Table Mesa and Baseline Drives remains a gleam in many eyes. Present hopes are to speed progress by designing this as a demonstration project, to serve as a laboratory-in-the-field for traffic noise control nationwide.

Designating bike lanes on Moorhead, which would require prohibition of parking along the southwest curb, has mixed reactions from neighbors, particularly negative from those who live on the street. Neighborhood meetings have proved inconclusive.

A bike and pedestrian path connection along Bear Creek between Martin Drive and Moorhead has been delayed by a change in City personnel connected with the proposed project. Again, immediate neighbor reaction is largely negative, based on loss of privacy, possible loss of strips of property, and questions as to the need.

**CITIZENS IN ACTION**

1. A neighbor who lives at the intersection of 29th and Dahlia Streets foresaw a potential bad traffic accident because neither roadway had any warning of the intersection. He called a MANA officer who looked at the situation, agreed that it was dangerous, and called the City Transportation Department. The result? Stop signs on Dahlia, which should solve the problem.

2. If you drive northwest on Moorhead you can't miss the planting in the narrow median strip at the intersection with 27th Way. As pointed out in the *Voice* last year, that improvement is due to the vision and efforts of a single person, Diane Aparisio.

Every one of us can make a difference!

**TOUR OF HOMES.** A committee is forming to plan a Martin Park Tour of Homes for the spring of 1992. Proceeds will go toward improvements for the Martin Park playground or school grounds. If you're interested in working on this committee or know a home that is worthy of inclusion, please call JAE LAW at 494-3552 for more information.

**VOTE ON NOVEMBER 5TH!** In addition to bond and referendum issues, six City Council members are to be elected (two-thirds of the Council membership) from ten candidates. Mana, of course, makes no political endorsements, but this might be helpful. You can vote for up to six candidates, but you don't have to mark for that many. If you have one, two or more for whom you are especially enthusiastic, mark for them only. That will help them competitively.

**SPEED LIMITS ARE EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS.** From time to time we all need to be reminded about posted speed limits, especially on streets like Martin and Moorhead, where drivers are often tempted to exceed those limits. Lynn Altschuler of the Martin Park School PTO, reports that they've asked the police department to step up enforcement on Martin. Neighborhood cooperation will help keep our streets safe!

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**STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING**—MANA's next Steering Committee meeting will be on Monday, December 2, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Harry and Jean Nachman, 3664 Chase Court. Martin Acres residents are welcome.

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