



## MANA'S ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH

7:30 to 10:30 am

**BREAKFAST IN THE PARK!** That's a great way to start the day at MANA's annual neighborhood get-together on Saturday, September 11th from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., at the Martin Park Shelter. The breakfast is MANA's only fund-raiser. Tickets are \$2.50 for adults, and \$1.50 for seniors and kids under 12. City ordinance prohibits transaction of business in the park so on pancake day a ticket booth will be set up at the corner of Dartmouth and 38th Street, at the EAST entrance to the park. You can save 25¢ per ticket by purchasing in advance. Your Block Captain (faithful deliverer of the VOICE) will have tickets, or you may contact any of the officers listed on the reverse. Contact chair Susan Jennings (494-5159) if you can offer to help.

AND...Put in your "two cents worth" regarding bike lanes on Moorhead. We'll be taking a poll of neighborhood residents at the breakfast. **IF YOU CARE, BE THERE! SEE YOU SEPTEMBER 11th.**

### 1993 MANA BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS

Our neighborhood is building up, bursting out and blooming all over! Busy hands are working everywhere in Martin Acres, making the entire area more beautiful by their work. It's getting harder each year to narrow the field in each of our Beautification Award categories, and I want to thank everyone who took the time to notice their neighbor's work and let me know. This year's winners are a small sampling of those possible, so please let everyone who has made improvements know that you appreciate the fruits of their labors. This year's winners are:

**GREEN THUMB AWARD** - Awarded to the most beautiful garden/lawn.

- 4305 Martin
- 125 S. 34th St.

**XERISCAPE AWARD** - Awarded to lawns with beautiful, yet water efficient landscaping.

- 365 S. 45th St.
- 3400 Dartmouth

**BEAUTIFICATION AWARD** - Awarded to homeowners that have made recent improvements.

- 35 S. 32nd St.
- 357 N. 32nd St.

Pictures of the winners will be posted at the Pancake Breakfast along with Honorable Mention Lists in each category. Gift certificates for each of the six winners were graciously donated by local merchants. We hope that you will support these fine neighborhood businesses whenever you can, and tell them you live in Martin Acres!

• Herb's Quality Meats • Flowers by Angie • The Neighborhood Grill • Sturtz and Copeland • McGuckin Hardware

Mary Haan, Beautification Committee

### ORIGINAL HOMEOWNERS

Got any old pictures of how Martin Acres looked "way back when"? Bring them to the pancake breakfast to share! We'll have a bulletin board for them.

### REPORTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### TWO NOTES FOR RENTERS:

A MANA representative attended a public meeting regarding Rental Housing Inspection and Licensing, and came away with two bits of information. First, neighbors have complained about car owners, often renters, parking their vehicles on the front lawn. This is illegal, but the old ordinance was cumbersome to enforce. New Land Use Regulations change the situation so the offending auto can be ticketed. It will be both enforceable and effective.

Second, university students who are tenants are sometimes taken advantage of by their landlords. If you are a student in that position, there is help for you at the University's Off-Campus Student Services, Room 336 of the UMC, 492-7053.

### FLOODS?

Even before this summer's devastation in the Midwest, MANA has been concerned with the effect of the "hundred year flood" which could happen tomorrow or next century. Inquiry to the Department of Public Works about plans which may exist for such a flood brought the following reply:

"There are several Master Plans for flood control and drainage in Boulder. The recommendations in these Master Plans provide the foundation for setting priorities and conceptual designs. However, please remember that implementation of any of these projects, including the ones along Bear Canyon Creek, will not eliminate flooding. These projects will reduce the potential for flooding, depending upon the intensity of the storm. The City continues to recommend that any home (structure) located within, or adjacent to, the floodplain obtain flood insurance in order to mitigate the financial impact due to flooding". Note: The floodplain map can be examined at the Department of Public Works, 1739 Broadway.

## MARTIN PARK

Replacement for the vandalized children's play equipment was finally installed on July 21st. Our community, with many young families and their small children, needs and deserves a play area for small children comparable to other parks in Boulder, and thus much better and bigger than what is there now. Present Parks and Recreation Department plans call for "study" of Martin Park improvements in 1994, and implementation of such improvements in 1995. In four consecutive monthly appearances at meetings of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and in letters to the Parks and Recreation Department, MANA has pleaded for speeded-up treatment for at least the Play Area. How much study is needed to increase the size and greatly increase the equipment available? MANA has prepared and submitted a plan to more than double the size of the small children's play area. If you think we're getting poor treatment, especially after losing most of this summer due to the replacement equipment being delayed by its manufacturer, voice your opinion to Parks and Recreation, 441-3400!

## RATS!!!

Tom Douville of the Boulder County Health Dept. (and former Martin Acres resident) has received rat complaints from residents along Bear Creek near the park, and provides the following information to help eliminate or reduce the problem.

General Information: Rats, skunks, and raccoons use the creeks and drainage ways as their highways. There is always some level of rat activity. When rats find sources of food they will stay in an area.

Rat Avoidance Tips: If you have pet dogs or cats and feed them outside, don't leave food in the dish for extended periods (overnight). Your pet will easily adjust to the change. Clean up spills from caged pets such as rabbits. If you have a bird feeder, use one that has small perches for the birds and small openings to the feed. The open tray type feeders are easy for rats to use. Keep pet food in sealed containers such as a metal or plastic garbage can. Garbage should be kept in a similar container with a tight-fitting lid. Follow these tips now before cold weather arrives. Rats don't like the cold. They will try to gain access to a warm environment (your house) if there is food to attract them.

Rat Control: Poisoning is a method of last resort. Unless the food source is removed, rats will not eat enough of the poison for it to be effective. There is a risk that non-target animals will consume the poison. Trapping can be successful if done properly, but as with poisoning it does nothing to eliminate the cause of the problem. **REMOVING THE FOOD SOURCE IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS OF RODENT CONTROL.** For more information call the Health Department at 441-1180.

## WEEDS NO MORE THAN ONE FOOT HIGH

"Weeds may not be allowed to grow more than one foot high" - That's what the city ordinance says. Are you in compliance? If so, your neighbors are grateful. If not, get out the mower and clippers! The fine for violators is pretty stiff!

## MANA STEERING COMMITTEE

The next meeting is Mon. October 4, at 7:30 pm, at the Alvarado Village Community House. Take Moorhead to Ash, Ash west 1 block to Berkley Ct. - turn right and go to the far (north) end of Berkley Ct. All meetings are open to neighborhood residents.

### MANA OFFICERS

President .....	Harry Nachman.....	499-5941
Vice-President .....	Steve Altermatt .....	494-6224
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Area 1A.....	Everett Childs .....	494-7081
Area 1B.....	Bill Kehres .....	494-7523
Area 2.....	Giles Schurman.....	494-9095
Area 3.....	Vern Smith.....	494-8679
Area 4.....	Barb Timblin.....	494-9598
Zoning/Code .....	Zach Miller .....	494-5416
Demographics .....	Mike McAlpine.....	499-7737
Beautification.....	Mary Haan .....	494-6396
Transportation.....	Randy Flodine.....	499-6239

## SHARING & MATCHING

Ads are free with a \$10 donation to MANA • Call Laura Greenhalgh at 494-4767 before October 20 to place your ad for the November 1 VOICE..

**TIMA'S PRIVATE BEAUTY SALON** with over 20 years experience, complete hair care for the entire family. For Martin Acre neighbors, a hair cut is reduced to \$5.99, and 20% off color and perms given to first time customers. By appointment only, Mon-Sat, 240 So. 40th St., 494-7172.

**CARTER PAINTING** Interior/Exterior, local references. Paul, 494-5362.

**PLANNING TO REMODEL** but don't know where to start? Call Paula Moseley of Archi-Tecture, featured in Martin Park Home Tour. Save time and money and get quality results. Call for free initial consultation, 494-8635.