

# Martin Acres VOICE

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## MANA Email list

The MANA email list is one of the most efficient ways to keep in touch with what's going on in the neighborhood, and to spread the word about any issues of your own. To join the 130 or so current members, send an email to [majordomo@flatiron.com](mailto:majordomo@flatiron.com) with the following in the body of the text: subscribe manalist

## Minutes

Minutes of the MANA Steering Committee meeting held February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2001 can be had from Camille Hook, 303-499-9020, [camrus7@netzero.net](mailto:camrus7@netzero.net), or retrieved from the MANA Website at <http://www.martinacres.org>.

## Meeting Reminder

The MANA Steering Committee meets monthly, except for December and June, at 7:00 PM on the first Monday of the month at the Church of the Nazarene on Broadway, between Dartmouth and Eastman. Everyone in the neighborhood is encouraged to attend. Contact any member of the steering committee if you have an item you would like entered on the agenda for the next meeting.

## Treasurers Report

Current bank balance is \$1,027. \$120 of that is allocated to Martin Park shelter improvements and \$45 to beautification efforts, making \$862 in available funds. For a detailed report contact Cam Marshall at 303-499-2008, [cmarshall@marshallinfo.com](mailto:cmarshall@marshallinfo.com).

## MARS Meeting

The Martin Acres Referral Service (MARS) committee has scheduled an organizational meeting for Wednesday February 21, 7-9 PM at Camille Hook's house. MARS is a service for referring people to the agencies and organizations that handle neighborhood issues, and a clearinghouse for code enforcement issues. If interested, please call Camille at 303-499-9020.

## Noise Reduction

The City of Boulder plans to install a low-noise road surface during the repaving/improvement projects on Baseline Rd. and Table Mesa Blvd. The product was brought to the attention of city transportation staff by a resident of Chautauqua neighborhood who was researching, on his own, methods for reducing the car noise from Broadway.

The material could reduce tire noise on the streets by as much as 50%. If it works on these two installations, the material will also be applied to Broadway when it is resurfaced. This could be the first time noise was ever reduced in the neighborhood and it's important to note that it results from citizen initiative.

## MANA Garden Tour

The Beautification Committee, headed by Maureen O'Shea-Stone, plans to hold a Martin Acres Garden Tour the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> weekend in June. Tentatively, a guest speaker and Q&A session will cap off a day long tour of neighborhood gardens. Though early in the planning stages, the organizers expect a self-guided tour with accompanying explanatory notes and hand-outs at each site.

If your garden might be of interest to your neighbors, or if you would like to volunteer to help with this event, please contact Maureen, 303-543-8715, [mostone@pcisys.net](mailto:mostone@pcisys.net).

## Website Moved

The Martin Acres Neighborhood Association website now resides at <http://martinacres.org>.

The move gives us more control over the site and more flexibility than we had at BCN and should herald a lot of improvements. If you have ideas for improvement or would like to provide content for the site, contact Frank Hage at 303-494-0491, [fhage@rap.ucar.edu](mailto:fhage@rap.ucar.edu).

Thanks to Frank Hage and Cam Marshall for effecting the move, and to Marshall Information Service ([www.marshallinfo.com](http://www.marshallinfo.com)) and Ariel Design Group ([www.arieldesign.com](http://www.arieldesign.com)) for donating their hosting services.

## Annual Meeting

MANA will conduct its annual membership meeting on Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, from 7 to 9 PM at the Broadway Church of the Nazarene (on Broadway between Dartmouth and Eastman). Besides election of next years officers and committee chairs (see below), the meeting will feature a discussion of the question: **Should Housing Density in Martin Acres be Increased through Zoning Regulations to Accommodate Increased Housing Needs of Boulder?**

City Councilman Tom Eldridge has agreed to participate, and we have invited additional guests advocating both sides of the issue. We expect to have short presentations followed by a much longer discussion period, giving you an opportunity to air your views.

MANA will provide coffee; we encourage you to bring snack or drink to share. A cheesecake would be good. On-site childcare will be provided at no charge.

## Election Slate

MANA will elect next year's officers at the annual meeting, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at the Broadway Church of the Nazarene. Following is the current slate of volunteers standing for election. If you would like to nominate additional people for any of these positions, including yourself, please contact Jan Clason at 303-494-8285, [jan@clason.org](mailto:jan@clason.org). Contact Jan as well for descriptions of each of these positions.

### Officers

- o President: Jan Clason
- o Vice-President: Ned Riedel
- o Secretary: Jerry Wyss
- o Treasurer: Cam Marshall

### Committee Chairs

- o Block Organization: Maureen Maloney
- o Neighborhood Communications:
  - VOICE Editor/Writer [no candidates\*]
  - VOICE Publisher [no candidates\*]
- o Beautification: Maureen O'Shea-Stone
- o Zoning/Code Enforcement/MARS: Camille Hook

### Area Leaders

- o 1A-Megan Barclay Leben
- o 1B-Jen Rodehaver/June Kane
- o 2-Betty Schweikert
- o 3-Don McGregor
- o 4-Terry Snyder/Mark Stangl

**\*We need volunteers!** We won't be able to produce this newsletter unless we fill these positions.

## Keep it Clean

Boulder City code requires that sidewalks be kept clear of obstructions, including snow, which must be removed by noon the day after a snowfall. It's a pretty neighborly thing to do anyway, but also you can be fined for failing to shovel your walk.

If you want to report an uncleared sidewalk, call City of Boulder Environmental Enforcement at 303-441-3239, or email Terry Steinborn at [steinbornt@ci.boulder.co.us](mailto:steinbornt@ci.boulder.co.us). Call that number also if you would like to volunteer to shovel walkways for people physically unable to do their own, or if you need some help with yours.

## LOOKING FOR BLOCK LEADERS

who could deliver VOICE Newsletters in the following areas:

- 29th Street from Dahlia Ave. to Lashley Lane
- 32nd St. from Moorhead Ave. to Ash Avenue

This is a rewarding, quick and easy way to volunteer for your neighborhood. You'll have many opportunities to meet your neighbors and get outside for a bit.

If interested, please e-mail me at [terrysnyder@yahoo.com](mailto:terrysnyder@yahoo.com). I will be glad to help you get started! Thanks, Terry Snyder.

**Someone New to the  
Neighborhood?  
Contact Jan Clason  
for a Welcome  
Packet.  
494.8285 or  
[jan@clason.org](mailto:jan@clason.org)**

### Easter Egg Hunt Canceled

With the organizer expecting a baby soon, and therefore expecting to be fairly occupied, the MANA Easter Egg Hunt has been cancelled for 2001. We would welcome volunteers to organize next years hunt if you find you miss the event. Contact Camille Hook at 303-499-9020, camrus7@netzero.net.

### "Child Find" Developmental Screenings

Boulder Valley School District offers developmental screenings for children aged birth to 5 years, free of charge. This program, called Child Find, targets parents with specific concerns about their child's development and is not intended to merely check developmental milestones.

Call the ChildFind secretary at 303-447-5078 to schedule an appointment, or go to [www.bvds.k12.co.us/childfind/](http://www.bvds.k12.co.us/childfind/) for more information.

By federal law, school districts must provide developmental screening and evaluation at no cost to parents for all children aged birth to 21 years.

### Neighborhood Crime

Last fall, at the request of neighborhood activists, representatives of Boulder City Council asked the police department to prepare a study of residential burglaries in Martin Acres over the last several years to determine if there were localized high crime areas, specifically areas with a high number of burglaries, within the neighborhood.

The police completed the analysis and forwarded the report to MANA in January, 2001. The report details 87 residential burglaries between the beginning of 1996 and October 17, 2000 and includes a map showing total residential and business burglaries throughout Boulder, sorted by neighborhood, and a map of residential burglaries in Martin Acres, color-coded by year. MANA received a black and white copy of the latter map, on which the years can't be distinguished.

There was no comparative data provided so that you cannot, for instance, compare the number of burglaries per household in Martin Acres to the same statistic in Majestic Heights, though you can compare absolute numbers. No data is given for the city as a whole, either, so we can't determine if we are a high or a low crime area relative to the rest of the city.

The report has some value nevertheless. In 41 of the 87 reported burglaries, no force was used to gain entry to the house—this doesn't mean that those burglaries would have been prevented had all the doors and windows been secured, but does suggest that residents often make it easy for the burglars.

Also, burglaries are concentrated along Moorhead and Martin Drive, and in the northwest section of the neighborhood; north of Ash. People in those areas should take additional care to secure their homes while they are away. Burglaries are about 40% more likely to occur at night and are evenly distributed throughout the week, except for Sunday, which historically has a low incidence. Burglary rates drop in May, June and July, then pick back up in August, peaking in December.

To view this report, contact Camille Hook, 303-499-9020, camrus7@netzero.net, who has a printed copy, or Jerry Wyss 303-494-1971, jcwys@csfi.com, who is in the process of scanning the report for electronic delivery.

### MANA Survey

Should Housing Density in Martin Acres be Increased through Zoning Regulations to Accommodate Increased Housing Needs of Boulder? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

Cut out and mail to:

MANA  
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### Sharing & Matching

Ads are free with a \$10 donation to MANA.  
Contact Jan at 494-8285 or [jan@clason.org](mailto:jan@clason.org) by  
MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup> to place your ad for the April 2001 VOICE.

#### A Touch of Wellness

Charlene Thompson offers a variety of pet care services, including: doggie day care, boarding and massage, pet visits to your home, dog and cat home made, organic food. She also represents a number of health product lines: Multipure drinking water systems, Nikken magnetic and far infrared products, Melaluca supplements, house cleaning, body cleaning products with Tea Tree oil. Call 499-3660

**Bestway Insulation**, family-owned in Colorado for 43 years stresses quality workmanship in your home. Services include wall insulation, which can be done through outside brick as well as other types of walls, and soundproofing in your home. The U.S. Dept of Energy recommends an R (insulation) rating of 38 for attics in Boulder; Martin Acres homes average about R8. For a free estimate by phone or in your home, call Bestway Insulation day or night at 469-0808. All work guaranteed.

**Paul Carter Painting**, Martin Acres Resident, Interior/Exterior, Neighborhood references available! 494-5362

**Handyman Service** professional with 30 years experience; 20 years in Martin Acres. I do carpentry, drywall, electrical, plumbing, paint, tile, and most maintenance, repair and small remodel services. I also act as a consultant when you are designing your remodel. Call Dick Ollar at 494-5100.

**Tupperware making it all possible.** Call Megan at 303.499.2324 for a free catalog. Phone orders welcome. Will the Welcome Packet Recipient/ Finder of the 'Hot Pink Sock-Sorter' please call me for a very nice Tupperware gift and a free catalog?

**FOR SALE Nordic Track Treadmill.** Adjustable elevation setting, heart rate, distance, speed, calorie computer read-outs. Handsome wood platform, upper arm exerciser and it's easily stored away. Best offer. Call Ruth at 303-494-3122

The South Broadway Church of the Nazarene (Broadway/ Dartmouth) is your Church in the Martin Acres neighborhood. It's a place where you and your family will be welcomed with open arms as well as grow in your faith. You are invited every Sunday for Bible Study for all ages at 9:15 am and Morning Worship at 10:30 am. For more information call 494-8810 or visit our web page at [www.bouldersbnaz.org](http://www.bouldersbnaz.org).

**Tired of busy signals and slow connections?** Dedicated high speed internet access using megabit DSL is available in Martin Acres. For more info contact local ISP, Ariel Design Group: Jan @ 415.0266 x105 or email [dsi@arieldesign.com](mailto:dsi@arieldesign.com). **No dialup - Always connected**

120 SF prefinished oak flooring, new, still boxed.- \$3.00 per SF. 494-2580

**Free storm window** for Martin Acres bdrm. side window. Call for size-494-2580

**Seeking house to buy in Martin Acres.** We are a family with a 3 year old daughter and are community minded. If you are planning to sell your house or know someone in the neighborhood who is, please call Janet or Alan Streater at: 720-304-3831.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has

—Margaret Mead

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