



Martin Acres VOICE

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Attention All Neighbors join us at the 28th Annual MANA Meeting

Evening Topic:

"Parking Issues in Martin Acres"

Monday — March 7th — 7pm to 9pm

300 South Broadway

Free Babysitting if RSVP to

kids@martinacres.org or (303)494-8285

- :: Refreshments & entertainment
[optional: bring a dessert to share]
- :: 2005-06 elections for MANA Steering Committee
- :: Discuss proposed parking zoning/code changes
What's legal? Encourage stricter enforcement?

Listed below are neighbors who have been nominated thus far to the 2005-06 MANA Steering Committee ballot. To add your name to the ballot, please contact Mark Stangl at (303)499-3163 or mse@mssystem.com. All Martin Acres residents over the age of 18 are eligible for nomination. Elections will be held at the March 7th Annual Meeting. Elected Steering Committee members will serve for the next fiscal year [March 2005 - February 2006].

President:	Steve Clason
Vice President:	Mark Stangl
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Area 1B Leader:	Jim Petri
Area 2 Leader:	Betty Schweikert
Area 3 Leader:	VACANT
Area 4 Leader:	Terry Snyder

MANA YEAR-END SUMMARIES

PRESIDENT REPORT BY MARK STANGL

Martin Acres is under going changes. We're seeing some homes fixed up or completely rebuilt. Some long term residents with growing families are leaving for larger homes out East—they will be missed. CU parents are investing in MA creating even more rentals especially near CU, along Moorhead, Table Mesa, and Lashley. Some long-term landlords are selling out in Martin Acres due problem tenants and regulations. For many of us there is still a strong commitment to the "neighborhood" and the simple pleasure of interacting in a positive way with each other. Due to budget restraints, City services are being cut and some things we have taken for granted must now be supplied by volunteers [e.g. BCIA sponsored cleanups]. MANA email server has created a new community in MA; items and ideas are given away and concerns are shared.

MANA Community Participation: Parade of Lights, Halloween Party, Home Tour, Pancake Breakfast, Eggstravaganza, and BCIA Cleanup on Broadway and US 36.

City Meetings and Ongoing Issues: Zoning Changes have been proposed that do not strongly affect MA. Interest remains high for a pedestrian crossing at 27th & Elm bike-way and 27th Way. Over occupancy laws continue to be of interest — difficult to enforce. Popups and scrapeoffs code changes under consideration by City of Boulder. High Mar Pool saga continues, but no leader has come forward to organize its rebirth. MANA is participating in the CU Alcohol Oversight Subcommittee and several other city committees and boards.

Problems: Parties along Moorhead and in Courts continue to negatively affect neighbors. Parks and Recs policy limiting our access to Martin Park to unload and load equipment for the Pancake Breakfast. Pet waste in Martin Park is still an issue for some nearby residents and park users. From the email list: Occupancy and Code enforcement do not seem to be uniformly applied.

Police: BPD sponsored a laptop computer registration due to rash of thefts around campus and neighborhoods. BPD has sent an officer to most of our monthly meetings and interested in helping prevent crimes.

VICE PRESIDENT RECAP BY STEVE CLASON

MANA continued the normal practice of heavy engagement with city officials in matters pertaining to our neighborhood. MANA was represented at:

- the task force that recommended changes to Boulder's noise ordinances;
 - public hearings at Planning Board and Human Relations Council and community forums addressing changes to the definition of "Family" and how changing that definition could effect occupancy and density issues;
 - City Council Committee for CU/City and environmental enforcement issues;
 - City Council Subcommittee addressing changes to policies and regulations to reduce the negative effects of alcohol;
 - Planning Department Code Simplification Project.
- In general, our efforts have been to ensure that the effects of proposals on our neighborhood (and neighborhoods like ours) are considered when evaluating proposals and in that regard we have continued the successes of the past.

TREASURER BENNETT SCHARF REPORTS: After a successful 2003-4 (funded primarily by a very successful Pancake Breakfast) revenues have been about equal to expenditures in 2004-5. The VOICE ad revenue has almost paid the bills. Here is the total available funds for the last 3 fiscal years: 03/03: \$1,068.00 - 03/04: \$2,345.00 - 03/05: \$2,217.00

WELCOME COMMITTEE BY ALLISON O'NEALL

The welcome packets continue to be distributed, about 4-5 a month. The *Daily Camera* is the main source for locating new neighbors. Unfortunately, often these houses sit vacant because they have been bought as rental properties and are not yet rented when delivery is attempted. Thank you to Mary Huron, City Neighborhood Liaison for making copies. Local maps, pamphlets, etc. are collected from the city and other important organizations for inclusion in the packets. Thanks also to the police department who still provides Celestial Seasons tea packets

ZONING AND CODES BY CAMILLE HOOK — MA continues to demonstrate a need for resources regarding zoning regulations and city codes. There are frequent calls from residents who want information, report bothersome neighbors or need referral to a city agency. MARS (Martin Acres Referral Service) provides answers and resolutions to many questions and disputes through referral.

Sharing & Matching

Ads are \$10.00 for the first three lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter. Contact Jan at (303)494-8285 or VOICE@martinacres.org by **April 1** to place your ad for the **May 2005 VOICE**.

Sliding Scale Music Piano, voice, songwriting, & digital music Lessons. Original music for all projects. Kristina: (303)545-5645.

Dan Richelson **Real Estate Broker** (303)709-2214. Call me if you have any ??'s about Real Estate. No pressure/commitments.

MARY KAY skin care and cosmetic products here in the neighborhood; easy, quick orders. Contact Camille Hook, MK sales consultant (303)947-8043 camillehook@marykay.com.

I Dream of KK Personal Genie Service. Errands, cleaning, organizing, yard work, creative writing and music projects childcare and moral support. Kristina: (303)545-5645.

Lawn & Garden Service I weed, dig, prune, plant, rake, mow, trim, fix things, etc. Call now for help with spring projects or to set up a regular schedule. 20 yrs in business. Andrew (303)245-8903.

Excel Private Lessons Improve your skills! Beginner to Advanced, reasonable rates, free follow-up support. Other computer help available. Mike Stabler, (303)916-1944.

Dan Richelson — **Carpenter** — Kitchens, Baths, Electrical, more. www.aredan.com (303)709-2214 drichelson@yahoo.com. No job too small. Some jobs too big.

Dance classes to be taught by Tom Masterson at the Community Dance Collective (behind Futon store at NE corner of 21st & Pearl in Boulder): TANGO—four Sundays, Feb 27-Mar 20; 5:30 pm. A STEP BEYOND BEGINNING BALLROOM—Feb 27-Mar 20, 6:50 pm. SWING/LINDY/CHARLESTON—Feb 27-Mar 20, 8:15 pm. Cost \$36. Registration (303)499-6363.

Paul Carter Painting Martin Acres Resident, Interior/Exterior, Neighborhood references available! (303)494-5362

Ollar and Son Home Repair & Remodel—Kitchens and Baths a specialty. Carpentry, painting, tile, drywall, plumbing, electrical. All trades. 24 years in Martin Acres. 35 years in the building trades. Call (303)494-5100. Ask for Dick or Josh.

The **Church of the Nazarene** is a small Christian Community that would love to have more neighborhood families join us in worship. We are located within walking distance of most of Martin Acres. On Sundays, Sunday school begins at 9:15, and service is at 10:30 am. For more information, contact Pastor Bob Franz at (303)494-8810

Join us for worship at **Mt. Hope Lutheran Church**. Traditional worship Sunday at 9:00 am. 1345 S. Broadway, across from Fairview High. For more info phone (303)499-9800.

Buying a Home? Need to Refinance? Rates are still Great! Eric Dec at **Insight Financial** - Extraordinary Energy and Exceptional Care for all your mortgage needs. (303)554-9165

Animal Lover?? So are we. **PAW POWER** is a home and pet care service right in your neighborhood. We offer single to multiple visits per day to walk, play with, and love your pets. Going away? We can provide house sitting services as well. Please call (303)946-3190 or email pawpower@fourleggedlove.com

NEEDED Local animal rescue group needs barn homes for feral cats; they are fixed and vaccinated. You must feed and provide safe shelter. For details, call (303)554-0462.

Melissa Miller State Farm Insurance We have outstanding customer service, competitive rates and quality products. Let us help you with your insurance needs. Auto, Home/Renters, Health, Life & Small business. (303)444-1440.

A Touch of Wellness Charlene Thompson offers pet care services, including: doggie day care, boarding, and home made, organic food. She also represents healthcare products: Multipure, Nikken, & Melaluca. Call (303)499-3660.

Natural Curve Builders is a design/build business that has been operating in Boulder (specifically Martin Acres) for six years. We have successfully remodeled nine properties through an innovative and financially viable approach. If you are ready to move out of the box then we may be the right option for you. Contact: Nicholas Emery at 303.641.3933 or nicholas@boulder.net.

Lisa and Wendy, formerly of "Haircuts" in Table Mesa have moved to Studio III on Folsom. (303)449-8360 Bring this in for \$5 off haircut with Lisa or Wendy only.

Get Connected



Subscribe to the n'hood email list by visiting www.martinacres.org

1st Annual Martin Acres Pumpkin Growing Contest

This is for all you competitive gardeners out there in Martin acres... There's going to be a n'hood pumpkin growing contest this year ... a fun event and not terribly formal! Everyone (all ages invited) who wants to enter will grow their own pumpkins and then bring their "best" to be judged at the fall Pancake Breakfast. Several different categories (TBD) will be judged. Suggestions are welcome.

I have seeds to hand out for those that want to grow big pumpkins. I'm creating an email distribution list for those folks that want seeds from me. So please send me your email address if you haven't already. My address is cara.p@comcast.net.



Can you lend a hand?

We need volunteers to help distribute the bi-monthly VOICE newsletter to these areas of Martin Acres:

Area 3 Leader: delivers to the block leaders only. Area 3 encompasses Martin Dr.—Martin Park/School S. Broadway—Ash

Block Leader: delivers to neighbors on 29th, Lashley Lane and Dahlia

2004-2005 MANA Officers

Pres.: Mark Stangl, 303-499-3163, mse@mssystem.com

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2004-2005 MANA Steering Committee

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Area 1A: Martin Dr.—Table Mesa—Martin Park & School S. 44th; Megan Leben, 499-2324

Area 1B: Martin Dr.—Table Mesa—US 36 N&E side S. 42nd; Jim Petri; 303-494-1070

Area 2: Martin Dr.—US36—N&W side S. 42nd; Betty Schweikert, 499-6909, wbschweikert@hotmail.com

Area 3: VACANT—Martin Dr.—Martin Park/School S. Broadway—Ash

Area 4: Martin Dr.—27th Way—Moorhead-Ash; Terry Snyder; 494-9040, Area4@martinacres.org

Welcome New Neighbors!

To learn more about Martin Acres and community resources, contact Allison O'Neill for a MANA Welcome Packet. (303)499-9933 or welcome@martinacres.org.