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NEIGHBORHOOD HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES!

Stop by for tricks & treats at the Martin Park Shelter on Halloween. Fun begins at 6:00pm. Folks of all ages welcome. Hot drinks and snacks. Free pictures. Sponsored by your Martin Acres Neighborhood Association.

PUMPKIN CONTEST!

You've been hearing about a Pumpkin contest at least since April, now you can come see what your neighbors have been busy growing.



Bring your pumpkins to the Pumpkin festivities (oops I mean Halloween festivities) on Monday October 31st. Anyone can bring a pumpkin to be judged—there will be ribbons for all.

All categories of pumpkins will be accepted and you don't have to have grown it yourself. Here are potential categories: largest, smallest, organic, chemical, most hybrid, best decorated, best shape, best color — create your own category.

Drop off your pumpkin around 6:00pm at Martin Park shelter—judging will be at 6:30. Pick up your pumpkin after 7:00pm. We'll take pictures of the owners and their pumpkins and post them to the MANA website.

Toys for Kids Hurricane Katrina Victims

MANA is collecting toys for the kiddos who will undoubtedly have a less than joyous holiday season this year. Please bring NEW unwrapped toys to the Halloween Festivities.

Kudo's galore to the 2005 Pancake Breakfast sponsors and neighborhood volunteers:

The Egg & I [pancake mix, ham, fruit]
Peaberry's [coffee]
Don McGregor [syrups]
Kiwanis [grill]
Boulder Jaycees
CO Children's Auto.
Safety Association

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MANA WinterFest



Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 10, 1-4pm** for a good ole fashion hayride and caroling through the neighborhood. You've seen the camouflaged [or maybe you haven't] army vehicle parked on the west end of Moorhead? That buggy belongs to neighbor Bob who's volunteered to drive us around Martin Acres. We'll meet at Martin Park shelter for refreshments and fellowship and depart from there. If you're interested in helping out contact Jan Clason, jan@martinacres.org or 494.8285.

HELP STEER THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Neighborhood Organizations can be the single biggest factor in determining how their neighborhoods evolve--and some kind of evolution is inescapable, especially as the City of Boulder seeks to redefine itself within a region that has altered vastly in the last 10 years.

The amount of participation determines what neighborhood organizations can accomplish--the more people take part, the more we can take on.

Please consider volunteering for MANA to help steer your neighborhood. We currently have one vacancy on our Steering Committee (Beautification) and we are looking forward to Steering Committee elections at our annual meeting in March.

Frequent opportunities arise for volunteers to represent our neighborhood in city task forces and committees as well. If any of this sounds like it might be up your alley, please contact Steve Clason 494.8285 and he can fill you in on the details.

ANIMALS, WILD & NOT :: The mountain lion found dead in Martin Acres on Sunday, 9/25 is not the first that has been discovered in our neighborhood and is unlikely to be the last. Even though the chances of encountering are rare, it's probably worth knowing what to do about them:

At home:

- Keep yards and residences well-lit at night;
- Keep dogs and pets inside, or in a covered kennel.

When hiking or mountain biking:

- Stay in groups;
- Don't let small children hike, bike or play alone.

If you come upon a mountain lion:

- Stay calm [like that's gonna happen];
- Talk calmly yet firmly to it.
- Move slowly. Stop or back away slowly.
- Do not run.

Raise your arms to appear larger.

If the cougar is aggressive:

- Throw stones, branches or whatever you can get your hands on.
- Do not crouch down or turn your back.

Roughly the same advice applies to bears, if your not inclined to learn two sets of rules.

SPEAKING OF ANIMALS

We've had recent incidents in Martin Park of off-leash dogs causing personal injury to bicyclists and pedestrians. Please remember that dogs are required to be leashed everywhere in the city except for designated dog parks and some areas of open space.

Animal Control frequently writes tickets for off-leash dogs in the park.

ABOUT THE GARAGE SALE

The garage sale in August seems to have been a success, judging from the amount of participants, but we would like your suggestions on how to improve it next year. We already plan to change the date to a week before classes at CU start, but please send any other suggestions to president@martinacres.org.

Neighborhood School Fund-raiser :: Mark your calendars for the Creekside at Martin Park's School Improvement Team (SIT) fundraiser at Cici's Pizza in the Meadows Shopping Center. On Creekside days/nights (1st Thurs. of the Month), Cici's will donate 10% of their sales directly to the school. Creekside will use the money raised to help pay for teachers' requests (extra literacy supplies for their classrooms, donations to help pay for fieldtrips, extra playground materials, etc.). Contact bvsd.cre@bvsd.org for more info.

Upcoming Community Activities for Kids at the

South Broadway Nazarene Church

300 South Broadway (Broadway and Dartmouth)
11:00 am - 2:00 pm — Free

Fall Festival — Saturday, October 29th
Christmas Party — Saturday, December 17th

Puppets, Games, Food, Crafts,
Drawings for Prizes, More
Kids (ages 3 - 11) and parents invited.
494.8810 for more information.

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Sharing & Matching

Ads are \$10.00 for the first 3 lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter.
Contact Jan at 494.8285 or VOICE@martinacres.org by
Dec. 1 to place your ad for the **Jan. 2006 VOICE**.

Pittsburgh, Views in the 21st Century, published & for sale here in Martin Acres for fans of the Steel City. \$18⁰⁰ each Call 494.0898 or Pittsburghscape.com for more info.

Keep your skin healthy & young with Mary Kay skin products. It's not about high pressure & pink Cadillac's anymore. It's about taking care of your skin & feeling beautiful. Contact Camille 947.8481, camille-hook@marykay.com

Paul Carter Painting Martin Acres Resident, Interior & Exterior, Neighborhood references available!
494.5362

Join us for worship at **Mt. Hope Lutheran Church**. Worship Sunday at 9:00 am and / or join us Wednesday evenings for "Church across the Dinner Table" [dinner at 6 pm]. 1345 South Broadway, across from Fairview High. For more info phone 499.9800.

Looking for a **book cover illustrator** -- needs to draw simple figure & facial illustrations against a colored (& abstract) background, similar to a stormy sky. Call 494.0898

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 499.3660.

Mark Stangl P.E., NACHI Member and D-9 contractor is offering **Real Estate Inspection services** for buyers, sellers, and agents. Call 499.3163.

Remodel & Repair. 30 yrs exp. Kitchens, bathrooms, basements, tile, electric, plumbing, carpentry, drywall. From \$25/hr 931.4330.

Portrait Photography. Beautiful expressive portraits of families, children, couples or just you. Special portrait & holiday card packages available. Christina Kiffney Photography 749.8971 or christina@ck-photography.net

Welcome Neighbors!

Contact Allison for a MANA Welcome Packet & learn about Martin Acres history, community resources and ways you can get involved in your neighborhood.

499.9933 or welcome@martinacres.org

Community Calendar

2005/2006 Fiscal Year

Visit www.martinacres.org/events or email events@martinacres.org or call any MANA Committee Member

OCTOBER

Monday, 31st — Halloween Party, 6-8pm, Martin Park Shelter

NOVEMBER

Monday, 7th — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway

DECEMBER

Saturday, 10th — WinterFest Party, 1-4pm, Martin Park Shelter

JANUARY 2006

Monday, 2nd — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway

FEBRUARY

Monday, 6th — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway

MARCH

Monday, 6th — 7pm Annual MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway