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## 28<sup>th</sup> Annual MANA Meeting Monday—March 6, 2006 7:00 PM

South Broadway Church of the Nazarene  
Fellowship Hall — in basement  
300 S. Broadway

**APPETIZERS & BEVERAGES PROVIDED  
BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE**

### Agenda:

- **Vote on bylaw amendment**
- **Elect Steering Committee**
- **Open Mic**
- **Foosball, ping-pong**

**Questions: Steve Clason, 3/494.8285 or  
president@martinacres.org**

### FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup> STUDY SESSION ON CODE ENFORCEMENT

As a sure sign that things have gotten better, the City of Boulder is having a study session on Zoning and Code enforcement Issues at the end of February (the 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:00PM, Council Chambers). Code enforcement issues are things like noise, trash, weeds, and unshoveled sidewalks. The study session signifies improvement because in years past a Council committee met monthly to discuss code enforcement issues.

Although some parts of town have reported this was the worst fall ever for nuisance issues, the general feeling around Martin Acres is that things have been a little better this year than in the past. MANA will be represented at the study session, and some of us are being interviewed by a consultant gathering information prior to the study session. So if you have something you would like Council (or staff) to consider, please pass it along to Mark Stangl or Steve Clason and they will make sure council hears about it.

Unfortunately, no public input is allowed at study sessions, so unless council changes it to a full meeting we won't be able to voice our own opinions.

Every March, for 28 years, the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association has met to elect new officers and committee chairs, to consider changes to our bylaws and to discuss issues worthy of attention during the next year. Any person 18 years of age or older who lives in the area bounded by Baseline, Broadway, Table Mesa Drive and U.S. Highway 36 is a member of MANA. Each member has one vote. We invite you to join us on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM at the South Broadway Church of the Nazarene to continue that tradition. You're especially invited if you have an inkling that you would like to get a little involved in neighborhood activities. We have rarely had enough activists to take advantage of the opportunities for activism, and encourage you to be more engaged, even if just a little.

At the MANA annual meeting March 6 we will be considering a change to our bylaws that would remove the five area leaders from the Steering Committee. With the change, the Steering Committee would consist of the officers and committee chairs only, and therefore of 9 members instead of the current 14. We are proposing the change reluctantly. It's clearly better to have more people rather than fewer making decisions for the group, but two trends suggest that the change will be beneficial.

Although the position of area leader was originally envisioned as an activist position, over the years, maybe for as long as a decade, the role of the area leader has come to be almost exclusively to distribute our newsletters to the block leaders. Most of the area leaders prefer it that way. Since distributing the newsletter is important, we don't want to dissuade people from doing the job by applying pressure that they come to Steering Committee meetings, which most of the area leaders have no interest in.

Also, almost all volunteer organizations in the US are experiencing reduced activism, and MANA is no exception. Our bylaws require a quorum of 50% of the Steering Committee to conduct business, and in the last year we did not make a quorum for several months in a row, making it difficult to disburse funds and reimburse expenses for neighborhood projects and events.

Reducing the Steering Committee from 14 to 9 would reduce a quorum from 7 to 5, giving us a better shot at making a quorum every meeting, allowing us to conduct our business more efficiently. We're not at all settled on making this change and would be very interested in your thoughts. You can contact the MANA President, Steve Clason at 303-494-8285 or president@martinacres.org if you have any thoughts, or just bring them to the annual meeting March 6<sup>th</sup>.

### MANA Annual Meeting Ballot:

#### #1. Amend MANA bylaws, ARTICLE VI - ORGANIZATION, 1.2. Steering Committee:

**FROM** — "The Steering Committee shall consist of the officers of the Association, the coordinators of the standing committees, and the representatives of the Martin Acres areas."

**TO** — "The Steering Committee shall consist of the officers of the Association and the coordinators of the standing committees."

#### #2. Nominations taken from the floor for the following Steering Committee offices:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Zoning/Code
- VOICE Newsletter Editor
- VOICE Distribution Coordinator
- Special Events Coordinator
- Beautification

Area Leaders: [should #1 not pass]

Area 1A:

Area 1B:

Area 2:

Area 3:

Area 4:

# Sharing & Matching

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**South Broadway Church of the Nazarene** will be hosting a community safety awareness program on Wednesday, March 8th at 3:15pm. The program is for elementary aged children. A representative of the Boulder Police Department will be there to present information about "Stranger Danger". A local nurse will teach how to "fight germs". There will also be an EMS volunteer to talk to and an EMS vehicle to see. For more information contact Christina Wineland, children's pastor, at 494-8810.

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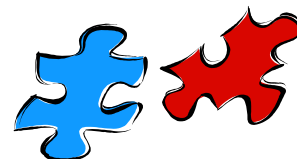
**MANA Annual  
Easter Egg Hunt  
Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup> - 10am  
at Martin Park**

Thank you to Christina Wineland, the new children's pastor from South Broadway Church of the Nazarene, who will be heading up this event. She is looking for volunteers to help provide goodies to fill the eggs and folks to fill and hide the eggs at the park.

If you can help or if you know of a Scout or Brownie troop who might be interested in this community service opportunity, please contact Christina at 494-8810 or at [kidspastor18@msn.com](mailto:kidspastor18@msn.com).



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