



Martin Acres VOICE

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Martin Acres Neighborhood RTD Eco Pass

Due to RTD's strict criteria regarding Neighborhood Eco Passes, approximately 26 blocks in the Martin Acres Neighborhood did not qualify for a pass.

Neighborhood residents and Eco Pass coordinators are interested in finding out why these 26 blocks did not qualify. More importantly, what changes should RTD make to its Neighborhood Eco Pass program? As of now, there is a minimum cost of \$5,000.00 for a neighborhood to qualify as an Eco Pass District. Each block of participating houses **MUST** be contiguous with other participating blocks.

Pass prices are based on route access, census data, percentages of CU students, seniors, and projected business pass holders in the area. The prices are configured to be "revenue neutral" so that RTD neither makes nor loses money regardless of the program's success or failure. From this research it was determined that Martin Acres' costs would be \$128.04 per house.

Information for RTD: The Number of Households Which Subsidized Others Of those 312 households (excluding all vacant homes) that qualified for the Neighborhood Eco Pass, 215 households did not contribute money to the Pass program. In other words, approximately 31% of the qualifying households subsidized the rest.

The Percentage of Households Which Did Not Qualify Of the 1,280 households which make up Martin Acres, only 312 households qualified for the Neighborhood Eco Pass. Therefore, almost 76% of Martin Acres was not able to purchase the discounted pass.

The Percentage of Households Which Already Have Passes Of the 312 households that qualified for the Eco Pass most were CU Student households.

MANA Beat: If you have issues with fireworks, loud parties, occupancy, parking, or noise complaints give one friendly warning. It is best to EEZO or the BPD after that. If you do not take action please don't expect the problems will go away.

Notices of Local Events

MA Garage Sale Date August 11-12. MANA will run Camera ad and recommends that posting signs on Moorhead, Table Mesa, and Broadway really helps. Contact Susan Holloway 303-499-8842 for more info.

West Nile Warning! Please empty all standing water in wheelbarrows, tires, buckets, etc. There is talk of a **Home Tour** to be held this fall. Any volunteers?

We are planning a **special event Monday, Oct. 1** at our usual meeting time, to talk about remodeling, energy audits, solar energy, etc. Please contact Mark Stangl to present or participate. Everyone is invited.

The DVD Video "**HOME STAKERS Livin' the Dream of Martin Acres!!**" was shown publicly 6/1 at the Creekside School. We all really enjoyed it! Great job Scott Allen! For more info contact scott.allen@bvsd.org

Transportation

There is a **Denver bound bus stop** on US36 RTD stop proposed for MA. Location and details are not available yet.

Boulder TAB is looking for citizen input on neighborhood traffic **mitigation** (speed bumps, traffic circles, etc.) on Sept. 10. For more info call Bill Cowern 303 441-3266 or email cowernb@bouldercolorado.gov.

Carshare has a 2nd car available for members parked at Basemar and 2 Pickups for use. See careshare.org

Biking in Martin Acres

Boulder B360 was a success and MA residents participated. During Ride the Rockies 2007 (422 miles!) I saw several MA residents on this grueling/fun adventure. To prepare it's great to be comfortable riding 100 miles, in 100 F, into blowing wind going uphill.



Martin Acres Neighborhood Association Annual Pancake Breakfast

Join us Saturday, September 8th, 7:30-11:00am for the Annual Martin Acres Neighborhood Association Pancake Breakfast at the Martin Park Shelter. Please help us plan by purchasing tickets in advance. Contact coordinator Bill (3/931.3443, vp@martinacres.org) to volunteer or to purchase tickets.



Sharing & Matching :: Ads are \$10.00 for the first 3 lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter. Contact President or email VOICE@martinacres.org to place your ad for the **Next edition of the VOICE**. Payments are sent to the Treasurer

PAUL CARTER PAINTING Martin Acres Resident, Interior & Exterior Neighborhood references available! 3/494.5362

MALONEY BUILDERS 3/562.5380, Basement Finishing, Kitchens, Baths, Decks, Garages, Additions, Architect, Insured, Licensed, MA Resident maloneybuilders.com

A TOUCH OF WELLNESS Charlene Thompson offers pet care services, including: massage, & home made, organic food. She also represents healthcare products: Multipure, Nikken, & Melaluca. 3/499.3660.

ARBOR VITAL TREE CARE Certified Arborist 13 yrs. experience, Insured. Trees & shrubs pruned, removed, cabled. Mulch delivered. Instruction & consultation. Free estimates MA Resident - David Schaldach, 919.8183.

REMODEL & REPAIR 30 years experience. Kitchens, bathrooms, basements, tile, electric, plumbing, carpentry, dry-wall, painting, fencing. From \$25/hr 303.931.4330.

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

PIANO TEACHER back in Martin Acres, across from Creekside! Joanna Lynden, BVSD Music Specialist: classical, contemporary, improv, ear training. Accepting students for the fall. 720.890.8738

Aqua Care - Repair Departments: Heating, Solar Heating, Hot Tub aquacare.biz 303-589-4428

Semi-retired Home Remodeler offering services to Consult, Design, Problem Solve, Draw your home improvement project. Additions, Kitchens, Baths, Decks, Porches, Basements. Very familiar with Martin Acres Homes, with nearly 30 years hands on experience in all trades. Your neighbor, Korba [303] 499 - 1887

Nick's Auto Repair: Family owned and serving South Boulder for over 30 years. Please call 303-499-4300 for your quality auto repair and maintenance needs.

The Watershed School, serving grades 6-12 Please visit watershedschool.org or call 303-440-7520 "The World is Your Classroom!"

Need Computer Help? Call 'The Wiz!' I'm local, trustworthy and can work miracles for you. Repair/Service, Training, Backups, Networking, etc. Ph: 7/365-1815 E-mail: BoulderComputerWiz@gmail.com

Home/Office Cleaning - Scrub-A-Dub Cleaning Services Friendly, Professional, Trustworthy and Reliable. Big/Small Jobs, Move-outs, Move-ins, One time or Scheduled Andrea - 303-641-5028 Scrub-Dub@gmail.com

Full Service Real Estate Listing for any Martin Acres House: \$2500 Includes: MLS, pro photos/virtual tour, showings, signs, price/contract negotiations. Does not include: Buyer agent fee, open houses. Call Dan Richelson at Maven Realty and Property Management, Inc. Managing Broker / REALTOR 303-339-0640 dan@mavenproperties.com

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Zoning and Code News

According to the Boulder Zoning office, if your home has a converted garage you are not permitted to park in the driveway in front of the converted garage. If you purchased your home recently with a converted garage you can get a variance. For more info mail Brian Holmes at holmesb@bouldercolorado.gov

Remember, many home improvement projects such as fences, changing exterior features, etc. require a permit and fee payment. Planning 303-441-1880

Someone? connected with the Center for People with Disabilities www.cpwd-ilc.org has filed a complaint about 75 homes in MA that have trees or plants blocking the sidewalks. Remember to keep your trees trimmed and sidewalks clear.

MANA Calendar :: ALL "residents" (renters, students, and home owners) are encouraged to participate in all events! Meeting held in the downstairs fellowship hall at 300 S. Broadway at the Church of the Nazarene on the First Monday at 7 p.m of each month except as listed. Our 2007 Calendar (subject to change) is:

August 6 Planning for Pancake Breakfast
August 11-12 MANA Garage Sale
September 3, Labor Day, No Meeting
Sept 8 Pancake Breakfast
October 1, Topic: Energy Audits, Radon, Remodeling
November 5, Topic TBD
December 3, No Meeting
Jan 7, 2008, Topic TBD
Feb 4, Topic TBD
March 3 2008 MANA Elections

School Calendar:

CU Starts 8/27

BVSD

8/17 School Begins! 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th, & 12th

8/20 School Begins! Elementary Students

Get Connected, a Lifeline

Email list at www.martinacres.org

For many MA residents this the connection to share information on home repairs and garage sale listings. It is not intended for commercial or business listings. We also share news about wildlife, service providers, recommendations, events and more!