



# Martin Acres VOICE

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## IT'S ECO PASS SEASON AGAIN



Once again, Eco Pass season is upon us. Two districts with a total of 202 houses qualified last year, and we hope that by the time this newsletter arrives on your doorstep, they will have already qualified once again!

For those of you unfamiliar with the RTD Eco Pass Program, an Eco Pass is an unlimited bus pass for the RTD system, including all local and regional buses and the SkyRide. If you commute to work, or go to DIA, Denver and/or Eldora even a few times a year, the pass generally pays for itself pretty quickly. Thanks to GO Boulder, Eco Pass holders also receive a variety of discounts with local retailers, and Pettyjohn's Liquor and Baseline Liquor both offer special discounts to Martin Acres Eco Pass holders.

You can only get a Neighborhood Eco Pass if your block qualifies. To qualify, your block must raise a certain amount of money based on an average per household contribution and sign an Eco Pass Contract with RTD. For blocks that wish to try to qualify this year, please visit the Eco Blog to learn more about the process, and then contact us, and we'll help you get started!

For more information:

Visit the EcoBlog: <http://ecopass.blogspot.com>

Email Us: [Ecopass@gmail.com](mailto:Ecopass@gmail.com)

### TOP 5 REASONS FOR TAKING THE BUS:

1. You get to spend more of your paycheck on wine & chocolate rather than gas.
2. It alleviates the need to feed a parking meter.
3. Traffic lights cease to be so annoying.
4. It's a great way to catch up on your reading. Mother Nature really appreciates it!

**Snow Removal** Each season with so many new residents we like to remind everyone to shovel their sidewalks by noon the day after the storm. Call EZE0 303-441-3239 for help if you encounter snowed over walkways and want them shoveled. They will send a friendly note to them.

Senior citizens and physically disabled persons who are unable to clear snow from their sidewalks may receive assistance through the city's ICEBUSTERS Program. For more information, or to be a volunteer, call Housing and Human Services at 303-441-3157.

From the Editor. The Martin Acres Voice this issue year is a special edition usually published in November. Our next Issue will come out mid January 2008. Those wanting to volunteer for any Martin Acres positions call anyone on the

## Happy Hoildays and Tips if Traveling

If traveling away from your home you can cancel your newspaper delivery and have your mail held for latter delivery. Leave a light on inside with a timer to make it look like someone is at home. Ask a friend or neighbor to watch over your home. Watch your neighbors home if asked.

### Notices of local events and interest:

**A Sound Wall is possible to Reduce Traffic Noise from US36.** The 70 mph speed of cars on 36 from Baseline to Table Mesa is the culprit. Many MA residents find life on Moorhead and in MA is unpleasant due to this continuous din. For years there has been NO action to slow traffic and minimize this noise. We will ask the new Council to address this issue.

**MARS Program . A Guide to Being Neighborly in Martin Acres** can be downloaded from our website!

**Home Tour in May 2008.** We have a plan in place to organize a home tour in My 08. Contact Susan Holloway to Volunteer

**Energy Audits** for \$100 are available from the Center for Resource Conservation. They are subsidized by the City and are normally much \$more. Call Allie Marshall 303-441-3278 ex.24 amarshall@conservationcenter.org

**Radon Testing Equipment** is available for MA residents use. Contact Mark Stangl. My experience is that radon varies quit a bit due to season and local barometric conditions. I recommend two tests. One in the not heating and one in the closed house heating season. Each test should last a week with at least 2 days on outside air.

**Council Elections this Year** After the exciting election season we now have a new council. We now have a resident of Martin Acres serving as mayor of Boulder. Yes our Own Shaun McGrath is the current mayor. He was elected by fellow council members and runs the meetings and serves other official duties working with other local governments and is called upon by the media. Congratulations Shaun!

**Washington School Petition Campaign** The recent effort by the Washington School Neighborhood Association underscores the deep concerns the communities care about schools property and neighborhood development. This seems to be different than what Planning Board and some Council members have in mind for the future of Boulder. We will potentially have a similar issues with the old National Guard Fuel Depot Site on Table Mesa Drive. A redevelopment plan has been proposed but sent back for changes by the Planning Board due to design issues and neighbors inputs.

We received a Presentation from the Office of Environmental Affairs for the city of Boulder regarding a potential **single stream recycling and organic collection** program to your meeting agenda for November 5th. We were asked to comment. Some of use participated in a trial last year. Please send your comments or questions to: Kelle Karp, Office of Environmental Affairs, Administrative Specialist 303-441-1940 Karpk@bouldercolorado.gov

Kipp Nash is running a CSA or **Community Supported Agriculture** program here in Martin Acres and in Boulder. His organization, Community Roots has put in gardens on 31st, 32nd, and Martin Drive this year. He hopes to have more CSA participants and those who share their yard, get a gardening education, free vegetables, and landscaping. The produce is sold at the Farmers Market and CSA and supports efforts to green up Boulder and produce local food. Of special interest this spring are Martin Acre fruit trees and the fruit, and local garden volunteers. Ideal plot areas are at least 600 ft^2 and larger with good sun exposure. Look for Kipp's Voice ad or call him at 303-499-0866.



### Please Bike Safely

Always wear a helmet.  
Get a bright head light and flashing rear blinker.

LED Lights are really bright and use very little battery power. Lights not only can help you see, but help others see you.

**Sharing & Matching** :: Ads are \$10.00 for the first 3 lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter. Contact President or email [VOICE@martinacres.org](mailto: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](http://maloneybuilders.com)

**Danceophile Studio**/Tom Masterson. Ballroom, swing, salsa, tango, ethnic. Group classes, private instruction, wedding dance choreography. 3/499-6363 [danceophile.com](http://danceophile.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, 3/919.8183.

**REMODEL & REPAIR** 30 years experience. Kitchens, bathrooms, basements, tile, electric, plumbing, carpentry, drywall, painting, fencing. From \$25/hr 3/931.4330.

**MARK STANGL** P.E., NACHI Member and D-9 contractor is offering Rental, Real Estate Inspection services for buyers, sellers, and agents. Call 3/499.3163

**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

**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, Peter Korba [p.korba@earthlink.net](mailto:p.korba@earthlink.net) 3/499.1887

**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.

**Physical Therapist-** 22 years of experience with manual therapy. Office located in Martin Acres. Call Rosemary 303-499-4602

**Missing Cat since 7/12/07.** She is long haired gray tabby. Very shy of humans but loves other cats. She ran away from her foster home and is not yet spayed so she may show up with a litter of kittens this fall. If you have seen a stray cat hanging around your house please call 303-499-4602.

**NEPAL CUISINE** - A Nepali, Tibetan & India Restaurant. Lunch & Dinner Buffet. Carry out. Mon-Fri 11 to 3 & 5 to 9; Sat 12 to 3 & 5 to 9:30. Closed Sunday. 4720 Table Mesa, Boulder (in Rudi's old location). (303) 554 5828. Menu at [www.gobanepal.com/cuisine.html](http://www.gobanepal.com/cuisine.html).

**Aqua Care - Repair** Departments: Heating, Solar Heating, Hot Tub [aquacare.biz](http://aquacare.biz) 3/589-4428

**KITCHEN & BATH CABINETRY & DESIGN by L DESIGN** Offering reasonably priced cabinets with no compromises in quality as compared to high end lines. Specialists in small spaces; neighborhood references & tours available. [www.kitchensanddesign.com](http://www.kitchensanddesign.com), contact Lyn @ 3/440-0573.

**Martin Acres Resident Real Estate Agent!** Work with everything from investors to first time homebuyers! Also selling real estate in Central America! Call Sally Anderson 303 931 2677

**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](mailto:dan@mavenproperties.com)

**The Watershed School**, serving grades 6-12 Please visit [watershedschool.org](http://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: [Boulder-ComputerWiz@gmail.com](mailto:Boulder-ComputerWiz@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](mailto:Scrub-Dub@gmail.com)

The **Martin Acres Email List Server** is sponsored by longtime MA resident Cam Marshall. It is for sharing, giving and information. It is not to be used for to be used for commercial, selling or renting homes. Garage sale notices are fine. Free stuff is great. Finding a home for unneeded building materials and household items is great. If you are selling goods we recommend Craig's List. If you want to find a good electrician, plumber, or handyman you can look on the list or joint the list and post your own inquiry. Or if you just need some help. To sign up, Go to:

<http://www.martinacres.org/about/email.php>

**Blog Spots:** Are created by folks who want to share info about MA and are sometimes commercial.

<http://martinacreslife.blogspot.com/> is an informative source by MA neighbor Alfred Sawatzky

Others may be found by Googleing "Martin Acres Blogs"

#### MANA Steering Committee 2007 Election Results

**President:** Mark Stangl  
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**VOICE Editor:** Open

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To email the entire steering committee:  
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#### Contact information for the VOICE Area Leaders

**Area 1A:** Martin Dr.—Table Mesa—Park & School—S. 44<sup>th</sup>;  
Megan Leben [area1a@martinacres.org](mailto:area1a@martinacres.org) 3/499.2324

**Area 1B:** Martin Dr.—Table Mesa—US 36 N&E side S. 42<sup>nd</sup>;  
Jim Petri [area1b@martinacres.org](mailto:area1b@martinacres.org) 3/494.1070

**Area 2:** Martin Dr.—US36—N&W side S. 42<sup>nd</sup>; Betty Schweikert [area2@martinacres.org](mailto:area2@martinacres.org) 3/499.6909

**Area 3:** Martin Dr.—Martin Park/School S. Broadway—Ash,  
Megan Reed [area3@martinacres.org](mailto:area3@martinacres.org) 720.304.0544

**Area 4:** Martin Dr.—27th Way—Moorhead-Ash; Terry Snyder [area4@martinacres.org](mailto:area4@martinacres.org) 3/494.9040

**Block Leader Openings. Block leaders distribute the Voice to their neighbors on their block.**

30th Street - from Moorhead to Dahlia  
44th Street - from Martin to Table Mesa  
lashley - from Ash to 31st Street  
34th - from the whole street

**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:**

**Jan 7, 2008**, Usual Meeting

**Feb 4**, Usual Meeting

**March 3** 2008 MANA Elections

**May 18, 2008** Home Tour