



Martin Acres VOICE

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AWESOME M.A. CELEBRATION!

Invitation: Martin Acres neighbors, please join us for a community celebration!

Saturday, June 6 5:30- 8:30 at Martin Park
(Rain location is Church of the Nazarene on Broadway)

Bring: a picnic ~ chairs/blankets ~ lawn games:
beanbag toss, ladder golf, target toss, etc!

MANA was awarded a grant from the Awesome Foundation and will be providing:

Treats ~ Ice cream & fruit bars

Entertainment ~ Neighborhood talents

Movie ~ "Home Stakers: Livin' the dream of Martin Acres."

This delightful film about our neighborhood was created in 2007 by Scott Allen. There will be several video photographers at the event to collect more Martin Acres stories. If you know the lyrics to the Martin Acres theme song, have a flood story to tell, a retort as to why our neighborhood is fondly referred to as Martin Acres or any neighborhood tales to tell - we want to hear from you.

Please Join Your Neighbors for a Picnic!

Enrollment Update from Creekside Elementary School

Attention Creekside Parents, please enroll your new students. Here are some details to make the process easier. Incoming kindergarten parents probably know that they have to register online at: <http://enroll.bvsvd.org/>. Once they fill out all the online paperwork, they need to make sure that they follow these steps:

- Print out the PDF pages from the Student Enrollment Online form
- Supply a proof of birth date (birth certificate or passport). To attend kindergarten children must be five years old on or before September 30th
- Supply records of updated immunizations
- Supply a current (within 3 months) proof of residency (water, electricity, heating bill or lease agreement) showing service address and parent/guardian name

The above documentation can be brought into Creekside Elementary during the school year. (Creekside is closed after the second week in June, so the documents can be dropped off at the Student Enrollment Center, 6500 Arapahoe Road, Boulder, CO 80303 or faxed to [720-561-5538](tel:720-561-5538).)

Parents, if you have any questions, please contact the Student Enrollment Center at [720-561-5247](tel:720-561-5247) or email enrollment.helpdesk@bvsvd.org.

Neighbors in Action: New Garden in Martin Park

Your neighbors, in partnership with the City of Boulder and the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association (MANA), and with early involvement from Friends of Martin Acres, have designed a new garden for the raised planter south of the pavilion at Martin Park playground. Neighbors donated money, and MANA matched the funds. The garden is scheduled to be planted May 30. The City has supported the project by supplying plants at wholesale prices, decorative boulders and restoring irrigation to the planter. To learn more, or volunteer, visit: <https://sites.google.com/site/martinparkgarden/>

Bridge House Begins Martin Acres Partnership in July

Update from Executive Director, Isabel McDevitt

Ready to Work House and Employment Center opens in July at 4747 Table Mesa Dr., the former Flatirons Solution building. Purchased and renovated by local nonprofit Bridge House (www.boulderbridgehouse.org), this new community will house 48 individuals working in the Ready to Work (RTW) program. RTW is Bridge House's employment program providing paid jobs, vocational training and support services to individuals re-entering the workforce and stable housing. RTW is recognized as a best practice nationally and locally. RTW operates two businesses – exterior maintenance and food service.

Since Bridge House went under contract to purchase 4747 Table Mesa in March 2014, the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association leadership and members, as well as our immediate neighbors, have been extremely welcoming. The input and open conversations we have had were instrumental in our planning. We have enjoyed getting to know you and look forward to more opportunities to participate at community events like the Pancake Breakfast!

Since the 2012 inception of Ready to Work, more than 40 people have graduated to lives of self-sufficiency. Graduates move on to full-time employment with companies such as Whole Foods. The RTW exterior crew has been hired to build trails and repair flood damage by Open Space Mountain Parks and, in 2015, performed more than 20,000 hours of work to improve our community parks and public spaces. Our catering business – Community Table Kitchen – has been hired to cater events with groups such as Rally Software, Audi Boulder, and Citywide Banks.

The opportunity to work with RTW changes lives. Dennis, an RTW graduate and Navy Veteran was homeless in Boulder for 3 years. Through his work with RTW not only did Dennis gain income to support himself, his self-esteem grew tremendously.

"Just knowing that I have a reason to wake up in the morning makes my life is so much better than it was a year ago and I have a huge sense of hope again." By accepting the opportunity to participate in the RTW program, he now has a job with paid employment. With his savings he was able to put a deposit down and move into an apartment in Boulder near the Table Mesa shopping center. Dennis is no longer homeless due to his strength, courage and commitment to changing his life through hard work.

Individuals live at Ready to Work House for a year, working, participating in case management, financial management and vocational development as a condition of residency. Residents are screened, selected based on eligibility for RTW and participate in program services prior to residency. Residents are required to be clean and sober. Residents work a minimum of 20-30 hrs/week, attend classes, pay room & board, and participate in maintaining the building. The property will be staffed 24 hrs/day, 7 days/week by trained management and program personnel.

Questions? Contact: isabel@boulderbridgehouse.org
(Editor's Note: The July 6, 2015 MANA Steering Committee Meeting is scheduled to be at the Bridge House RTW Facility, 4747 Table Mesa. Visit: <http://martinacres.org/updates>

Garden to Garden

DON'T forget the plant drive!

Saturday May 30th: drop off your identified plants at 2835 Elm in Boulder from 9am-4pm

Sunday May 31st: bring your truck and help deliver plants to our neighbors in Jamestown and Lyons
Please call Lois [303.494.8411](tel:303.494.8411) if you can help in any way.

Non-Profit Services Spotlight: Skillshare

SkillShare is a Time Bank headquartered in Boulder, that connects residents to each other and to community service organizations. SkillShare allows the trading of services through the use of time credits (known as TimeDollars) which constitute an alternative currency *based on time* rather than cash. For every hour you spend doing something for someone in the SkillShare community, you earn one TimeDollar. Then you have one TimeDollar to spend on having someone do something for you. Simple, but powerful-- both for you and for your new community. There are Skillshare members in Martin Acres.

TimeDollars create benefits for individuals, families, and organizations by providing affordable access to services and opportunities for giving back. This "win-win" is the foundation for positive community building and social change. Within Time Banking, everyone's skills are equally valued and everyone benefits.

SkillShare New Member Orientations are scheduled for June 1 at noon, June 16 at 6 pm, and June 29 at 2 pm. An All Member Potluck will be held after that last orientation on June 29 from 4 to 7 pm. All events are at Unity Church. For information visit www.skillsharenetwork.org.

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2015 MANA CALENDAR

June 1, 2015 MANA Steering Committee Meeting

July 6, 2015 MANA Steering Committee Meeting

Tentitively scheduled for 4747 Table Mesa

July 14, 2015 Bastille Day Celebration

September 12, Annual Pancake Breakfast

****The MANA Steering Committee meets the first Monday of most months at Church of the Nazarene, 300 S Broadway. For info, visit <http://martinacres.org/>**

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