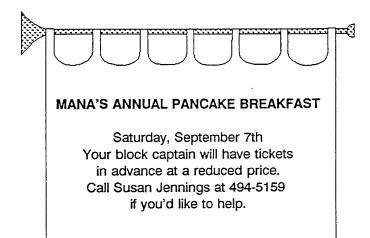
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N.I.S.T.

The 330,000 square foot addition to the present National Bureau of Standards building across Broadway from Martin Acres was given a rhapsodic introduction by its architects to a seemingly unimpressed City Council on June 18. The 1100 foot long building rises to as much as 71 feet in height in an irregular elevation, but revised planning has set it back 800 feet from Broadway (1200 feet from Lashley Lane residences in Martin Acres), which takes much of the sting out of the loss of mountain view from our community. Increased traffic, especially in its impact on Ash Street, remains a major concern

The Federal Government's General Services Administration is charged with design and construction. The GSA is notably and arrogantly unresponsive to local concerns. We believe the only sure way of influencing GSA is through their funding, which is the responsibility of Congress. If you don't like what is being proposed, let Wirth, Brown and Skaggs know.



NOTE: Barb Timblin will provide a display board for business cards of neighborhood residents at the breakfast if she has enough response. Call her at 494-9598 if you're interested.

TABLE MESA DRIVE

The City Transportation Department is going back to City Council to find out what Council <u>does</u> want for East Table Mesa Drive, having been adequately instructed as to what Council <u>doesn't</u> want. Your *MANA* Steering Committee has offered positive suggestions:

- 1. An <u>enforced</u> speed limit of 30 mph. This was urgently transmitted to our new Police Chief, Thomas Koby, who promises that speed limit enforcement throughout Boulder will have a high priority for him. Incidentally, 30 mph instead of 35 mph from Moorhead to Broadway would cost the driver 10.3 seconds per trip!
- 2. Ramped sidewalks at all intersections.
- Pedestrian crossing areas.
- 4. Establishment of bike lanes.
- 5. Crosswalks and signing designed to reduce risk from vehicles to pedestrians and bicyclists.

MANA "ADOPTS" MARTIN PARK...It's official! At its June meeting, the MANA Steering Committee voted to adopt our local, much-used Park. What can you do? Next time you're heading that way, take a bag and pick up a load of trash. And if you walk your dog(s) there, please do your part by toting a pooper-scooper. You'll also be hearing more about local efforts to upgrade planting and playground equipment. Stay tuned.

GREEN THUMB AND BUSY HANDS AWARDS...Let us know about that neighbor on your street who's done landscaping, resodded the lawn, remodeled the exterior of his/her home or some other special effort to enhance the beauty of Martin Acres. Call one of the Beautification Committee co-chairs (names and phone numbers in Officers' Box) by August 1st so that they may take a look at your nomination. Mary and Angie tell us they're taking special note of unusual and creative projects. Winners will be announced in the September VOICE. Prizes will be donated by area merchants.

27TH AND MOORHEAD

Latest news on the 5.24 acre proposed housing development is sparse. There has been no application for a building permit. The developer is said to be approaching the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for financing help. MANA has responded to an inquiry from HUD by pointing out that the proposed development is quite in conflict with the single family residential character of Martin Acres, and is being built in and adjacent to a flood plain. Meanwhile, the Post Office Department is seeking bids for property to build a new postal station. This site was once considered for relocation of the High-Mar station.

ARE YOU THE PHANTOM WEEDER?...Diane Aparasio sends thanks to the anonymous helper who completed her weeding job in the divider at Moorhead and 27th Way. You may recall that through Diane's efforts, the City last fall approved and installed a watering system there. Xeriscape plants were donated by Treehouse Nursery.

GATEWAY TO BOULDER

Acoustic and aesthetic improvement in the Turnpike entrance into Boulder between Table Mesa and Baseline Drives is the purpose of this *ad hoc* committee. Slowly, but in an orderly and rational way, contacts and commitments are being made and/or sought with agencies at City, State and Federal levels, as well as interested private groups, to create a project which can benefit all of us and add to our civic pride.

BIKE LANES ON MOORHEAD

Bicycle traffic on Moorhead is quite heavy, and enhanced by completion in 1990 of the underpass beneath the Turnpike near Berkley Avenue. Recognizing this, the City Transportation Department proposes to create bike lanes by lining the street appropriately. This would necessitate eliminating parking on the southwest length of Moorhead. The City will be in touch with property owners along the street to discuss this proposal.

SUMMER PEDESTRIAN SAFETY TIP... Safe walkways are required by City law and are the responsibility of property owners. Bushes and trees that extend into the sidewalk area need to be trimmed. Broken and uneven sidewalks must be repaired. To report untrimmed bushes, broken or uneven sidewalks, call the Street Maintenance Department at 441-3230.

Also, a friendly word may be the best way to remind your neighbor that his lawnmower needs an airing. You might point out that there's a City ordinance which states that weeds may not be more than 1 foot high. Call the Environmental Enforcement Department if you need to be more forceful.

WATER WISELY Lawn sprinkling accounts for 40% of your water bill. You may want to consider converting to an alternative grass such as fescue, wheatgrass blue gramma or buffalograss and/or redesigning your landscaping according to current xeriscape theories. But, if your lawn consists primarily of Kentucky Bluegrass, you may still save water (and money!) by following this suggested weekly watering schedule for the Boulder area:

April & May 0.7 inch August 1.4 inches
June 1.25 inches September 0.9 inch
July 1.5 inches October 0.4 inch

For example, in July give your lawn 3 weekly waterings of .5 inch each. To measure application, place several straight-sided containers (coffee or tuna cans) in different locations and determine how long it takes to fill the containers to .5 inch.

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STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING—Monday, August 5th, 7:30 pm, at the Childs', 455 South 40th Street.

SHARING AND MATCHING

Ads are free with a \$10 donation to MANA

Call Newsletter Editor Jean Nachman at 499-5941 before August 15 to place your ad for the September 1 *VOICE*

BLOCK CAPTAIN NEEDED: If you can deliver this bi-monthly *VOICE* to neighbors on 28th Street, from Elm to Lashley, please call Barb Timblin at 494-9598.

MARTIN ACRES SLIDING GLASS DOOR: \$75 or best offer. Call Amy at 494-5362.

LAWNS MOWED. 6 years' experience; very dependable; average lawn—\$12. Call Alvin Schurman or leave a message at 494-9095.

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CARTER PAINTING: Interior and exterior painting. 11 years' experience. Call Paul for an estimate at 494-5362.

BEAUTY CONSULTANTS: Let us show you how to keep your skin beautiful in 5 easy steps. Mary Kay also has new and innovative ideas in makeup. Call one of the following for a complimentary facial: Lorraine at 499-0858 or Merry at 494-1435.

WINDOW QUILT: I am remodeling and need to sell a 9-foot-wide by 6-foot-high window quilt for Martin Acres style steel frame window. \$100 or best offer. Call Hank at 494-3765.

HOME MAINTENANCE: Plumbing, electrical, tile, drywall, carpentry, cabinets, and countertops. New projects or repairs; 20 years' experience, 11 years in Martin Acres. Dick Ollar, 494-5100.



