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Neighborhood Garage Sale One person's trash...



Pull out those treasures — plan on selling them at the Martin Acres Neighborhood Garage Sale, **Saturday, August 20**th. Timed to coincide with the start of classes at CU, this will be a good chance to increase your elbow room while our new stu-

dent neighbors stock up on household necessities.

MANA purchased an advertisement in the *Daily Camera* — all you need to do is put balloons on the street corners to indicate there's a sale on your block.

Neighborhood Meetings :: All MANA steering committee meetings are open to the all residents [homeowners, renters, young and the wiser!]. We typically meet on the 1st Mondays of the month from 7-9pm at 300 S. Broadway in the Church of the Nazarene's fellowship hall; see the MANA Community Calendar (over).

Big Shots:: Mayor Mark Ruzzin and Councilmember Shaun McGrath will join us at the MANA steering committee meeting **Monday**, **August 29**th (Please note the special date!) We've asked them to review current issues in the city and to look ahead to what may be coming our way.

There will be plenty of time to ask questions of them and we know both would be pleased to listen to any comments you might have.

Everyone is encouraged to participate (these guys are <u>nice</u>) but if you are shy and have a question or comment, please email president@martinacres.org and we'll make sure they get passed along.

We'll post a summary of the discussion on the email list and on the website.

The **October 3**rd steering committee meeting will be dedicated to a City Council Candidate forum — a great way to get to know the candidates running in the November elections.



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City Codes:: Thanks to Cory Schmidt, Chief Building Official, and Steve DePuy, Code Enforcement Supervisor, for filling us in on recent developments in Boulder's code enforcement efforts at the August MANA meeting.

There is now an online complaint form (with a very long URL): www.ci.boulder.co.us/buildingservices/environment/violation_form.htm as well as an enormous amount of information on what's allowed and what's not and detailed statistical data regarding violations at: http://www.ci.boulder.co.us/buildingservices/df3.html

We hasten to add that talking to your neighbor should always be the first thing you do to address a problem, but if that doesn't work you should know your options.

Welcome Neighbors!

Contact Allison for a MANA Welcome Packet & learn about Martin Acres history, community resources and ways you can get involved in your neighborhood.

499.9933 or welcome@martinacres.org

Annual Martin Acres Neighborhood Association Pancake Breakfast



Volunteers, neighbors, friends and hungry folk — Join us Saturday, September 10th, 7:30-10:30am for the Annual Martin Acres Pancake Breakfast. Like last year, we've kept the ticket price low and hope you can help us plan by purchasing tickets in advance. Tickets are available at the door for \$4.00 each. Children under 2 will be free with a paying adult. Kids 2-10 and seniors are \$2.00 each at the door. Presale tickets can be ordered (& arrangements made to pay by cash or check) via email to pancakes@martinacres.org for a 50 cent per ticket savings. The menu will be the same as years past: pancakes, ham, homemade syrups, fruit and beverages. For questions or to volunteer please contact Bill Flinchbaugh via email at pancakes@martinacres.org or call 931.3443.

A Guide to Being Neighborly in Martin Acres

We strive to find ways to build on our community and have found sharing ideals and goals helps us all get along and builds a stronger foundation.

PARTIES: Great, we like parties, too! Make sure your neighbors are aware of your plans. It is neighborly to invite them to call you if any concerns arise. Caution: city of Boulder issues costly tickets.

NOISE: Unreasonable noise that disrupts another person in their home causes problems...pets, stereo/TV, parties/gatherings, cars, fireworks.

PETS: Unattended pets and barking are not only annoying but violate city ordinances. Please clean up after your pets on other's property and remember the city leash law.

PARKING AND DRIVING: It is illegal to park on the sidewalk, the wrong direction, and within 5 feet of any driveway. Cars parked halfway into driveways block the sidewalk, impeding pedestrian traffic..this is also a city violation and you'll get ticketed.

SNOW REMOVAL: All snow and ice must be cleared from the full width of a public sidewalk next to home property by noon on the day following a snowfall. The owner and occupant are jointly responsible for this removal (even when out of town).

WEEDS AND TRASH: Weeds may not be allowed to grow more than one foot high. Consult the city for xeriscaped yards. Trash must be picked up and removed in a timely manner. Old appliances are a hazard and cannot be stored in your yard.

TREES/BUSHES: Cannot impede pedestrian traffic please keep them trimmed.

RESIDENTIAL OVER-OCCUPANCY: Only one family plus two(2) non-related persons or no more than three(3) non-related persons can live in a house.

We hope you find this information useful. Remember we have no covenants in this neighborhood, as diversity is welcome. We all live together and why not remember the "Golden Rule" and enjoy each other as neighbors.

For more detailed info on City Codes visit: www3.ci.boulder.co.us/comm/codes/

Stop by for tricks & treats at the Martin Park Shelter this



Halloween. Fun begins at dusk for a little after. Kids of all ages welcome I that means everyone from 1-101!]. Sponsored by your Martin Acres Neighborhood Association. If you're interested in lending a hand or foot or whatever, contact Halloween@martinacres.org or Jan at 494.8285. Keep your eye on the martinacres.org site and the MANA email list for more spooky details.

IS IT A GREAT PUMPKIN MARTIN ACRES? OR A GREAT VINE?

Cara Priem has heard from several of the neighborhood competitors and it sounds like many of us are having the same luck growing our unpumpkins. We've got great vines and lots of male blossoms but no pumpkins

Cara's vines accidentally got xeriscaped for several weeks while on vacation so she's blaming the unpumpkins on that. She has seen a few female blossoms coming so Cara's keeping her fingers crossed that she might get some fruit by the Halloween party.

Neighbor Dave has a very sizable pumpkin so there will be at least one pumpkin for the contest.

Periodically check the blog to the latest on the contest and to see how your neighbors are doing: www.martinacrespumps.blogspot.com

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Sharing & Matching

Ads are \$10.00 for the first 3 lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter. Contact Jan at 494.8285 or VOICE@martinacres.org by **Oct. 1** to place your ad for the **Nov. 2005 VOICE**.

Banjo Billy's Bus Tours: Ghosts, crime and a little history. The 80 minute tour of downtown, "The Hill" & Chautauqua is guaranteed to entertain and enlighten. Mention this add for a \$2/ticket discount. www.banjobilly.com 720.771.0087

Martin Acres Music offers lessons on violin, acoustic and electric guitar, and mandolin. 30 yrs experience. All levels, all ages, all styles: classical, bluegrass, fiddling, Irish, light to hard rock. Call 499.3395.

Dance classes taught by Tom Masterson, 5 Sundays, Sept 11-Oct 9: Salsa 5:30 pm, Ballroom 6:50 pm, Swing 8:15 pm. Info: 303 499-6363

For Sale: Continental **Portable Electric Air Conditioner**. Somewhat used, works well. Rolls on wheels, plugs in, vents out window

\$250 or best offer Call Cord at 494.3122

Neighborhood **NerdBoy** is the PC Windows Wiz. Networks, Upgrades, Tune-ups \$85/hr rob@robober.com 554.5665.

SUMMER SPA NIGHTS & **Mary Kay**. Book a night: pampering massage, pedicure, facial and chocolate martini's! Camille Hook 947.8481, camillehook@marykay.com.

Paul Carter Painting Martin Acres Resident, Interior & Exterior, Neighborhood references available! 494.5362

Join us for worship at **Mt. Hope Lutheran Church**. Worship Sunday at 9:00 am and / or join us Wednesday evenings for "Church across the Dinner Table" [dinner at 6 pm]. 1345 South Broadway, across from Fairview High. For more info phone 499.9800.

A Touch of Wellness Charlene Thompson offers pet care services, including: doggie day care, boarding, and home made, organic food. She also represents healthcare products: Multipure, Nikken, & Melaluca. Call 499.3660.

Considering a **Pop-Top or a Remodel**? Need basic repairs or small projects? Call a neighborhood handyman, builder, designer. Money-saving energy-efficiency design a specialty, but all trades expertise. Reasonable rates. 499.3395.

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

Community Calendar

2005/2006 Fiscal Year

Visit www.martinacres.org/events or email events@martinacres.org or call Bill @ 931.3443

AUGUST

Saturday, 20th — Neighborhood-wide Garage Sale Monday, 29th — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway **SEPTEMBER**

Saturday 10th — 7:30-10:30am, Annual Pancake Breakfast at Martin Park Shelter

OCTOBER

Monday, 3rd — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway

[City Council Candidate Forum]

Monday, 31st — Halloween Party, Martin Park Shelter

NOVEMBER

Monday, 7th — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway **DECEMBER**

Saturday, 10th — WinterFest Party

JANUARY 2006

Monday, 2nd — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway **FEBRUARY**

Monday, 6^{th} — 7pm MANA meeting, 300 S. Broadway **MARCH**

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