

# Martin Acres VOICE

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#### OSMP closure of NIST trails.

There have been recent closures of the neighborhood trails on the NIST campus. OSMP says it is responding to NIST requests to close trails due to concerns of security of their property, visitor safety and natural resources.

Following numerous MANAlist posts expressing concern and the desire to preserve this neighborhood resource, the MANA Steering Committee commissioned a MANA Working Group on Neighborhood Trails and approved an expense fund. Martha Roskowski is initial contact person and will guide the strategy. Other neighbors are helping with various aspects of organizing and representing the community's concerns. To help, contact Martha at martha@johnandmartha.net. As of August 16, we were relieved to hear OSMP say that the trail access at the east edge of NIST along Broadway was mistakenly closed. Barricades have since been removed. A community meeting has been scheduled at NIST on August 19 to explain what happened, clarify planned changes for trails in the area, and receive questions & feedback. The MANA Steering Committee appreciates everyone who is participating as a united community to see what can be accomplished to resolve this issue. It's terrific to know there are neighbors with the skills, resources and passion to follow up on the mission to save the Martin Acres Connector Trails. Watch the MANAlist for more information. Join the list at

Thank you Martha and everyone else for staying involved!

BEE SAFE MARTIN ACRES is thrilled to announce that you can now make our neighborhood safe for bees online! Thanks to the Melody Catalpa Neighborhood, who have been celebrating the bee, and Alfred Sawatzky, who has used his IT powers for good, the pledge form to opt in is now live. Go to http://beesafeboulder.com/pledge/ to identify your home as a Bee Haven. There are three levels of pledge:

- 1. No neonicotonoids (neo-nicks) or systemic pesticides in your landscape-- making sure that any plants you bring home haven't been sprayed with neo-nicks before you buy them. 2.No herbicides as well.
- 3.Creating a bee-friendly landscape on your property. Once you've pledged a lovely little bee will show up at your address on the map. How cool!

Include your email address, and we'll keep you in the loop as the process builds momentum. We'll also try to hook you up with a nifty green flag to identify your home as bee friendly. We're hoping to sign up 200 Martin Acre households by 9/30. Let's get the word out!

Also, http://beesafeboulder.com/ has a lot of great info about bees and Boulder. We are so excited to come together as a neighborhood in support of our pollinators. Please join us! Bee Safe Martin Acres beesafemartinacres@gmail.com

**MARTIN ACRES GARDEN CLUB** is an organically evolving group of garden enthusiasts in the neighborhood who meet twice a month to discuss all things garden related, share ideas and knowledge, and just enjoy the community of other gardeners.

Our group is open to anyone in the Martin Acres, no experience necessary, and we typically have a diverse group of gardeners whose interests vary from bee keeping, veggie gardening, urban farming, perennial gardening, and anything in between. We let the discussions evolve depending on the questions or topics that people bring to the meetings. Sometimes we have a guest who will share on a specific topic but otherwise it is unstructured and casual.

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So far we have about 14 people in the group, and attendance is anywhere from 6 to 14. We rotate our meeting place among club members' gardens. It's a fun way to see what others are doing, and it usually inspires discussion. At the last meeting we got a great lesson in fruit tree pruning. So far, we are scheduled through September 28th, and will see how the fall season unfolds to decide our schedule for the remaining season. The winter schedule is to be determined. If you're interested in finding out more information, or to come to our next meeting, just send me an email and I will update you. Also, you can watch the MANA list postings for details. Happy Gardening! kim@kimdunning.com

Garden tip: FALL IS THE TIME TO PLANT GARLIC! It's so easy! Get garlic starts in many varieties from a local garden center in early September. Plant them 12" apart in well-drained soil, preferably in full sun, 4-6 weeks before first frost. You will be able to harvest the garlic heads the following summer. See www.organicgardening.com for more detailed information.

### **BRIDGE HOUSE UPDATE**

One of our exciting new Pancake Breakfast partners, and soon-to-be-neighbor, is Bridge House. We wanted to share a bit on what we've learned about their plans for the building at the end of Moorhead.

Ready-to-Work is Bridge House's employment program. providing paid vocational training and support services and stable housing to those re-entering the workforce. Ready to Work is recognized as a best-practice nationally and locally and operates two businesses: "exterior maintenance" and food service. Bridge House will own and operate 4747 Table Mesa as housing for up to 48 people working in Ready-to-Work. Individuals live there one year working, participating in case and financial management, and vocational development, as a condition of residency.

Residents are screened, selected based on eligibility for Ready-to-Work, and participate in program services prior to residency. Residents are required to be clean and sober. No sex-offenders will be accepted. All residents of 4747 Table Mesa work a minimum of 20-30 hours a week, attend classes, pay room & board, and participate in maintaining the building. The property will be staffed 24 hrs a day, seven days a week by trained personnel. The building will have key entry. No unauthorized people will be allowed in. City zoning permits 4747 Table Mesa for as transitional housing.

Bridge House seeks input from neighbors. An MA advisory group may be formed if there is interest. They operate a Boulder commercial kitchen to teach work/life skills and the professional development that restaurant work brings. They will be assisting with some of the food prep for the Pancake Breakfast. They will be working directly with us at the breakfast, creating and serving food, and meeting all who attend the pancake breakfast. If you have questions, or feedback, email steeringcommittee@martinacres.org

**MARTIN ACRES ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW-** Saturday, Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 to 3:00 & Sunday, Sept 7th, 10:00 to 2:00 at 130 S. 36<sup>th</sup> St. There will be 14 artists & craftspeople, jewelry,

pottery, photographers, crafts and painters in a few mediums and a sculptor using recycled material. We will also have fiber arts and handmade cards. It may be a great place to find an unusual baby blanket or holiday gift, things for your house. This is a celebration of our wonderful neighborhood. Most participants live in Martin Acres and were people Marcia met as a letter carrier. These are amazing connections and stories--Marcia's way to say thanks for all the richness of her daily walk through the gardens, paths, porches of you dear people she served. Thanks- Marcia, former letter carrier)

## GIVE INPUT ON PROPOSED BASELINE ZERO DEVELOPMENT:

The MANA-commissioned Baseline Zero Working Group wants input on what **you'd** like to see happen at the site at the NE corner of 27th &Moorhead. There are a two ways to give input:

- 1. Email us at zerocomments@martinacres.org
- 2. Watch for future notifications through MANA on the developer's plans. We think he may submit a formal Site Review proposal to the Boulder Planning Board for Baseline Zero this fall, we just don't when.

#### **MANA STEERING COMMITTEE 2014**

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2014 MANA Calendar September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2014 MANA Pancake Breakfast

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Friends of Martin Acres - Visit our site at www.friendsofmartinacres.org for more information or contact the executive director David Lorraine at 303-502-7823 to get involved. Friends of Martin Acres (FMA) was founded to bring about neighborly cohesion through collaborative efforts that improve the quality of life in Martin Acres.

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Meeting space can be rented at the Boulder Mennonite Church building, 3910 Table Mesa Dr, for your event. Rates start at \$100. The sanctuary space includes a stage and plenty of moveable seating. Contact the church administrator at info@bouldermennonite.org or 303-443-3889.

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