



Martin Acres VOICE

Martin Acres Neighborhood Association (MANA)

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Welcome to the Neighborhood!

Subtitle: How to be a Good Neighbor

One of the wonderful things about Martin Acres is the great mix of residents: owners, renters, families, students, non-students, and professionals of all varieties.

Part of what makes such a great cross-section of society is work that we strive to be neighborly. This encompasses everything from basic, common sense courtesy to following actual City statutes and ordinances.

Under common courtesy, we try to help each other. If our neighbors go out of town, we offer to shovel their walk and roll out (and in) their trash/recycling containers. If you have a party, warn (and invite) your neighbors. Keep the volume down and end early, out of respect to neighbors. And give them your phone number so they can call you if there's an issue.

Under City ordinances, here's a roundup of some:

*Sidewalks must be shoveled with 24 hours of the end of a snowstorm.

*Tree branches and bushes must be kept trimmed back from sidewalks.

*Lawns must be maintained and neither grass nor weeds can exceed 12" in height.

*All residences are required to hire trash removal service and bring in containers by the end of trash day. Trash containers cannot be overflowing. Dumping of couches and mattresses is illegal.

*City code dictates that no more than three people unrelated by blood or marriage can occupy a dwelling in our zoning. Generally guests staying longer than 2 weeks are considered residents.

*Part of Boulder's noise ordinance states that "disturbing a person's quiet enjoyment of their home" is illegal. This applies to stereos, TVs, musical instruments, parties, loud talking, and anything that disturbs your neighbors. It's a common misconception that it's only in effect after certain evening hours, or that there's an absolute decibel threshold. Neither are true under this part of the ordinance. Exceptions exist, such as construction noise, but even that is required to end by 7 p.m.

*Boulder's "nuisance dog barking" ordinance says your dog's barking can't disturb neighbors. (Lots of exercise and quality time/attention is a good way to reduce barking.)

*Parking. Please encourage guests to park in front of your house. It is illegal to park on the sidewalk or across your neighbor's driveway. And, vehicles parked on the street must be moved every 72 hours or they're considered abandoned by the City.

*All rentals are required to be licensed with the City. If you're a renter, a current rental license should be displayed somewhere on the premises. If not, or to report any unlicensed rentals, call the City at (303) 441-4239. Rental licenses must be updated every four years, with a safety inspection. Rentals are required to meet SmartRegs energy standards by 2019. These are just a few of many items related to tenant comfort and safety resulting from rental licensing. Please report deadbeat landlords, as unlicensed rentals aren't fair to tenants.

It's actually incredibly easy for neighbors to live in harmony if people exercise common courtesy and abide by local ordinances.

Ring in the New Year with MANA!

Save the date: 1st Annual "Bunch of Brunch" New Year's Day celebration!

What: a "progressive" brunch in the 'hood!

When: Thurs., Jan. 1, 2015, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: at six "Host Homes" in Martin Acres (TBA)

How much: Tickets are \$20/adults and \$12/kids under 12. Fundraiser for the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association.

There are two ways you can engage with Bunch of Brunch:
1. Buy a ticket(s) and bring your appetite! Tickets go on sale 12/5/14 Watch for future info on the MANAlist and signs around the 'hood or go www.martinacres.org.

2. Volunteer to be a Host Home, and cook one of your favorite brunch specialties, please contact Lisa Harris (303) 443-4068 or harris.lisamarie@gmail.com. Host Homes & Menus due 11/28/14.

Being a Host Home will involve hosting up to 16 people at your home, in each of 3 different time slots. (There will be 3 "rotations" in this progressive brunch.) MANA will provide three bottles of champagne per house. And you will receive up to \$50 in food subsidy to help defray food cost. This is a progressive brunch, so you're only responsible for one dish.

This is a great chance to share your home and culinary brilliance, and meet some of your wonderful Martin Acres neighbors! MANA will publish a map of host homes to make it easy to navigate the Bunch of Brunch. Thank you!

SoBo Retail Spotlight: Whole Pets in Basemar ***(this column features new retail businesses in the 'hood)***

Whole Pets South co-founders Carol Kuzdek and Llane Grimditch recently opened their 1,000 sq ft healthy choice pet store in BaseMar, between Star Nails and Broadway Wine & Spirits.

Whole Pets is a 100% Boulder owned and operated business, and is not related to Whole Foods. After Carol opened Whole Pets on Valmont St. in 2001 (it's now on Pearl St.), the two women joined up to expand into south Boulder. Llane, who grew up in Devil's Thumb, with many animals, remembers, "We never had a place to go for supplies. It's a significant distance to retail opportunities elsewhere in Boulder. Local retail is necessary for everybody, to decrease auto use."

The store offers locally-owned, healthy alternatives for pet owners, featuring pet toys, grooming devices, leashes, Chuck-it throwers, and all-natural foods and treats. "Dogs and cats need wholesome sources of meat," Llane says. "So we feature raw food, and pet foods without the usual fillers and nutrient-poor by-products. We sell meat from free-range chickens, cage-free turkeys, and ranch-raised beef."

Whole Foods supports local businesses, featuring pet products from Denver, Pueblo, Ft. Lupton, the Boulder Dog Food Co., and Bixbi, a Boulder-based treat. The store hopes to expand, and add dog washing and other services if they can get more space.

Carol says, "I feel like south Boulder, it's almost a city unto its own. I think people down here are looking for more retail to become available to them. I think there's a whole new crop of

south Boulder animal guardians for whom this would be much more convenient.”

Lleane concludes, “Business has been steadily increasing. People are glad they don’t have to drive across town any more for pet supplies.”

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2014 - 2015 MANA Calendar
Dec 1st, 2014
No MANA Meeting in December
January 1st, 2015
1st Annual “Bunch of Brunch” MANA Fundraiser Progressive Brunch
January 5th, 2015
MANA Steering Committee Meeting
February 2nd, 2015
MANA Steering Committee Meeting
March 2nd, 2015
MANA Annual Meeting

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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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