

# Martin Acres VOICE

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## 2015 Martin Acres Pancake Breakfast a success!

On a bright and sunny September 12 morning, 300 of you turned out for the annual MANA Pancake Breakfast. Neighbors and visitors alike enjoyed an amazing array of pancakes, sausage, fruit and the usual array of Don McGregor's "life-changing" homemade syrups of many varieties. This year's pancake breakfast generated \$1,385 total in admissions revenue and donations (before expenses). While expense reports should be available on October's Treasurer's report, it's safe to say that the breakfast remains MANA's biggest single fundraising event. Proceeds from this and MANA's other events go towards neighborhood programs, projects and investments—things like the purchase of new radon detectors for the neighborhood, co-sponsorship of new gardens and community events.

For the second year, this year's Pancake Breakfast was partially staffed with volunteers from our new neighbors at Ready to Work House, the new Bridge House facility. In addition to neighborhood residents - new and old, young and not-as-young - the breakfast played host to many distinguished guests. Among them were candidates for School Board and City Council, and our new City of Boulder Neighborhood Liaison, Amanda Nagl. To see photos of the event, and a list of sponsors, please check the Martin Acres Neighborhood Association website: http://martinacres.org/

A big thank you to everyone who came out to enjoy the tasty food, meet neighbors and strengthen our community. And a big round of applause for those who did all of the organizing, cooking and serving, and setting up! We send particular thanks to our new friends and neighbors at Ready to Work. This is one of the many things that make Martin Acres such a great place to live!

# MANA Tour of Martin Acres Homes! Back by popular demand!

We're pleased to announce that next spring, on the weekend of May 14-15 2016, MANA will again be sponsoring and organizing the Martin Acres Home Tour, as we did for years. We've had lots of inquiries and questions about when we would bring it back, and 2016 is the year!

The 2016 tour theme will be Sustainability. Let us know if your home incorporates some of these sustainability features: Solar (passive solar design, solar electric, or solar hot water); Xeriscaping and low-water, sustainable yards; Grow Your Own Food gardens, Waste Reduction (composting, etc.) or other sustainable features. We'd love to feature your home on the tour, if you'd like to participate!

Sustainable home tours are a great way to get ideas on how to make your home more sustainable, and Martin Acres a "greener neighborhood!" Look for more information in coming months. Send inquiries, or interest to: steeringcommittee@martinacres.org

# **WANTED: Outstanding Neighbor Nominations**

Do you live near someone who goes above and beyond? Maybe someone shovels your walk, mows your lawn, checks on an older neighbor or looks out for the kids? Our neighborhood is full of caring, energetic people who do acts of kindness, big and small, everyday. The VOICE is looking to do a spotlight series on people like this throughout the 'hood. If you know someone like this, please send us their name and a bit about what makes them such a great neighbor. Please include your contact info, so we can get in touch. Send to: VOICE@MartinAcres.org.

# MANA City Council Candidate Forum is October 5

The City of Boulder local election is upon us. At MANA's October 5 Steering Committee meeting, we will be hosting a candidate forum, for Martin Acres Neighbors. We invited all the City Council candidates, and at press time, 13 candidates have RSVP'd that they'll participate.

This is a big election for Boulder, with significant implications for our city's future. With 19 City Council candidates vying for 5 open seats, and a number of important ballot issues, it's important that voters be informed. We hope there's a big voter turnout from Martin Acres residents, regardless of where they come down on issues and candidates.

This year's election is mail-in ballot only. Ballots will be mailed to all Boulder voters on Oct. 13. For more information on Boulder Municipal Elections, please visit: https://bouldercolorado.gov/elections

Our Oct. 5 Martin Acres forum will be an excellent opportunity to hear Council candidates close-hand and learn their views, with regard to neighborhood and City-wide issues. We a e looking for a large turn out and we hope to see a lot of Martin Acres residents at this forum!

This meeting will be like nearly all of MANA's: the first Monday of the month, 7 p.m. at the Church of the Nazarene, SE corner of Dartmouth and Broadway. Please consider walking, biking or car-pooling to the meeting, and bring a neighbor or two.

# Planning for new Creekside Elementary is underway. There is still time to share your ideas.

Earlier this month, Creekside teachers, staff, parents and students had our first conversations with the designers of our new school! Over the course of a two-day Discovery Visit, we participated in activities, conversations and workshops to help the architects and educators get to know our school community and begin to develop a vision for the new building.

One of the pinnacle events of the two days was a Community Visioning Workshop which was an opportunity for Creekside community members to meet the designers, see examples of innovative new schools and share their ideas and hopes for the new building.

There is still an opportunity to share your ideas. We want to make sure all members of the Creekside community have the chance to share your thoughts and help create the vision for new school. Visit the Creekside Bond project webpage at:

www.bvsd.org/CapitalImprovements/Pages/creekside.aspx

and click on the "Discovery Visit" link to view a presentation that was given at the Community Visioning Workshop and share your perspectives with an online form. The form will be open to receive comments through September 25.

The Bond project webpage will be your source of information to keep up with what's happening throughout the project. You can also sign up to receive email updates about the project.

# Reminder: Radon Testing Kits Available from MANA

MANA purchased two new Radon monitors to make them available to Martin Acres residents by loan on a rotating basis for one week at a time. A \$5 recommended donation is requested to defray the cost of the devices. However, sliding

scale arrangements can be made if necessary. To use the Radon detectors, please contact Ron DePugh, 303-494-5650, email: communications@martinacres.org.

For more Radon info:

http://www.bouldercounty.org/env/healthyhome/pages/radon.a

http://martinacres.org/living-in-ma/radon/

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# **2015 MANA CALENDAR**

October 5, 2015 MANA Steering Committee Meeting & **Candidate Forum** 

November 2, 2015 MANA Steering Committee Meeting

\*\*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/

# MARTIN ACRES VOICE CLASSIFIED ADS

Ads are \$10.00 for the first 3 lines, \$2.50 per line thereafter. Contact Voice@martinacres.org to place an ad. Payments: Treasurer, MANA, PO Box 3514, Boulder, CO 80307

Please thank our Neighborhood Advertisers with your patronage!

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Friends of Martin Acres - Visit our site at www.friendsofmartinacres.org for more information or contact 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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Kim Dunning, Neighborhood Real Estate Broker and resident of 20 years. Whether buying, selling, or investing, I can help! Ask me about my 2.5% commission for MA residents. 303-588-6037.

LAWNS & ODD JOBS – I'm a 14-year-old who mows lawns, walks dogs, rakes leaves, shovels snow, etc. References available. Contact Djibril at MANAmower@gmail.com.

# Moms! Dads! Skateboards snowboards service repair. Kids summer skate camps

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Silver Fern Homes Real Estate & Property Management Dallice Tylee 303-746-6765 dallice@SilverFernHomes.com MA Resident and Realtor for 10 years... Ask for references!

Sunflower Preschool Boulder has openings for 2015/2016. Since 1981, we have offered a small, hands-on, nurturing environment, where children can learn through exploration and discovery. Schedule a tour! 303-494-2012. Sunflowerpreschoolboulder.com

TinvMinders Davcare & Preschool is now hiring a F/T or a P/T Position as a lead Early Childhood Teacher or an Aide. Call 303-494-5116 to set up an interview.

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