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THIRD ANNUAL BUNCH OF BRUNCH – Join Your Martin Acres Neighbors New Year's Day!

What could be more fun, and fitting than to ring in the New Year right here in the neighborhood, with delicious brunch food, champagne and lively company? The past two years, Bunch of Brunch has gotten rave reviews, so... we are doing it again! Join us!

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

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

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

How much: Tickets are \$20/adults and \$12/kids under 12. Fundraiser for MANA + Fun for you!

There are two ways you can participate in Bunch of Brunch:
1. Buy a ticket(s) and bring your appetite! Tickets go on sale 12/17/16 Watch for future info on the MANAlist, visit www.martinacres.org. or call (303) 443-4068.

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 12/13/16.

Being a Host Home involves hosting up to 16 people at your home, in one of 3 time slots. MANA will provide two bottles of champagne for each house. And you will receive up to \$25 in food subsidy to help defray food cost. This is a progressive brunch, so you're only responsible for 1 dish. Guests will rotate houses, eating a "course" at 3 homes of their choice.

This is a great chance to share your home and culinary brilliance, and meet some of your wonderful neighbors! You will receive a map of host homes to make it easy to navigate the Bunch of Brunch.

SNOW ARRIVES IN MARTIN ACRES: Here's what you need to know about Sidewalk Shoveling!

Code Enforcement Officer, Georgette Johnson, visited the MANA October MANA Steering Committee, reminding us again of last year's near-record number of violations in Martin Acres. Officer Johnson had some reminders for the neighbors.

All owners or residents of private property must have snow cleared within 24 hours after it stops snowing.

View the National Weather Service reports at: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/data/obhistory/KBDU.html> or contact code enforcement to determine when it stopped snowing. It may be necessary to re-treat your sidewalks multiple times to maintain a clear surface.

Residents on corner lots need to clear the sidewalks on both the front and side of the property, as well as the pedestrian pans leading to the street. The entire width of the sidewalks or a width of 5' is required to be cleared. If abatement is used by the code enforcement team to remove snow and ice, as happens often, the property owner is assessed the cost of the removal plus a \$50 fee. Fines for the first offense summons is \$100 with a maximum fine of \$1,000.

To report sidewalk snow removal violations, call code enforcement: 303-441- 3333. For more info visit Inquire Boulder <https://user.govoutreach.com/boulder/faq.php>

2016 PANCAKE BREAKFAST WAS A HUGE SUCCESS! A great time was had by all at the MANA Pancake Breakfast. Thanks to all of our Volunteers and Sponsors. Please thank these sponsors with your patronage and support.

- **Brewing Market Coffee, Basemar**
- **The EGG & I, Basemar**
- **King Soopers, Table Mesa**
- **Lucky's Market, South Boulder**
- **Sprouts Farmers' Market, Baseline**
- **Special thanks to Boulder Bridge House & the Ready to Work Crew!**

Rat problem increasing in Martin Acres and surrounding areas. Action Needed!

The rat population is growing exponentially in our neighborhood, and with it comes damage to homes and disease. We need "all hands on deck" in the neighborhood. While one resident may be taking measures to control the problem, others do not. And unless we can get a majority of participation to resolve the issue it will just keep growing.

There is a City of Boulder Pest Management Department, with a great resource, Rella Abernathy (303-441-1901). She has created a very comprehensive management guide for residents to follow. <https://bouldercolorado.gov/ipm/rats>

Rats need food, water and shelter. If we can minimize or eliminate availability of these things we can control their presence in and around our homes.

Examples of Food Include:

Fallen/rotting fruit, bird feeders & fallen seed, pet food, pet feces, compost bins (these should be raised off the ground and enclosed), backyard chickens & their feed.

Examples of Water Sources Include:

Ponds & water features, ground-style water bowls for pets or birds, standing water in plant saucers or debris.

Shelter Includes:

Decking, wood & debris piles, open sheds, crawl spaces.

If any of these elements exist in your yard, you may be contributing to the rat problem. These factors should be managed properly or eliminated altogether. For instance, one neighbor reports that she recently noticed her deck is being used as shelter by rats. She is now the process of sealing it along the sides, including running heavy gauge wire-mesh 4-6" below the soil surface to prevent burrowing. She says, "It is a hassle, but necessary."

You can also get help from pest control companies or local handyman services. McGuckins Hardware is a good resource for traps and knowledgeable staff. Do not use live traps and relocate to open spaces. The rats do not belong here. They are not native and create many problems in our open space as well.

Please do your part on your property or contact your landlord for help. Visit the City of Boulder website for a comprehensive plan of action. Or contact a pest control company for help. Do not ignore this problem. It is a major health hazard.

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2017 MANA CALENDAR

January 1, 2017 3rd Annual "Brunch of Brunch" Brunch

January 9, 2017 Steering Committee Meeting

February 6, 2017 Steering Committee Meeting

March 6, 2017 Annual Meeting

April 3, 2017 Steering Committee Meeting

April 15, "EGGStravaganza" in Martin Park

May 1, 2017 Steering Committee Meeting

June 5, 2017 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

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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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Seniors in Martin Acres need volunteers to shovel snow. Contact nonprofit Boulder County CareConnect at 303.443.1933 or visit IceBusters.org.

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!

Stephanie Watson Real Estate - Local Real Estate agent living in MA for 3 years and Boulder for 14 years. Dedicated to taking clients through the buying and selling process one step at a time. Stephanie@stepsre.com/[303-506-2137](tel:3035062137).

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