



EAGLE SPRINGS™ *Newsletter*

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Nov. 30 – Angel Tree for
Dec. 5 HAAM

Dec. 1 – 20 Bright Lights
Contest

Dec. 5 Winter Festival
Town Green

** There will be no committee
meetings during the month
of December*

NOTICE OF CHANGE in Trash & Recycling Company

Both M.U.D. 106 & M.U.D. 290 have recently contracted with new companies for trash and recycling service in Eagle Springs. There is a different company for each service now, rather than one company providing both services.

Many of you may have noticed the information in your water bills or the flyer that accompanied your new recycling bins. We have included the notices from both the trash and recycling companies in this newsletter. We have also updated the Contact Information to accurately reflect this change.

WINTER *Festival*



Saturday, December 5th
2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Town Green

Featuring: Horse Drawn Carriage Rides, "Twas the Night Before Christmas" Puppet Show, AHS String Performance, Petting Zoo with Baby Deer, Games, Crafts and of course Santa!

This year we will be hosting an Angel Tree on behalf of HAAM to help needy families in the Humble area. The tree will be filled with names of good boys and girls that are in need of your help. The tree will be at the Eagle Springs Visitor's Center beginning November 30, 2009 and will be accessible during business hours until December 5th when it will be moved to the Winter Festival. Your gifts can be dropped off at the Visitor's Center during business hours. Please email help@insideeaglesprings.com with questions.

- AND -

Bright Lights CONTEST

Are you decorating your house this holiday season or have you seen other houses with impressive decorations?

Beginning December 1st through December 20th submit your address or the address of a festively decorated house you have seen to help@insideeaglesprings.com. There will be a panel of judges consisting of non-residents and one resident member. Winners will be announced on the community website on December 21st and will be awarded gift cards.

Categories are: Best Decorated, Most Creative and Best Street

CONTACT INFORMATION

EAGLE SPRINGS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Laura Tate - Community ManagerESCA@ciaservices.com

EAGLE SPRINGS COMMITTEES

Landscape landscape.committee@insideeaglesprings.com

Pool..... pool.committee@insideeaglesprings.com

Safety Advisory.....safety.committee@insideeaglesprings.com

Sports Field sportsfieldcommittee@gmail.com

Neighborhood Watch

..... neighborhood.watch@insideeaglesprings.com

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

Harris County Precinct 4 Constable..... 281-376-3472

..... www.cd4.hctx.net

Harris County Sheriff (non-emergency) 713-221-6000

Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept. (non-emergency)

www.avfd.com 281-852-2181

UTILITIES

Water Severn Trent Environmental Services

www.severntrentservices.com..... 281-579-4500

Gas..... Centerpoint Energy

www.centerpointenergy.com..... 713-659-2111

Trash & Recycling

Best Trash 281-313-2378

Residential Recycling of Texas..... 866-516-9805

Telephone- Century Link..... 877-290-5458

SCHOOLS

Humble ISD www.humble.k12.tx.us, 281-641-1000

Eagle Springs Elementary 281-641-3100

Timberwood Middle School..... 281-641-3803

Atascocita High School 281-641-7500

OTHER NUMBERS

Power Outages 713-207-7777

Street Light Outages..... 713-207-2222

Humble Post Office..... 281-540-1775

Poison Control Center 800-222-1222

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HARRIS COUNTY PRECINCT FOUR CONSTABLE'S OFFICE

Contract Activity Statistical Report Atascocita - Eagle Springs

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	SEP 2009	OCT 2009	YTD 2009
Burglary of Habitation	2	2	8
Burglary of Motor Vehicle	3	3	32
Theft from Habitation	0	0	2
Theft of Motor Vehicle	0	0	1
Theft - Other	6	3	29
Robbery	0	0	0
Assault	0	0	7
Secual Assault	0	0	1
Criminal Michief	2	26	44
Disturbance - Family	2	2	24
Disturbance - Juvenile	3	1	30
Disturbance - Other	18	19	178
Alarms	35	38	488
Suspicious Vehicles	15	11	130
Suspicious Persons	7	5	72
Runaways	0	0	3
Telephone Harassment	0	0	3
Other Calls	212	242	1941

*Details can be found on the Safety Advisory Committee's
group page at www.insideeaglesprings.com*

Classified Ads

Personal classifieds (one time sell items, such as a used bike...) run at no charge to Eagle Springs residents, limit 30 words, please e-mail ESNewsletter@insideeaglesprings.com.

Business classifieds (offering a service or product line for profit) are \$50, limit 40 words, please contact Peel, Inc. Sales Office at 1-888-687-6444 or advertising@PEELinc.com.

Have You Logged On To The New Website?

Eagle Springs has a new website and all residents need to re-register at www.insideeaglesprings.com. The registration process is very quick and easy. The website is another place to find information about community events. Residents can also utilize the message boards to discuss various topics ranging from restaurant recommendations to landscaping ideas to lost and found inquiries. You can also access several important community documents via the website including the Modification Request Form and Deed Restrictions.



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Providing outstanding customer service for my clients is my number one goal. If you know someone who is selling or buying a home, please refer him or her to me and I will provide your referral with the service difference my clients have come to expect from me!



If you are working with another Real Estate Professional, please disregard this notice.

Health & Safety

Safety Tips for Holiday Decorating

The holiday season is here . . .and with the holidays comes decorating! The following tips and suggestions will help ensure safety as you get in the holiday spirit.

- Decorate only with lights that have a NOEL or U/L testing agency label. Check wires, plugs and sockets for signs of wear or defects. Remember: If in doubt - throw them out.
- Do not overload outlets and extension cords. Never tie together more than three extension cords.
- Be sure decorative lights used outside are approved for outdoor use.
- When decorating outdoors, be aware of all power lines. Don't work near overhead power lines or anywhere there is a possibility of contacting an overhead power line, either directly or indirectly, with a ladder or other piece of equipment.
- Place Christmas trees away from fireplaces, radiators, television sets, and other sources of heat that may prematurely dry out the tree and make it more susceptible to fire. Make sure the tree has a sufficient amount of water at all times.
- Don't burn wrapping paper or boxes in the fireplace. These types of materials ignite quickly and may burn uncontrollably.



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Helpful Hints

Holiday Stain Guide

Along with holiday parties come holiday spills, creating stains that can be tough to remove. Here are a few general tips to help you survive the stain-prone holiday celebrations.



- **Treat stains promptly** – a fresh stain is much easier to remove than one over a day old.
- **React quickly** – blot up staining liquid immediately with a white towel or paper towel, and remove any excess solids with a putty knife or spatula.
- **Test first** – before applying a stain remover, test the agent on a hidden or inconspicuous area to ensure that it does not damage the fabric.
- **Work from the back** – place stain face down on a clean white cloth and apply treatment to the back of the stain.
- **Use a gentle touch** – excessive or harsh rubbing can spread the stain and damage the fabric.
- **Exercise patience** – repeat treatments may be required for stain removal. Caution: do not dry the article until stain is completely gone; drying will permanently set the stain.

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GOING AWAY *for the Holidays?*

For those that may not be aware, our P-4 Constables provide a FREE vacation watch program for your home as part of our contracted services.

There is a simple online form to fill out. A patrol car will come by and check on your home at least once per shift during your absence. There is a link to the form on the Safety Advisory Committee's group page at www.insideeaglesprings.com.

When it asks which neighborhood/subdivision you are in, be sure to select "ATASCOCITA CIVIC ASSOCIATION."

Eagle Hatchlings

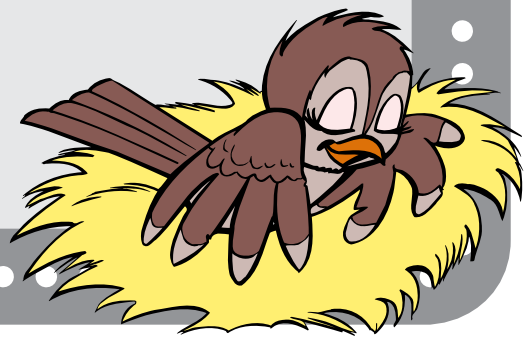
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A MESSAGE FROM C.I.A. SERVICES

Regarding 2010 Assessments

Statements for the 2010 assessment were mailed in November. The 2010 assessment has been set at \$825.00. As a reminder, you may elect to take advantage of two payment options. You may pay in full by the January 1st due date or you may make three payments with the coupons provided. No additional payment arrangements will be approved. You may also pay your assessments online with a credit card or eCheck at www.ciaservices.com.

Please visit www.insideeaglesprings.com for a table that summarizes how your assessment dollars will be used and a copy of the 2010 budget.

As a reminder, payments received after January 31st will be subject to a \$40 late fee. Payments received after February 28th will be subject to a second \$40 late fee. Accounts remaining delinquent will be subject to additional collection action, including deactivation of all access buttons associated with the delinquent property.

Should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact our management company, C.I.A. Services at 281-852-1700. Their office is open from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for your convenience. We are looking forward to another successful year for 2010. With your input and help, we feel we will have another great year!

EAGLE SPRINGS 2010 EVENTS

We Want Your Opinion!

Please complete this survey to be entered into a drawing for one of eight \$25.00 Wal-Mart gift cards.

We will draw eight winners from those who submit their surveys by December 31, 2009. The winners will be announced January 8, 2010, online at www.insideeaglesprings.com.

Be sure to log-on to see if you've won!

You may submit your completed survey by emailing it to HELP@insideeaglesprings.com. Don't forget to include your name, address and contact phone number with your submission.

Please place the following events in order of preference numbered 1 – 15. (With 1 being your first choice, 15 your last).

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|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spring Event | <input type="checkbox"/> Fall Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Fest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back to School | <input type="checkbox"/> End of School Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Craft Fair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garage Sale | <input type="checkbox"/> Casino Night | <input type="checkbox"/> BBQ Cook Off |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nike+ Challenge | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Luau (w/charge) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wine and Cheese Tasting | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Camp Out on Talon Field | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Murder Mystery Dinner Theater | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independence Day | | |

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Harris County MUD No. 290 and No. 106 - Recycling Program Changes

We are pleased to announce that starting Friday, November 6, 2009 Residential Recycling of Texas will become the new recycling pickup company for Harris County MUD No. 290 and No. 106. RRT is very excited to have the opportunity to service recycling needs for your district.

A FEW THINGS YOU CAN EXPECT FROM RRT

- Guarantee that every load will go to a certified recycling center – RRT has no affiliation with any landfill.
- Consistent weekly pickups
- Accept many items other haulers do not allow
- Help for residents with special needs
- Monthly data to show how much tonnage is picked up from neighborhood

GENERAL INFO ABOUT RECYCLING PROGRAM

- Bins will be delivered Sunday, November 1, 2009
- First pickup from RRT will be Friday, November 6, 2009
- Regular weekly pickup day will be Friday
- Service is backdoor
- Please have bins out by 7:00 a.m.
- Please leave lids off all containers – lids can go into bin
- Please rinse all containers free of residue
- Please breakdown any medium to large cardboard boxes
- Please remember we **do not take any type of Styrofoam** products (packing peanuts, cups, plates, egg cartons, etc)
- No need to separate items – everything can go into the same bin
- Excess items can be put in a regular trash can or white / clear trash bags marked with “recycling” and set beside recycling bin
- Please note holidays and mark your calendar – New Years Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas. If holiday falls on a Friday, service will resume the following week on Friday.

ITEMS ACCEPTED FOR PICKUP

- **Paper** – magazines, newspapers, copy paper, computer paper, phone books, junk mail, etc.
- **Plastic #1 - #7 with exception of #6 Styrofoam** – juice, water, milk, soda, detergent, cleaners, Rx bottles (if in doubt please check bottom of container for recycling emblem and number in center – if no emblem it is not recyclable)
- **Aluminum** – any type soda, beer, drink can, etc.
- **Tin Cans** – any food can, pet food can, etc. (no aerosol containers please)
- **Cardboard** – boxes, cereal, food, detergent, pet food, etc
- **Glass** – any color glass (amber, green, brown, clear, etc) must be pure glass cannot be ceramic, mirror, pottery, stoneware or china type items
- **Thin Plastics** – bags from grocery, sleeve on newspaper, wrapping on dry cleaning

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED FOR PICKUP

- Styrofoam
- Computer parts
- TVs
- Batteries
- Medical Waste
- Biohazard
- Appliances

Again we thank you for the opportunity to service the recycling needs of your community. Thank you for caring for the Texas environment enough to be a part of a recycling program. We realize how busy life can get and greatly appreciate the time and effort you take to recycle. We feel certain our service will be above and beyond your expectations. RRT strives for excellent customer service and management encourages you to call with questions, comments or concerns. We can be reached at 1-866-516-9805 or info@residentialrecyclingtexas.com.

Working together we can save Texas resources one home at a time!!

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I am married to Mark Snipp, Broker/Owner of Century 21 Outstanding Homes and the proud mother of a 23 year old son, a Veteran who served as a Sergeant in the U.S. Army which included one tour of duty in Iraq. He is now studying Geology/Geophysics at the University of Houston. I am blessed with 2 beautiful grandchildren, and attend Humble Area First Baptist Church.

I received the Top Flyer award for 2007 and 2008 from Newland Properties for being #1 in new home sales each year in Eagle Springs. Real Estate is my passion; making homeowners dreams come true is my profession. I would be honored to have the opportunity to speak with you about your real estate needs. Eagle Springs is my Community, as well as yours. Neighbors helping neighbors is what it is all about.

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Bring in the holidays with Century 21 Outstanding Homes...

PHOTO WITH SANTA

Saturday December 12th 10:00 am – 12:00

Bring your camera, donate a food item or toy!! Help make a difference!

Benefiting Humble Area First Baptist food pantry & Society of St. Stephens. Call for details!



AUTUMN GROVE COTTAGE

Do you enjoy spending time with seniors? Would you like to make a positive difference in their lives? Autumn Grove Cottage is an assisted living facility for individuals with Alzheimer's or dementia related illnesses. We are interested in volunteers socializing with our residents. Autumn Grove Cottage has just 16 residents and it is close to your neighborhood. If you would like to volunteer in a cozy, home-like atmosphere then call Laura at (281) 398-6845 or visit our website www.autumngrovecottage.com. Come be a part of our philosophy – "To honor our residents and those who love and care for them." Volunteers will need to complete a volunteer application and attend a brief training session.

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TO: RESIDENTS OF HARRIS MUD NO. 106 AND 290

*On November 3, 2009, Best Trash
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**YOUR TRASH SERVICE DAYS WILL REMAIN
TUESDAY AND FRIDAY.**

Please have trash out at curb by 7:00 am each pick up day.

On each regularly scheduled collection day, Best Trash will collect residential refuse located at the curbside. Refuse must be in **containers or bags not exceeding 40 gallons** or weighing over 40 pounds.

Trees, shrubs, brush trimmings and fencing must be bundled in lengths no greater than 4 feet with no branch diameter exceeding 3 inches. The bundling is required to allow quick pickup and size limitations are required to avoid damaging the equipment in the crushing process. All residential waste materials except tree and yard waste must be either in containers, bags or bundles not exceeding 40 pounds.

Items such as appliances, furniture, carpet (up to 1 room, rolled up four feet wide and less than fifty pounds), cardboard boxes (flattened), will be picked up either day. By Federal Law, refrigerators and freezers or any other items containing Freon must be drained of Freon and have an accompanying bill to validate such service was performed.

Items excluded from normal collection are dirt, rocks, bricks, concrete, tires, batteries, motor oil, cooking oil, waste generated by a private contractor or any materials or items deemed hazardous materials. Best Trash will leave a tag explaining the reason for non-collected item(s).

An enhanced feature of the new provider will allow for items excluded by the contract if notified in advance, Best Trash will meet with a resident prior to collection day to determine a price to haul the non-contract items. If a resident does not notify Best Trash of such a special pick-up before its scheduled day, then Best Trash will leave a notice for the resident to contact Contractor during normal office hours before the next scheduled pick up day.

Please do not dispose of gasoline, motor oil, paints, cooking oil, or any other liquid items in a container that is not visible to Contractor personnel. If it results in spillage, that causes a stain, Best Trash is not responsible for the clean up.

HOLIDAYS

When regular pick-up falls on a holiday, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th – Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day, the pick-up will be made on the next regular scheduled pick-up day.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Best Trash, LLC
17820 Madden Rd., Richmond, TX 77407
Ph: (281) 313-BEST (2378)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE

*to Our
Newsletter?*

If you are a resident or involved with a community group or organization and want to submit an article or announcement about an upcoming event you may do so by sending the information to ESNewsletter@insideeaglesprings.com. Please include your name and contact information.

All information is due no later than the 5th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter and is subject to editorial approval as well as available space.

COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

Results

POOL COMMITTEE

Chair - Kendra Hudson
Secretary - Terri George
Treasurer - Open Position
Voting Members - Ken Auenson, Michelle Dueitt, Xavier Henderson, Open Position

SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair - Terri George
Secretary - Debbie West
Treasurer - Gwen McKee
Voting Members - Anne Wallace, Jock Hartstein, Tory Western, Open Position

SPORTS FIELDS COMMITTEE

Chair - Roy Dueitt
Secretary - Open Position
Treasurer - Sean Alley
Voting Members - Heather Pena, Vicky Bernabe, (2) Open Positions

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

(new committee/no elections)
Chair - Ken Auenson
Secretary - Open Position
Treasurer - Samuel Pavlat
Voting Members - Greg Jones, Andree Carr, Sue Lavey, Scott Campbell

There are still a few positions open, anyone interested should contact that committee's chair via email (listed under Contact Information).

We look forward to serving our community.

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SPOOKTACULAR *Fall Festival*

Did you happen to notice something strange in the community recently? If you were out and about during this year's Spooktacular Fall Festival you may have seen pirates, princesses, fairies, pumpkins, and monkeys to name a few. The folks of Eagle Springs came out in full force to celebrate the season. Some of the stand out costumes included the Super Mario Brothers duo, and awesome owl, a very realistic pirate and the monkey from Aladdin!

In addition to some amazing costumes, the festival boasted 350 pumpkins, trackless train, hay rides, petting zoo, crafts, and games. It was a beautiful day and this was by far the biggest turn out for any event. Thank you so much for sharing the evening with your neighbors – you made it a huge success. A great time was had by all - old and young alike!

A big thank you and shout out to the AHS students that volunteered to make this event so successful. Photos graciously provided by Ashley Kesner with Essence Captured Photography. If you are interested in photographing an Eagle Springs event please contact help@insideeaglesprings.com



EAGLE SPRINGS

BABYSITTER TRAINING CLASS

February 20th & 27th

The Safety Advisory Committee (SAC) is sponsoring an American Red Cross Babysitter Training Class for Eagle Springs residents 11-16 years of age. This class is open to both girls & boys.

Classes will be held at the Clubhouse

A Pizza Lunch is included in the cost of the class*

The class will meet on two consecutive Saturdays, for a total of 12 hours of training.

Participants will receive Certificates in Babysitter's Training, Infant and Child CPR and Standard First Aid.

The purpose of this course is to provide youth who are planning to babysit with the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly give care to children and infants.

This training will help participants develop leadership skills; learn how to develop a babysitting business; keep themselves and others safe; help children behave; and learn about basic child care and first aid.

Infant and Child CPR will also be taught.

This is an awesome class, don't miss out!

Class Size is Limited

For More Info please contact: Safety.Committee@InsideEagleSprings.com

Look for upcoming details & registration form on the SAC Group at www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com

* Please note that the exact times and cost for this class are still to be determined and will be in the detailed information listed on the Eagle Springs website as soon as available. We are looking for sponsors to help with the cost of this program. If you have a business or would like to help, please contact: Safety.Committee@insideeaglesprings.com



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Oh Christmas Trees

SELECTING YOUR TREE

- Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches and the needles should not break if the tree has been freshly cut.
- The trunk should be sticky to the touch.
- Bounce the tree trunk on the ground. If the tree loses many needles it's old and a fire hazard.

CARING FOR YOUR TREE

- Do not place your tree close to a heat source; fireplace or heating vent.
- Do not to drop or flick cigarette ashes near a tree.
- Do not put your live tree up too early or leave it up for longer than two weeks.
- Keep the tree stand filled with water at all times.

DISPOSING OF YOUR TREE

- Never put tree branches or needles in a fireplace or wood burning stove.
- When the tree becomes dry, discard it promptly.
- The best way to dispose of your tree is by taking it to a recycling center or having it hauled away by a community pick-up service.

To view a short movie segment demonstrating how fast a live Christmas Tree can burn, please visit the Safety Advisory Committee's group page at www.insideeaglesprings.com where you will find a link.

Lighting Up the Holidays

CARING FOR YOUR HOLIDAY LIGHTS

- Inspect lights each year for frayed wires, bare spots, broken or cracked sockets and excessive kinking or wear.
- Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory.

DO NOT OVERLOAD ELECTRICAL OUTLETS

- Do not link more than three light strands together
- Connect strings of lights to an extension cord before plugging the cord into the outlet.
- Periodically check the wires - they should not be warm to the touch.

NEVER LEAVE HOLIDAY LIGHTS ON UNATTENDED!

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A Season For Sharing - (continued from page 13)

Decorating for the Holidays

- Use only non-flammable, flame retardant decorations
- Never put wrapping paper in the fireplace
- Artificial Christmas trees should be flame retardant
- Avoid Using Lit Candles near the Christmas tree
- Make sure they are in stable holders and where they cannot be easily knocked over.
- Never leave the house with candles burning.
- Never Put Lit Candles on a Tree
- Do not go near a Christmas tree with an open flame - candles, lighters or matches.
- Have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them and make sure they have fresh batteries.

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Keeping Cozy on those Long Winter Nights

The high cost of home heating has caused many to search for other sources of heat for their home. While these sources may be acceptable, they are also a major contributing factor in residential fires. Many of these fires can be prevented by utilizing the following fire safety tips...

SPACE HEATERS

- Be sure your space heater is in good working condition.
- Inspect it annually, before the weather turns cold.
- Be sure the heater has an emergency shut off in case the heater is tipped over.
- Never use fuel burning appliances without proper room venting. Burning fuel can produce deadly fumes.
- Only use the fuel recommended by the manufacturer.
- Do not fill the heater while it is operating or hot.
- Refueling should be done outdoors.
- Keep young children away from space heaters--especially when

they are wearing night gowns or other loose clothing that can be easily ignited.

- When using a fuel burning appliance in the bedroom, be sure there is proper ventilation to prevent a buildup of carbon monoxide.

FIREPLACES

- Be sure the fireplace is installed properly.
- Have the chimney inspected annually and cleaned if necessary.
- Do not use flammable liquids to start or accelerate any fire.
- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace opening to prevent embers or sparks from jumping out and material from going in.
- Don't use excessive amounts of paper to build roaring fires in fireplaces.
- Never burn charcoal indoors, it can give off lethal amounts of carbon monoxide.
- Keep flammable materials away from your fireplace mantel.
- Before you go to sleep, be sure the fire is out.
- Never close your damper with hot ashes in the fireplace. A closed damper will help the fire to heat up again and can force carbon monoxide into the house.
- If synthetic logs are used, follow the directions on the package.
- Do not break a synthetic log apart or use more than one log at a time as they can burn unevenly and release higher levels of carbon monoxide.
- Never discard hot ashes inside or near your home and be sure to use a metal container.
- Check the chimney for cracks or loose bricks.
- Always be sure the flue is open before attempting to start a fire.

Other Fire Safety Tips

- Never use a range or an oven as a heating source.
- If you use an electric heater, be sure not to overload the circuit.
- Avoid using electrical space heaters in bathrooms or other areas where they may come in contact with water.
- Be sure every level of your home has a working smoke alarm.
- Plan and practice a home escape plan with your family.
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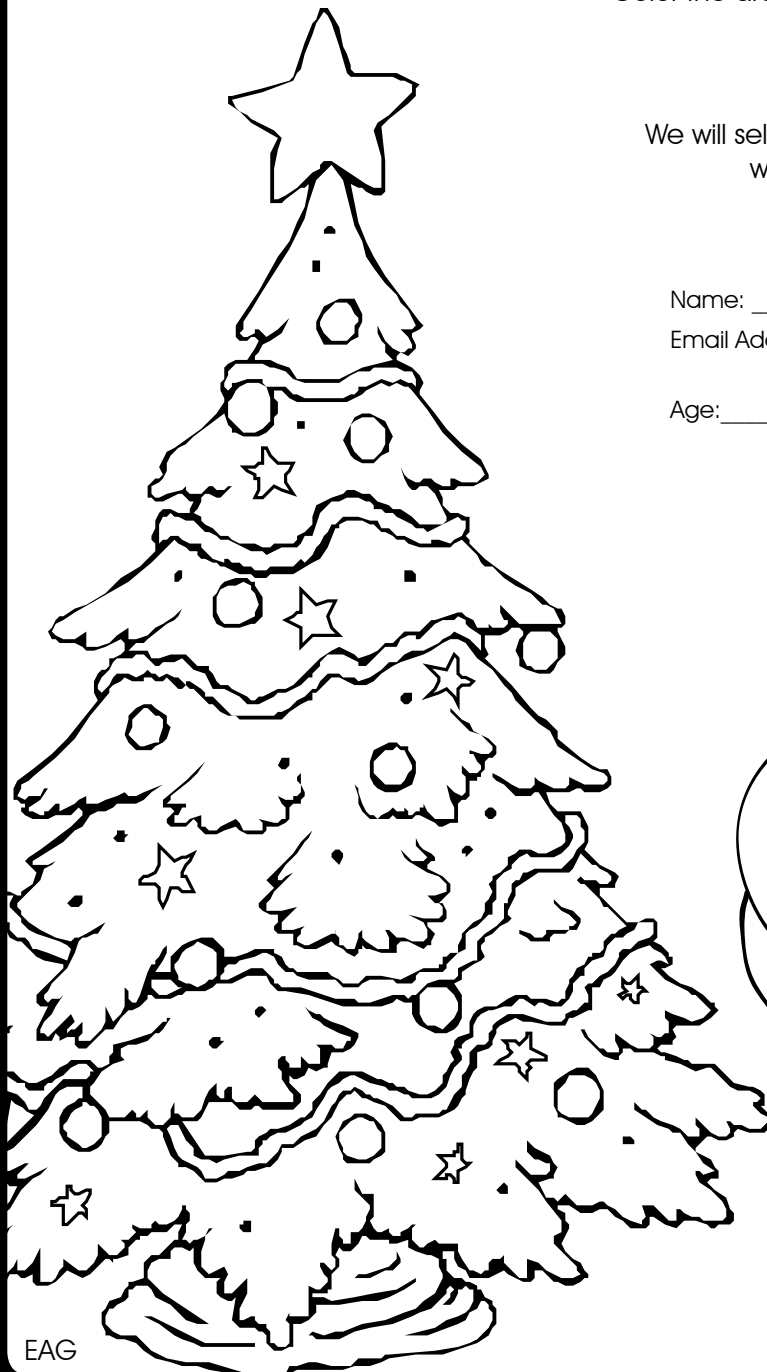
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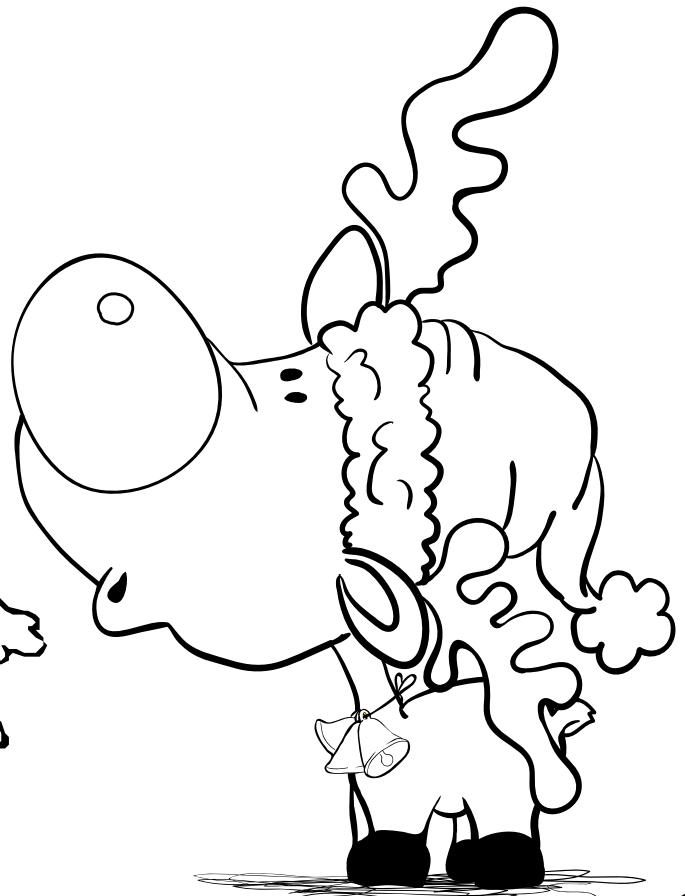
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