



# THE TALON

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### June

#### JUNE 3

Pools Open Daily\*

#### JUNE 5

Rep at Clubhouse\*\*

9 a.m. - 11 a.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 5

*ES Flyer's Swim Meet*

Athletic Club Pool Opens  
at 3:00 p.m.

#### JUNE 7

Rep at Clubhouse

4 p.m. - 6 p.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 12

Rep at Clubhouse

9 a.m. - 11 a.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 14 - 17

*radKIDS* from 8:30 a.m. -  
12:30p.m./Clubhouse

\*Registration Required\*

#### JUNE 14

Rep at Clubhouse

4 p.m. - 6 p.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 15

Pool Committee Meeting

\*No Pool Cards\*

7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 20

*Happy Father's Day!*

#### JUNE 21

Rep at Clubhouse

4 p.m. - 6 p.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 24

Safety Advisory Committee Meeting

7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 26

Rep at Clubhouse

9 a.m. - 11 a.m./Clubhouse

#### JUNE 28

Rep at Clubhouse

4 p.m. - 6 p.m./Clubhouse

#### TUESDAYS

Trash & Recycle Pick-up

#### FRIDAYS

Trash Pick-up Only

*\*Please refer to Pool Hours inside this issue and online at:  
[www.insideeaglesprings.com](http://www.insideeaglesprings.com) \*\* See details inside this issue*

## EAGLE SPRINGS

### Independence Day Celebration

Saturday, July 3rd

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Sports Complex

Parade begins promptly at 9:15 a.m.!

Details of Parade route will be posted  
online prior to the event.

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

### 2010 Graduates!



## AND NEW BOARD MEMBER

### Greg Jones!

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# EAGLE SPRINGS

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TYPE OF ACTIVITY	APR 2010	FEB 2010	YTD 2010
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Burglary of Motor Vehicle	0	11	23
Theft from Habitation	0	0	1
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1	0	3
Theft - Other	6	3	13
Robbery	0	0	0
Assault	1	0	2
Secual Assault	2	0	2
Criminal Michief	0	0	5
Disturbance - Family	2	2	12
Disturbance - Juvenile	2	1	7
Disturbance - Other	11	4	39
Alarms	57	54	226
Suspicious Vehicles	13	18	50
Suspicious Persons	12	8	39
Runaways	0	0	2
Telephone Harassment	1	1	2
Other Calls	274	396	1248

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## Eagle Springs Independence Day - (Continued from Cover Page)

- **Featuring:** Music, 9-hole Putting Golf, Human Foosball, Moonwalks, Rock Climbing Wall, Crafts, Games, and a Foam Pit!
- **Parade:** Parade will begin promptly at 9:15 a.m. Please check online for updated details on parade line up and starting location. Parade route will end at the Sports Complex.
- **Parade Contest Categories:** Best Stroller, Best Wagon, Best Power Wheel, Best Bike/Scooter, and Best Costume.

All entries for the Parade Contest must email: [help@insideeaglesprings.com](mailto:help@insideeaglesprings.com), in order to receive their participant number(s).

Volunteers are needed to help with the parade!

Those interested in helping out for about 30 minutes, please email: [help@insideeaglesprings.com](mailto:help@insideeaglesprings.com).

Refreshments will be available for purchase.

Log onto [www.insideeaglesprings.com](http://www.insideeaglesprings.com) for up-to-date event information.

A collection area will be set up during this event for those wishing to donate to the "Back to School Supplies Drive" benefitting HAAM.

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**Congratulations New Board Member** - (Continued from Cover)

### *New Resident Board Member Elected*

The Eagle Springs C.A. director election was conducted on April 26th, 2010 and Greg Jones from Laurel Woods was elected to the Class "A" director position on the Board. Greg is replacing Maury Hudson, whose 2 year term has just concluded. The community has been very grateful for Maury's hard work as the first resident board member. In addition to Greg's nomination, Jack Frost was also on the slate of candidates. Jack and his wife have lived in Eagle Springs since July of 2009 and they are a great example of volunteerism in our community.

Greg and his wife Julie have been residents for 5 years and moved to Eagle Springs to be near their four grandchildren. Greg has been active in the community as a Neighborhood Voting Representative for the last two terms. In addition, he was an original member of the Landscape Committee and helped develop the charter and identify the new maintenance company at a great savings to the residents.

As the resident board member, Greg pledges to be a good listener and recognizes his responsibility as the voice of the residents. His experience has shown that communication is important to the residents of Eagle Springs and he believes the Neighborhood Voting Representatives are the key to identifying the needs of the community. He also recognizes how important the volunteer committee members are in making this a great place to live.

In his nomination presentation, he identified several areas of focus in his new role. He will make every effort to balance home owner fees with the residents' objectives of keeping up house values and maintaining the lifestyle that brought us all to Eagle Springs. Safety is foremost in his mind especially because of his grandchildren that play in the neighborhood and visit the playgrounds. Fiscal Responsibility, Home Values, Lifestyle and Safety will play a major role in every decision he is asked to make.

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**T**he summer season is upon us, and with it comes a new safety concern: water safety. Here are a few tips from the American Red Cross to help you safely enjoy the water this summer:

- Swim in a supervised, marked area with a lifeguard present.
- Never swim alone. Even at a public pool or a lifeguarded beach, use the buddy system!
- Never leave a child unattended in the water. Stay within an arm's length of young children and weak swimmers while they are in or around the water.
- Take frequent rest breaks where everyone gets out of the water, drinks water, and reapplies sunscreen.
- If a child is missing, check the pool first. Scan the entire surface, bottom, and surrounding area.
- Post CPR instructions and directions to call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number in the pool area.
- Keep toys away from the pool while not in use.
- Always enter the water feet first.
- If you go boating, wear a life jacket! Most boating fatalities are from drowning.



## Helpful Hints

### Helpful Garbage Disposal Tips

**K**eep your garbage disposal clean and running smoothly with these simple maintenance tips:

1. Never allow grease and greasy or fatty foods to go down the disposal or drain. Grease will build up on the interior walls of the pipes, resulting in slow drains and clogs.
2. Feed food scraps into the disposal a few at a time with lots of running water to flush them through the system.
3. Fill the disposal with ice and run a dry cycle once a month to sharpen the blades and chip away stubborn deposits.
4. Don't put anything inside the garbage disposal and let it sit. Acid from the food will cause corrosion inside the unit and damage the flywheel and blades.



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# EAGLE SPRINGS

## *Thank You Maury Hudson!!*

Maury Hudson recently completed a two year term as the first resident board member of the Eagle Springs Community Association. Maury has been a long time resident of Eagle Springs and prior to being elected to the Board he served as a Neighborhood Voting Representative.

One of Maury's goals as a board member was to expand existing committees and create new committees that would meet the needs of the community. During his tenure, the Pool Committee continued to contribute to the overall appearance and success of the pools and the Safety Advisory Committee was revamped with a focus on safety awareness for the neighborhood. Additionally, a resident staffed Modifications Review Committee was formed as was the Landscape Committee. Charters for those committees not governed by the existing documents were developed with Maury's input.

Maury was also involved with creating the Roles and Responsibilities for the Neighborhood Voting Representatives (NVR's). He attended the monthly NVR meetings, provided input and worked closely with the NVR's to help them develop and express their ideas.

During the term, Maury was committed to seeing that the replacement fund balance was growing. This has been accomplished with Maury's assistance in the budget process and obtaining tax exemption status which resulted in the ESCA receiving payments for a portion of prior paid sale taxes.

In recognition of Maury's community service, a tree will be planted in his honor. The Board of Directors would like to thank Maury Hudson for all of his hard work, dedication and effort over the past two years. It has been a pleasure serving with him.

## **School Supply Drive to Benefit HAAM**

Can you believe that school is out and summer is here already? At HAAM that means it's time to gear up for going Back to School! HAAM will be accepting donations of new back to school supplies throughout the summer.

The following list of supplies are needed: Pencils, Pens, Erasers, Markers, Map Pencils, Highlighters, Rulers, Bottled Glue, Glue Sticks, Wide Ruled Filler Paper, Pocket Folders with brads, Spiral Notebooks, Dividers and 2 inch binders.

Eagle Springs will have a drop off location set up to receive donations during the Independence Day Celebration event. For donating directly to HAAM or to make a monetary donation, please visit: [www.haamministries.org](http://www.haamministries.org).

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CERT promotes a partnering between emergency management and response agencies and the people in the community that they serve. The goal is to train members of neighborhoods and workplaces in basic response skills. Then CERT teams are formed and maintained as part of the emergency response capability for their area.

If there is a natural or man-made event that overwhelms or delays the community's professional responders, CERT members can assist others by applying the basic response and organizational skills that they learned during their CERT training. These skills can help save and sustain lives until help arrives. CERT members also can volunteer for special projects that improve a community's preparedness.

CERT teams are now forming throughout the Atascocita area, including Eagle Springs. The Eagle Springs' Team currently has five resident members who have been through the CERT training program. More are needed!

CERT training is designed to prepare you to help yourself, your family, and your neighbors in the event of a catastrophic disaster. Because emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately, you can make a difference by using this training to save lives and protect property. CERT members are typically the first responders to the scene of a disaster and as such, take command of

the situation until professional emergency personnel arrive.

The 8-week course (24 hours of training) covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not readily available. Members are trained in:

- Emergency Preparedness
- Fire Suppression
- Utility Control
- Disaster Medical Operations
- Light Search & Rescue
- Team Organization
- Terrorism Awareness

With training, practice and working as a team, you will be able to do the greatest good for the greatest number of people should a disaster strike, while protecting yourself and your family from becoming victims.

There is no cost for this course. A backpack of emergency and medical supplies is provided to all CERT team members during training. This program is provided to you by Harris County Citizens' Corps and Judge Ed Emmett. ([www.harriscountycitizenscorps.com](http://www.harriscountycitizenscorps.com)) For more information on how you can become involved in CERT, or how to join the Eagle Springs CERT team, please contact the Safety Advisory Committee at: [SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net)

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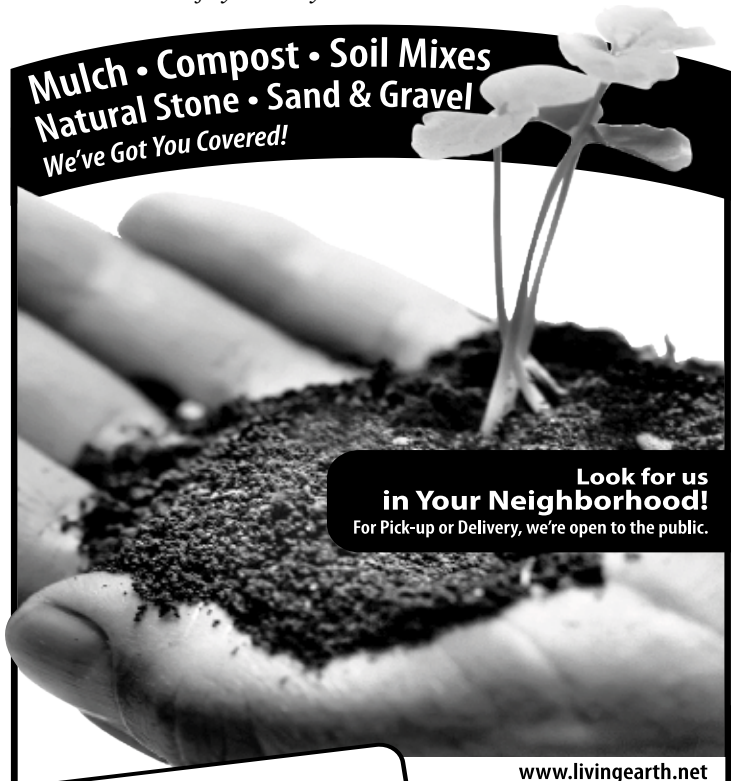
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## Eagle Springs National Night Out Celebration! *Planning Begins Now!*

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- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs, like Neighborhood Watch
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
  - Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back

***Along with the traditional display of outdoor lights & front porch vigils, neighborhoods celebrate NNO***

***with a variety of events and activities such as:***

- Block Parties
- BBQ Cookouts
- Contests, and more

Eagle Springs needs the help of its Neighborhood Watch Participants, Neighborhood Voting Representatives, and Resident Volunteers to make this community-wide celebration a success. The Safety Advisory Committee will be offering incentives this year to participating neighborhoods! *For more info or to help please contact: [SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net)*

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The representative will be able to answer questions, (or direct the resident to the correct person to help them), and will be able to take care of the processing and/or validating of Pool Cards, Guest Cards and Key-Fobs.

The representative will not be able to handle C.I.A. Services issues. All transactions should be made by check; we are unable to take credit cards.

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For more information about the radKIDS program go to: [www.radkids.org](http://www.radkids.org)

**\*Registration is Required\***

**JUNE 14TH - 17TH**

**8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.**

**EAGLE SPRINGS CLUBHOUSE**

For a registration form or more details e-mail: [SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net)

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When your home goes on the market, you are competing with model homes which are de-cluttered and de-personalized. These are two important things you will need to do prior to putting your home on the market. The most important things to most home buyers is curb appeal, living area, kitchens and baths, master bedroom, backyard, etc. Most home buyers only want to know that the home has enough bedrooms to satisfy their needs and that the bedrooms are large enough. In the event a storage facility isn't in your budget, we recommend stacking your boxes neatly in a spare bedroom or even the garage. This does not detract from the appeal of your home in any significant way. Every buyer understands that you are moving because your home is for sale. Getting rid of clutter and making all rooms look as large as possible is a top priority. That is where the home stager comes into play. I do offer to all my listings two FREE hours with a Professional Home Stager.

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We wish for all of our Eagle Springs neighbors, a Great Month and a Great Summer!  
See you at the Pool!

Rebekah Snipp

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## POOL HOURS

*June 3 - September 26, 2010*

Pool Hours can also be found on the Eagle Springs website:  
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### *Athletic Club Pool*

17821 Eagle Springs Parkway

*\*Pool Closed on Mondays for Cleaning\**

Dates	Times	Adults Only
<b>June 3 - June 30</b>	Tuesday - Sunday 11 am - 8 pm	Tuesday - Sunday 8 pm - 10 pm
<b>July 1 - Aug. 23</b>	Tuesday - Sunday 9 am - 8 pm	Tuesday - Sunday 8 pm - 10 pm
<b>Aug. 28 - Sept. 26</b>	Weekends Only 9 am - 8 pm	Weekends Only 8 pm - 10 pm
<b>Sept. 6</b>	Labor Day Holiday 9 am - 8 pm	Labor Day Holiday 8 pm - 10 pm

### *Island Club Pool*

17150 Eagle Springs Parkway

*\*Pool Closed on Tuesdays for Cleaning\**

Dates	Times
<b>June 3 - Aug. 22</b>	Wednesday - Monday 9 am - 8 pm
<b>Aug. 28 - Sept. 5</b>	Weekends Only 9 am - 8 pm
<b>Sept. 6</b>	Labor Day Holiday 9 am - 8 pm

*\*\*Please Note: After Labor Day only the Athletic Club Pool will be open.*

## INTRODUCING OUR 2010 POOL STAFF



## POOL GUEST CARDS

### *Frequently Asked Questions...*

During Pool Card processing there were many, many resident questions regarding guests at the pool and Guest Cards. We've put together a list of some of the most asked questions, with their answers. We hope that this helps residents to better understand the Guest Policy. Please email [Pool.Committee@insideeaglesprings.com](mailto:Pool.Committee@insideeaglesprings.com) if you need further information or have questions that were not answered below. Have a wonderful swim season!

#### **How many guests are allowed?**

- Each HOUSEHOLD may bring up to 4 guests per visit
- The first 4 guests do not need Guest Cards, but they must be signed in at the gate
- They must stay with the resident that brought them, if the resident leaves, so must the guest

#### **What if I would like to bring more than 4 guests?**

- 2 additional guests may be brought in with Guest Cards
- Guest Cards must be purchased in advance, they are NOT sold at the pool
- At NO time may more than 6 guests be brought into the pool by one household

#### **What if I need to bring more than 6 guests?**

- More than 6 guests is considered a "Pool Party"
- Contact Sweetwater Pools for information on Pool Party requirements

#### **How much do Guest Cards cost?**

- \$4.00 each
- Guest Cards are good for 1 (one) entry only

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## Have You Noticed Something New

*At the Pools?*

The ESCA Board recently approved the Pool Committee's recommendation to add a recycle bin at each pool facility. As part of our ongoing efforts to be GREEN, we ask that residents please use the BLUE bins for their recyclable trash items.

Questions?

Please contact: [Pool.Committee@insideeaglesprings.com](mailto:Pool.Committee@insideeaglesprings.com)



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## Pool Guest Cards - (Continued from Page 11)

- The guard at the gate will collect the Guest Card upon arrival to the pool

### How many Guest Cards may I purchase at a time?

- There is no limit on how many you may purchase
- Please remember that Guest Cards EXPIRE at the end of the pool season and are NON-refundable

### Where can I purchase Guest Cards?

- At the Clubhouse during the dates/times listed in the Community Calendar on the front page of this newsletter or listed online in the Pool Committee Group at [www.insideeaglesprings.com](http://www.insideeaglesprings.com)
- At C.I.A. Services Humble office during their dates/times for pool pass distribution (please call them for information on dates/times and any additional fees that may apply 281-852-1700)

### Are Grandparents, or other Guardians considered a "guest" if accompanying a minor holding a Pool Card to the pool?

- NO. A minor must be accompanied by an adult at all times while at the pool
- This does not apply for those 13 yrs. and older
- If more than 1 (one) adult accompanies the minor they would be considered "guests" and must be signed in as such

## KEEPING IT CLEAN

The management company has received several complaints recently regarding newspapers left lying on driveways and in the streets throughout the community. Not only do the papers effect the beauty of the community, it can make you a target for crime. A potential criminal may see the piled up papers and think that this is an empty house. Please pick up unwanted papers in a timely manner and place them in the trash (or better yet, recycle them).

If you do not want to receive these papers, you can have delivery stopped. Please contact each newspaper directly with a STOP REQUEST.

### Atascocita Observer -

- Call: 281-446-1071 or [jclendenen@hcnonline.com](mailto:jclendenen@hcnonline.com)

### Chronicle Kingwood/Humble -

- Call: Jim Newkirk 713-362-7932 or [jim.newkirk@chron.com](mailto:jim.newkirk@chron.com)

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## FRIDAY NIGHT SOFTBALL

It is that time of the year again to dust off those gloves and start throwing the softball because the games have begun! The fields are in good shape, so bring a friend or two and come out and enjoy a friendly game.

Co-Ed Softball games are every Friday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. on Firebird Field, unless there is rain or the fields are wet or muddy. Everyone is welcome to play, all you need to do is show up on the field.

Questions, Comments or Concerns regarding the Sports Fields, Tennis Courts or Volleyball Courts should be directed to: SportsFieldCommittee@gmail.com

## SPRING ~ SUMMER

### *Check List*

After enjoying a longer than usual winter (and break from yard work), Spring has finally sprung itself upon us!

As you know, Eagle Springs is a planned community with landscaping guidelines and deed restrictions we all must follow to ensure the beauty of our neighborhoods. Please take a few minutes to review the following check list to ensure your property is in tip top shape. If you have any questions regarding modifications to your property, planting guidelines or other questions, please contact our management company, C.I.A. Services @ 281-852-1700. Much of this information is also available online, including a pre-approved list of plants and modification request form at: [www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com/DocumentLibrary/CommunityAssociation](http://www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com/DocumentLibrary/CommunityAssociation).

- ✓ Check lawn for weeds (including clover)
- ✓ Pull weeds
- ✓ Weed & Feed as needed
- ✓ Mow & Edge lawn as needed
- ✓ Weed tree rings
- ✓ Replenish mulch as needed
- ✓ Trim trees, shrubs & hedges as needed
- ✓ Remove dead material & other debris
- ✓ Inspect sprinkler systems
- ✓ Remove mildew from outside of home
- ✓ Check and repair fence as needed
- ✓ Make sure holiday decorations have been removed
- ✓ Make sure that trash cans & other materials are stored out of sight

Gardening is a great way to get some exercise, sun and fresh air. It's also a great way to meet your neighbors!

Remember, inspectors drive through our community bi-monthly to check for deed restrictions.



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## BE ON THE LOOK OUT!

During the past several months our community has been a victim of theft. The sprinkler system pressure breaker valves (PBV valves) have been stolen on repeated occasions. The fact is that several areas around Harris County and the country, have been victims.

These valves can cost upward of \$500 each to replace and that does not include the cost of labor. The cost is adding up as approximately forty valves have been stolen this year in Eagle Springs. It appears that in most cases these valves are stolen for their scrap metal value.

We have taken several steps to deter the theft of these valves. Cages have been installed; the valves have been changed to ones that contain fifty percent less metal; and the valves have been painted to make them "dirty metal" which should reduce their value to be sold as scrap.

Most valves appear to have been stolen at night. These are the valves that are enclosed in green wire cages with locks. Please be on the look out for any suspicious person or vehicle messing with sprinkler valves or cages at night and report it. Never approach a suspect yourself! Call the Constable!

Please contact the Constable's office (281-376-3472), CIA Services (281-852-1700), and the Landscape Committee ([landscape.committee@insideeaglesprings.com](http://landscape.committee@insideeaglesprings.com)) with descriptions of persons or vehicles, license plate numbers, or any helpful information.

*Eagle Springs Landscape Committee*

## GRAFFITI

We need your help! As many of you may have noticed, there has been a huge increase in graffiti recently. Our Constables cannot see it all from their patrol cars. Our Bike Patrols catch a lot of it, but they are seasonal and not in Eagle Springs all the time.

If you see graffiti in Eagle Springs while out walking or playing with your children in the parks, please notify the Safety Advisory Committee as soon as possible with the location(s). We can then contact both the Constables and our management company simultaneously, so that coordination for clean up can take place as quickly as possible.

National crime statistics tell us that the best deterrent against graffiti is removing it as quickly as possible. Our goal is to have it cleaned up within 24 hours whenever possible.

The Harris County Constables Office keeps track of all graffiti. They send an officer to photograph the graffiti for their files. This helps them to determine if the graffiti is from any known gangs or what they consider teen "want-a-bees" simply "tagging" property, which is vandalism. These photos also serve as evidence should a suspect be caught.

*Email: [SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net)*

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Any resident may install political signs on their property up to 90 days in advance of an election and until 10 days after an election. For this year's May 4 election, signs could have been placed as early as December 2, 2009, if you started with the March 2 primary election, and remain until May 4, 2010. That is the 101 day protected window. The law does allow a community to regulate signage to a degree, for example, by limiting political signs to one per candidate or issue and restricting the size of the signage. An association can remove signs in violation of their legally allowed guidelines. If you currently have political signage in your yard it is time to remove it so as not to be in violation of the community deed restrictions."

**REMINDER! Hurricane Season is Here!** Is your family ready? Please contact the Safety Advisory Committee if you would like information regarding Emergency Preparedness for your family. [SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net](mailto:SafetyAdvisoryCommittee@comcast.net)

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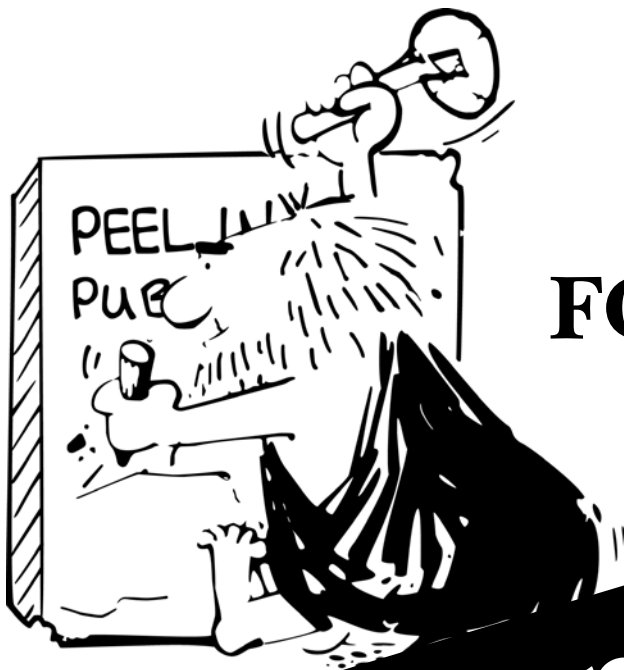
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