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Community Calendar **FEBRUARY**

-2012 -

1Twin Villas Annual HOA Meeting	
6:30p.m. Register - 7p.m. Meeting / Clubhouse	
2Groundhog Day!	
9NVR Meeting	
7 – 8:30p.m. / Clubhouse	
10Scrapbook Club Meets	
12 – 10p.m. / Clubhouse	
13ES Moms & Little Rascals	
Play Group Valentine's Party	
10a.m. & 2p.m. / Clubhouse	
14Happy Valentine's Day!	
14Book Club Meets	
8 – 10p.m. / Clubhouse	
18 Swim Team Registration	
9a.m. – 12p.m. / Clubhouse	
20Sports Field Committee Meets	
7 – 8:30p.m. / Clubhouse	
21Pool Committee Meets	
8 – 10p.m. / Clubhouse	
23 Safety Advisory Committee Meets	
7 – 8:30p.m. / Clubhouse	
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ESCA On-Site Management Hours	
are listed on the Community Events Calendar at:	
www.InsideEagleSprings.com	

TUESDAYSTrash & Recycle

FRIDAYS.....Trash Only





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December 2011

Crime Statistics

Burglary of a Habitation	1
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (BMV)	
Theft from a Habitation	
Theft of Motor Vehicle	
Theft Other	
Robbery	
Assault	
Sexual Assault	
Criminal Mischief	
Disturbance Family	1
Disturbance Juvenile	
Disturbance Other	
Alarms	
Suspicious Vehicles	
Suspicious Persons	
Runaways	3
Telephone Harassment	
Other Calls	

A detailed version of Crime Stats for Eagle Springs can be viewed at: www.InsideEagleSprings.com; click on the Groups Tab; then Safety Advisory Committee, they are located under the Files Menu. They are also available under the Neighborhood Watch tab. You must be logged in as a registered user to access this information.

REMINDER! - NO PETS

Pets are not allowed at community events, on the baseball fields, or inside the tennis courts, with the exception of guide dogs or pets that are actual participants of an event. This is to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all residents in our community. As a courtesy to your neighbors and fellow residents, please remember to pick up after your pet!

Your cooperation is appreciated!

It's February... Are Your Lights Still Up?

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7o Eagle Springs...

It's February and we are close to 2 months into winter. January was a big month for homeowners listing homes! The spring selling season is just around the corner! We have seen an uptick in Buyers putting contracts on homes that started in the later part of December and has continued through January. Atascocita and Eagle Springs are fast growing and a perfect place to be due to its proximity to the airport, and a short commute to The Woodlands shopping, downtown, and the ship channel.

There are many reasons people consider selling a home. Whether you're thinking of upgrading, downsizing, or simply making a change, you may be wondering if the timing is right.

HERE ARE REASONS WHY THIS MAY BE A GOOD TIME TO PUT YOUR HOME ON THE MARKET:

- Record-low interest rates motivate buyers to act on their desire to purchase a home and give them more purchasing power.
- Individuals and businesses continue to move to Texas, and this ongoing population growth feeds a strong demand for housing.

RECENT REAL ESTATE CHANGES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST TO YOU:

- Home Owners Associations are now requiring resale certificates before you can sell
 your home. There is a fee that must now be paid that is a Buyers expense. This fee
 must be paid and an HOA inspection done before the closing. If you have questions
 on this ask us about it and we will be happy to explain.
- The lease market has been hot! Landlords need to know that there are mandatory requirements for every lease home. This concerns locks, smoke detectors, and other changes. These requirements need to be complied with if you own a lease home occupied by a tenant. Landlords must comply as it is the law!

My experience includes personally handling over 400 transactions since October 2002 totaling over \$70 Million in sales. I realize you have a choice, so I appreciate the opportunity to provide service to you!

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Sgt. Bloomfield, Harris County P-4 Constable

Many of you I have met during my first year as the Patrol Supervisor assigned to the Eagle Springs Community but for those of you who I have not yet met, my name is Sgt. Charles "Chuck" Bloomfield with the Harris County Constables Office Pct 4. The Deputies and I look forward to assisting you in maintaining the continued safety and security of Eagle Springs. I encourage you as citizens to assist your local law enforcement by contacting the Harris County Constable Office Pct 4 Dispatch line at (281) 376-3472 to report any illicit or questionable activity within the Eagle Springs Community.

This month I have included an excerpt from the U.S. FBI national web site addressing concerns of Child Internet Predators. This one's been around before, but one that bears repeating.

Following is a list of potential clues and behaviors that may indicate that your child may be at risk online:

- Your child spends large amounts of time on-line, especially at night.
- You find pornography on your child's computer.
- Your child receives phone calls from men you don't know or is making calls, sometimes long distance, to numbers you don't recognize.
- Your child receives mail, gifts, or packages from someone you don't know.
- Your child turns the computer monitor off or quickly changes the screen on the monitor when you come into the room.
- Your child becomes withdrawn from the family.
- Your child is using an on-line account belonging to someone else.

What should you do if you suspect your child is communicating with a sexual predator online?

- Consider talking openly with your child about your suspicions. Tell them about the dangers of computer-sex offenders.
- Review what is on your child's computer. If you don't know how, ask a
 friend, coworker, relative, or other knowledgeable person. Pornography
 or any kind of sexual communication can be a warning sign.

- Use the Caller ID service to determine who is calling your child.
 Most telephone companies that offer Caller ID also offer a service
 that allows you to block your number from appearing on someone
 else's Caller ID. Telephone companies also offer an additional service
 feature that rejects incoming calls that you block. This rejection
 feature prevents computer-sex offenders or anyone else from calling
 your home anonymously.
- Devices can be purchased that show telephone numbers that have been dialed from your home phone. Additionally, the last number called from your home phone can be retrieved provided that the telephone is equipped with a redial feature. You will also need a telephone pager to complete this retrieval.
- This is done using a numeric-display pager and another phone that is on the same line as the first phone with the redial feature. Using the two phones and the pager, a call is placed from the second phone to the pager. When the paging terminal beeps for you to enter a telephone number, you press the redial button on the first (or suspect) phone. The last number called from that phone will then be displayed on the pager.
- Monitor your child's access to all types of live electronic communications (i.e., chat rooms, instant messages, Internet Relay Chat, etc.), and monitor your child's e-mail. Computer-sex offenders almost always meet potential victims via chat rooms. After meeting a child on-line, they will continue to communicate electronically often via e-mail.

Should any of the following situations arise in your household, via the Internet or on-line service, you should immediately contact your local law enforcement agency.

- Your child or anyone in the household has received child pornography;
- Your child has been sexually solicited by someone who knows that your child is under 18 years of age;
- Your child has received sexually explicit images from someone that knows your child is under the age of 18.

If one of these scenarios occurs, keep the computer turned off in order to preserve any evidence for future law enforcement use. Unless directed to do so by the law enforcement agency, you should not attempt to copy any of the images and/or text found on the computer.



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- New Construction Single Family home starts are expected to rise 10 percent in Houston this year.
- Resales of Single Family homes predicted to increase at least 10 percent over last year.

2011 was one of the best years in past 14 years of my real estate career. I am looking forward to a even better 2012. If you are thinking or know of anyone thinking of buying or selling their home in 2012 would love to give you a free market analysis or consultation. May everyone have their best year ever in 2012.





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Is Organic Composting Too Much Trouble?

Every kitchen in Eagle Springs has the same issue, what to do with all those kitchen scraps... You know, orange peels, the ends of carrots, potato peelings, stale bread, etc. What do most of us do? We push

them down the garbage disposal. When you run solids through the garbage disposal attached to your sink, the solids are ground up so they can be easily rinsed down the drain and out to your sewer line just like the dishwater you drain from your sink.

So, what happens to this stuff? It goes to water treatment plants, where the solids are carefully filtered out with settlement tanks and expensive water filtration treatments. Then the solids are either burned or added to our land- fill problem.

So, you might ask, what's the problem with that? The problem in a nutshell is that this stuff is pure gold for your garden and landscaping. If you simply add those peelings and apple cores to a simple backyard compost pile, the beautiful sweet smelling compost that comes out of the bottom is like giving your landscaping plants gourmet food! No fertilizer is as beneficial to plants as organic compost!

So How Can I Compost Here In Eagle Springs? Most of us have relatively small backyards, yet it is pretty easy to place a small black plastic compost bin somewhere along the fence in the backyard. There are lots of choices of pre-made black heavy plastic compost bins available at Home Depot,

Lowes, etc. Most of these are about 2' to 3' square and have lids on the top and doors on the bottom sides.

Or, you can make your own quite easily... (look for ideas on the internet). You simply place one of

these compost bins on the ground and start adding your yard clippings, kitchen scraps, etc. to the top. You want to try to keep a balance between dry materials like leaves and grass clippings and wet materials like potato peelings and kitchen scraps. We add some water once in a while if it looks too dry. It's also good to turn it over inside a little with a small pitchfork or compost tool. The result is rich black compost that you simply spread among your bushes, shrubs and landscaping. You won't believe the results of a small amount of compost added to your landscaping!

What should NOT be added to the Compost Bin? No meat, poultry or bones of any kind. Nothing containing a lot of fat, like the drippings from your favorite roast... No eggs, although eggshells work fine.

By adopting a simple compost program, you have saved the environment significant disposal costs and have beautified your landscaping for free! Such a simple "green" thing that all of us can do!





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Breakthroughs every day

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Lakeside United Methodist Church Breaks Ground!

The Lakeside United Methodist Church congregation celebrated on Sunday, December 11, 2011, the groundbreaking of its new 8,700 square foot building, which is included in Phase 1 of the project slated to start in January 2012. The new church building will be located in Summerwood at the corner of West Lake Houston Parkway and Broncroft.

"Our church has been blessed by this community over the past three years," said Lakeside UMC Pastor Stephen Rhoads. "Our new building will be one of our greatest tools to help us share the love and hope of Jesus Christ to the people of Eagle Springs, Fall Creek, Summerwood, and surrounding neighborhoods.

"The multi-purpose building will include worship space to seat about 300 people;



six classrooms to accommodate nursery, pre-school, elementary, youth and adult programs; office space; a small kitchen; and a reception area. Phase 1, scheduled to be complete in August, 2012, is designed to be incorporated into a larger building with additional classrooms, offices, and fellowship and worship spaces. Significant consideration has gone into the Phase 1 design to minimize rework and cost in future building construction. The total cost of Phase 1 is \$1.8 million.

ABOUT LAKESIDE

The church currently meets at Eagle Springs Elementary and has grown from three (Stephen, his wife, and daughter) to 224 members in just three years. A blended traditional and contemporary worship service is offered with a second service being added in the New Year. Children's programs for infants through

elementary ages, as well as junior and senior high youth activities are also available. Small groups and Bible studies for men, women and couples of all ages are hosted throughout the week to accommodate family schedules. Ministry outreach opportunities are always available for Lakeside and its members to serve and share their faith.

For more information on Lakeside United Methodist Church and its building plans, visit www.thelakesideumc.org.

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Neighborhood Groups

DID YOU KNOW THAT EAGLE SPRINGS HAS SEVERAL NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS?

There's always something going on in our neck of the woods...

EAGLE SPRINGS MOMS & LITTLE RASCALS PLAY GROUP

Valentine's Parties | Monday – February 13th | at the Clubhouse 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Mom's are holding two parties to accommodate all the Little Rascals! *Contact: Jamie Porter for details – jlwporter@hotmail.com*

EAGLE SPRINGS SCRAPBOOKING CLUB MONTHLY SCRAP SESSION

Friday – February 10th | 12 Noon ~ 10 p.m. | at the Clubhouse

Everyone is welcome to come and join this fun group of ladies!

Drop in and stay as little or as long as you like! Contact:

Mary Lee Crenshaw for details – mlcrenshaw@embarqmail.com

EAGLE SPRINGS BOOK CLUB

Tuesday-February 14th | 8p.m. to 10p.m. | at the Clubhouse Open to all Eagle Springs Residents!

To see all the other groups, log on to:www.InsideEagleSprings.com and click on the Groups tab at the top of the homepage!

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20th Annual YMCA Bridge Fest 5K Walk & Run

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For cost and additional information on Bridge Fest, call Lake Houston Family YMCA at: 281-360-2500. Or you may email Carol Sutton at: carols@ymcahouston.org.

About Bridge Fest... Thousands of runners, joggers, walkers and supporters attend Bridge Fest each year, which began as a celebration of the opening of the Lake Houston Parkway Bridge connecting the communities of Humble, Atascocita and Kingwood 20 years ago. The course is a fast, accurately measured USTA-certified 5K, which begins at the YMCA, travels across the Lake Houston Parkway Bridge, makes one turn and returns to the YMCA. This event is a great opportunity for families to come out and spend some quality time together. Kids races begin at 7:45 a.m. and are followed by the 5K Family Run & Walk at 9:00 a.m. The Lake Houston Family YMCA is a non-profit organization serving the communities of Atascocita, Huffman, Humble, Kingwood, New Caney, and Porter.





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What Can You Do About Solicitors?

MANY COMMUNITIES ARE TARGETS FOR SOLICITORS - FOR MANY REASONS.

While the Association has made it a "deed restriction" it has no real control over the soliciting activities of others. In an effort to discourage solicitors from marketing in our community "no soliciting" signs have been placed at the entrances into Eagle Springs.

The reason that the Association cannot prevent soliciting is that the streets and roadways within the community are public access ways that are owned and maintained by Harris County. This means that no person or persons may be prevented from entering the community.

Of course, if an individual or individuals are in the process of breaking the law, the Constables can take immediate action.

THE SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS TO DISCOURAGE UNWELCOME SOLICITING IN THE COMMUNITY:

- Report all solicitors as "suspicious persons" to our Constables at: 281-376-3472.
- Promptly remove all flyers left on your front or garage door and newspapers from your yard or front porch.
- Promptly report all flyers left on the mailboxes to the U.S. Postal Service.
- Refuse to make use of solicitors' offers and refuse to patronize any company being marketed in this manner.
- Notify the management company of any companies presently soliciting so that letters can be sent advising them of Eagle Springs policy of not permitting door to door soliciting (they will be encouraged to use the community newsletter and/or website marketing options). Individual homeowners have the ability to place a small "No Trespassing/No Soliciting" sign at the entry to their homes. Should a solicitor continue to leave flyers, the homeowner then has the authority to file charges against the company for trespassing on private property.

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