



# THE TALON

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## ..... SEPTEMBER .....

1-3	Labor Day Holiday!	Pools Open / Onsite Office Closed
4	Empty Nesters Games Group	1pm / Athletic Clubhouse
6	Twin Villas HOA Meets	6:30pm / Athletic Clubhouse
11	Book Club Meets	8pm / Athletic Clubhouse
13	ESCA Board Meeting	4pm / Athletic Clubhouse
15	Kid's Triathlon	8am / Athletic Clubhouse & Pool
17	Sports Fields Committee Meets	7pm / Athletic Clubhouse
18	Pool Committee Meets	7pm / Athletic Clubhouse
22	Fall Community Garage Sale	8am / Thru-out ES
24	Landscape Committee Meets	7pm / Athletic Clubhouse
27	Safety Advisory Committee Meets	7pm / Athletic Clubhouse

## Onsite Management Office Hours

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY / 1PM – 6PM

SATURDAY / 9AM – 1PM

Please check the Community Calendar for the most up-to-date information at:  
[www.INSIDEEagleSprings.com](http://www.INSIDEEagleSprings.com)

TUESDAYS – Trash & Recycle

FRIDAYS – Trash Only

## Kid's Triathlon

Saturday – September 15<sup>th</sup>

8 A.M. - FINISH



Please See Page 5 for Details

*Note: Some streets will be blocked off during this event – Please use caution if driving in the area!*

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## Eagle Springs Annual Fall Community

# GARAGE SALE



Saturday – September 22<sup>nd</sup>

8 A.M. - NOON

See page 4 for details & registration info.

## COMMUNITY CONTACT INFORMATION

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(*Neighborhood Watch*)  
Sports Fields..... SportsFieldCommittee@gmail.com

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Humble ISD Police (Schools)..... 281-641-7900  
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept (AVFD)  
    *Non-Emergency Number* ..... 281-852-2181  
Harris County Animal Control ..... 281-999-3191  
Texas Poison Control Center ..... 800-222-1222

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    *Street Light Outages* ..... 713-207-2222  
Gas, Centerpoint Energy..... 713-659-2111  
    *Gas Leaks* ..... 713-659-2111  
Water, Severn Trent ..... 281-579-4500  
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Telephone, Centurylink..... 877-290-5458  
T.V./Internet (*multiple providers*) ..... www.allconnect.com  
Trash, Best Trash ..... 281-313-2378  
Recycling, Residential Recycling of Texas ..... 866-516-9805  
Humble Post Office..... 281-540-1775

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## SPRINGS

### CRIME STATISTICS - JULY 2012

Burglary of a Habitation .....	0
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (BMV) .....	1
Theft from a Habitation .....	0
Theft of Motor Vehicle .....	0
Theft Other .....	2
Robbery.....	0
Assault .....	1
Sexual Assault .....	0
Criminal Mischief.....	4
Disturbance Family.....	0
Disturbance Juvenile.....	2
Disturbance Other.....	11
Alarms .....	41
Suspicious Vehicles .....	11
Suspicious Persons .....	7
Runaways .....	0
Telephone Harassment.....	0
Other Calls .....	64

*A detailed Security Report for Eagle Springs  
can be viewed at: [www.OutsideEagleSprings.com](http://www.OutsideEagleSprings.com),  
under the Neighborhood Watch tab.*

## REMINDER! - NO PETS

Pets are NOT allowed at Community Events, on the Baseball Fields, or inside the Tennis Courts or Pool Facilities, with the exception of service dogs or other service animals. This policy is to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all residents in our community.

Please be courteous to your neighbors and fellow residents and remember to LEASH & PICK UP after your pet! It's also the LAW!

Should you see a loose dog, without a leash or owner attached, please call Animal Control at: 281-999-3191. For an immediate response to an Aggressive Dog, please call our Constables at: 281-376-3472.

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**GARY  
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School is back in session and your air conditioners have worked hard this summer. If you have not had your air conditioning unit serviced in the last year, now would be a good time to do so. While jogging through the neighborhood I have noticed many A/C overflow drains that have water draining from them and/or stains on roofs or sides of homes from the discolored water coming out of the drainpipe. This is a repair situation that needs to be attended to ASAP. The emergency drainpipes located in the soffit of your home are there to drain water from your pan in the event the unit is leaking. There are different reasons for the water drainage that may be as simple as a clogged main drain line or more problematic in dirty coils. A Licensed HVAC Contractor should service your A/C at least once a year. Have you changed your air filters? Did you know that dirty air filters make your unit or units work harder to cool your home? This can raise your electricity bill and prematurely age your units. If you are planning on selling your home having you're A/C units in good working order is of primary importance.

Need help in the home maintenance department? If your home is 3 years old or older I recommend putting a home warranty on your home. The home warranty can protect you from unexpected maintenance bills. For the price of a service call, usually ranging from \$55 to \$65 per covered item, a homeowner can have a licensed repair man address what is broken or not working properly. If you have interest in home warranties or need names of home warranty vendors, give me a call or drop me an email for a list of qualified vendors. I would be happy to share these with you. It is the neighborly thing to do and part of the service I provide as a Realtor.

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**Sold in Eagle Springs through August 3, 2012 by Rebekah Snipp**

### **17 Solds 2012**

12307 Grand Portage, 12707 Muir Woods, 12927 Cascadia Knoll, 12118 Grand Arches, 12734 Crater Lakes, 18502 Wild Basin, 18027 Yellowstone Trail, 17011 Jetton Park, 12707 Glendo, 12438 Cedar Breaks Court, 17731 Ashe Park Ct, 17422 Ebey's Landing, 12202 Pinelands Park, 11822 Biscayne Pass Lane, 17318 Coronado Park Lane, 11802 Bandera Creek, 11930 Biscayne Pass Lane.

**Currently Pending in Eagle Springs as of August 3, 2012 by Rebekah Snipp**

### **8 Pending 2012**

18414 Huron Park Trail, 12730 Smokey Mountain Court, 12646 Blackstone River Lane, 17418 Lake Chelan Lane, 12110 Wind Cove Place Court, 17707 Carr Creek, 17714 Rough River Ct, 12619 Otter Creek

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*Eagle Springs Resident*





# EAGLE SPRINGS

## FALL GARAGE SALE

### *Someone's Trash is Another's Treasure....*

It's that time of year again! Our Fall Community Garage Sale will be on September 22nd, from 8am to 12pm. Once again we will be handing out maps to buyers at the Athletic Clubhouse the morning of the sale. We will also have a central selling location for those of you who like one-stop shopping.

If you would like your address to be listed on the map, or if you would like to sell at the central location, please register via the registration link on our website at: [www.INSIDEeagleSprings.com](http://www.INSIDEeagleSprings.com). Happy selling!



*Eagle Springs Community Association, Inc.*

## MEETING NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given to all members of Eagle Springs Community Association, Inc. for the upcoming meeting of the Eagle Springs Community Association Board of Directors. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of the association.

**This meeting will take place on Thursday, September 13, 2012**

**at the Eagle Springs Clubhouse located at:**

**17821 Eagle Springs Parkway, Humble, Texas 77346.**

**The open session of the meeting will be from 4pm to 6pm**

*Please contact Bill Higgins at Crest Management  
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# 2nd Annual Kids Triathlon

*September 15, 2012*

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The entire triathlon takes place within the Eagle Springs community, with the swimming portion beginning at the Athletic Club Pool and ending at the Sports Complex. There will be various activities at the finish line for all the participants.

Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place in each age and gender group.

We believe that a triathlon for children encourages physical fitness, grows self-esteem, builds character, and provides a healthy view of competition.

We invite everyone to come cheer on the kids, whether or not your child is participating.

***Come out and show your support for our Eagle Springs Kids!***

*Questions: [Sports.Committee@InsideEagleSprings.com](mailto:Sports.Committee@InsideEagleSprings.com)*

**More details available on our website:**  
*[www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com](http://www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com)*



**EAGLE SPRINGS**

## Annual Neighborhood Night Out

***Saturday ~ October 6th***

**It's Time to Register Your Block Party!**

*Register Online Now at:*  
[www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com](http://www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com)

Streets **MUST** be REGISTERED by September 20th to receive INCENTIVES! T-Shirts for the first 30 who register their streets!



Winning Neighborhood will be treated to:  
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## **Street Closures During Kid's Triathlon**

On Saturday, September 15, 2012, Eagle Springs will host its second annual Kid's Triathlon. The streets utilized will be blocked for at least a portion of the morning, beginning at approximately 8am. The street closures are limited to sections of Eagle Springs Parkway and Will Clayton Parkway.

Parking will not be available at the Sports Complex, Athletic Club Pool, or Eagle Springs Elementary School. Parking will be available at the Church of Latter Day Saints across Will Clayton Parkway.

The Athletic Club Pool and Sports Complex fields will be closed until 12:00pm for this event. Whether or not your child is competing, please feel free to come out and celebrate the success of these young athletes! The finish line will be on the Soccer Field at the Sports Complex.

### **Eagle Springs**

## **TIME CAPSULE CONTEST!**

*Join Eagle Springs in celebrating  
the Grand Opening of the  
New Valley Springs Clubhouse & Spray Park!*

In a Grand Opening Ceremony scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup>, we will be placing items in the Time Capsule that will go into the ground and not be opened for 25 years!

Do you want to be among those to put something in the capsule?  
Tell us in 250 words or less why you love Eagle Springs.

Contest Entry Form & Details are at: [www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com](http://www.INSIDEEAGLESprings.com)

# **2037**



## FALL FESTIVAL & CRAFT FAIR HOME-BASED BUSINESS SHOWCASE

Mark your calendars! Our Fall Festival & Craft Fair will be on October 27, 2012.

We will have the activities you know and love from years' past, and this year we'll be expanding our Craft Fair to include all home-based businesses. If you own a local landscaping company, pet sitting business, home bakery or any other home-based business, we want to feature you as well!

This year, we'll be assigning spaces on a first come, first served basis and will be handing out maps to patrons featuring your business. Once again we will be instituting the "one registrant per type of business" rule; businesses with similar merchandise will be limited as well, so be sure to register early at: [www.INSIDEeagleSprings.com](http://www.INSIDEeagleSprings.com)! This year we have some fun and exciting things planned to showcase Eagle Springs-based businesses, so stay tuned!



## 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 affect the beauty of our community, but also it can make you a target for crime. A criminal may see piled up newspapers and flyers left on the doors and think the house is empty. Please pick up unwanted papers and flyers from front doors, garages, & driveways in a timely manner and put them in the trash... or better yet, recycle them!

If you do not want to receive the weekly community newspapers, you can have delivery stopped by calling the publishers directly and putting in a "STOP REQUEST." For flyers left at your door, we recommend calling the solicitor directly and letting them know that you do not wish to receive their advertisements at your door.

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## CONSTABLE'S CORNER

### *Back to School...Safely*

As school has returned to session I thought it would be appropriate to address school zone safety. Parents typically do a great job of preparing their child for school throughout the year with appropriate clothes, necessary supplies, and even the perfect backpack. But one area that is often lacking is child safety driving awareness around school zones, school buses, and child care centers.

Child safety should be the first and foremost consideration when determining how a child is dropped off and picked up from school or daycare. Yet the very parent who is most tedious about exercising safety precautions around their own child is often the first to zoom off from the curb after making the safe drop-off, and potentially endangering other children in their haste to leave.

*What should parents do now for child safety this school year?*

Familiarize yourself with school or provider drop-off and pick-up practices and then be sure you always follow them. One of the biggest complaints by school officials is that parents find a reason to be exception to the rule. If the curb says "No stopping, standing or parking at any time," that means for everyone. If children are required to use designated cross walks, don't walk your child across the middle of a street just because you're holding her hand. If traffic is supposed to be one way at designated times, be prepared to change your traffic pattern. And, if an area is designated for teacher parking only, then don't grab a space to drop off your child because you think it's just for "a couple of minutes."

Discuss the rules with your child and practice with younger ones. If possible, take your child to the drop-off area and "practice" the procedure at an off-peak time. Have your child wear his backpack (if required) and walk him through what to look for, what to do, and what not to do. If crossing guards are utilized, explain their purpose and how they must wait for approval to cross. Younger children understand best by actually "doing" a routine instead of just being told about it. Familiarity and then repetition are the best guidelines for ensuring child safety all school year long. Resist the urge to speed or make any traffic rules exception because you are running late. Whipping your car around, getting your child to dash out of the car to reach the classroom before the school bell rings, or encouraging a "drop-and-dash" drop-off is the recipe for disaster in terms of child safety. You would rather your child receive a tardy notice than to be in an accident.

Know all traffic rules concerning school zones and traffic flows. Remember, ignorance of the law is not an excuse. Drive your pattern now and familiarize yourself with the various speed zones. Be aware of which side of the car your child sits, and consider positioning him or her to the side most convenient for exiting. If your child is in a "drop" situation, see if the child seat or booster seat is something he can put on or off safely; the same holds true for lap belts and shoulder harnesses.

Refrain from using your cell phone, or any other device that may cause distraction while around school zones. This common-sense advice really applies whenever a motorist is behind the wheel, but especially when in a driving situation around young children and their perhaps spontaneous actions.

***\*Remember, Texas Traffic Law statutes prohibit cellular telephone use within active school zones.***

## LET'S PLANT SOME MORE TREES!

Last year the Landscape Committee teamed up with Ridgewood Landscaping, Inc. (the company that landscapes our common areas) during Eagle Springs Neighborhood Night Out Event, to offer our Eagle Springs' residents the chance to purchase quality trees at discounted pricing and have them professionally planted in their own yards. We are happy to announce that the Landscape Committee has once again teamed up with Ridgewood and will be offering trees and plantings again this year to Eagle Springs' residents at special contractor-rate pricing. At last year's Neighborhood Night Out Event, we successfully added 54 trees to our community!

During this year's Neighborhood Night Out Event to be held on Saturday, October 6th, the Landscape Committee will once again offer trees for our residents to purchase. They will also offer a limited number of plantings at no cost to residents who purchase a tree. Please look for details regarding the variety of trees offered, costs, planting availability, and other details at: [www.INSIDEEagleSprings.com](http://www.INSIDEEagleSprings.com).

One lucky winner at this year's Neighborhood Night Out Event will also receive a FREE 30 gallon Tree & Planting, courtesy of the Landscape Committee & Ridgewood Landscape, Inc.

For questions please contact the Eagle Springs Landscape Committee at: [Landscape.Committee@InsideEagleSprings.com](mailto:Landscape.Committee@InsideEagleSprings.com)

*"Actual photo showing the size & quality of one of the Live Oak trees planted during last year's event."*







## SEPTEMBER POOL HOURS

### Athletic Club Pool

17821 EAGLE SPRINGS PARKWAY

Days/Dates	Times	Adult ONLY Swim
Open Weekends Only	9am – 8pm	8pm – 10pm

### Island Club Pool

17150 EAGLE SPRINGS PARKWAY

CLOSED

Both pools will be open for the Labor Day Holiday Weekend!  
Saturday, Sunday & Monday

## Eagle Hatchlings

### ABBY SMITH

*Born:* June 12, 2012

*Proud Parents:* Jamie & Paul Smith

*Excited Brothers:* Eric, Owen, & Isaac

*Birth Stats:* 7 lbs 10oz, 19½ inches long

*Neighborhood:* Logan Ridge

### ARIANA JAI DUTTON

*Born:* August 2, 2012

*Proud Parents:* Jamie & Angie Dutton

*Proud Sister:* Angela

*Birth Stats:* 6 lbs 11oz, 19¾ inches long

### KENNEDY GRACE BAKER

*Born:* August 1, 2012

*Proud Parents:* Alison & Jason Baker

*Birth Stats:* 7 lbs 12.3oz, 20 inches long

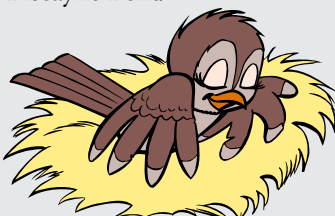
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## The Dog Days of Summer...

Hot & humid weather, like we have here in Texas, can take a fatal toll on our four-legged friends. Cats and dogs, with their furry coats, are at least 10 times hotter than us humans in this heat, and they have less ability to fight off the heat because they can't sweat like we humans can. This is why we see them panting... that's how they "sweat" and try to cool off. The Humane Society has these tips to help your pets avoid heat exhaustion:

- Never leave your pet in a parked car – cracking the windows will not protect your pet from over heating in the car. Even with windows down, temperatures rise quickly inside and a car can be 25 degrees hotter than the outside temperature.
- Provide plenty of clean, fresh water at all times, change water daily.
- Provide adequate shade and/or shelter from the sun and, if pets are kept in a kennel, adequate air circulation.
- Exercise your dog in the early morning or evening hours. Avoid exercise during the hottest part of the day.
- Hot pavement can mean hot or burned paws; avoid walking your dog on hot pavement or roads.
- Baby pools filled with cool water can be fun and cooling for most dogs (use the hard plastic pool).
- Fill a gallon milk container with water, freeze, place it in cage or in a cool spot in the yard for a cool place to lie next to and get cool.
- Since many people treat their lawns with pesticides at this time of the year, keep your pet away from unfamiliar yards and grassy areas.
- Grooming is a must, but do not shave off all your pets' hair - his coat will protect him from getting sunburned.
- Steer your pet clear of puddles of auto coolant in the garage or driveway. This liquid tastes sweet and is tempting to animals but is poisonous and could lead to a fatal result.
- Pets should ride inside the car, not in the back of an open vehicle where they are subject directly to the elements, as well as run the risk of bouncing or falling out. If your pet must travel in the back of an open vehicle, make sure he's safely tethered to the center of the bed where he's unable to reach the sides and is able to stand or sit on a slip-proof and cool surface.

Any pet can suffer from heat stress, although some animals are more prone or susceptible than others:

- Very young or very old animals
- Short-nosed breeds of cats and dogs
- Overweight animals
- Pets with cardiovascular or respiratory problems
- Animals with a history of heat stress
- Heavy coated breeds and 'Arctic' breeds of dogs
- Rabbits cannot tolerate temperatures above 85-90 degrees

Signs of heat stress include:

- Vomiting and Diarrhea
- Profuse panting
- Drooling, staring,
- Anxious expression
- Warm, dry skin
- High fever
- High heart rate
- Muscle weakness
- Inability to move, nonresponsive
- Collapse

Heat stress can be fatal – Get your pet to a veterinarian IMMEDIATELY if you see these symptoms.

# EAGLE SPRINGS

## CUB SCOUT RALLY

SEPTEMBER 6TH - 6:30 PM  
EAGLE SPRINGS ELEMENTARY

Eagle Springs Cub Scout Pack 926 will be holding their annual membership Rally Night on Thursday, September 6.

Cub Scouts meet weekly to learn new things, play games and go on field trips. The Cub Scouting program focuses on twelve Core Values: Citizenship, Compassion, Cooperation, Courage, Faith, Health and Fitness, Honesty, Perseverance, Positive Attitude, Resourcefulness, Respect and Responsibility.

Come join Cub Scouts on Thursday, September 6 at 6:30 in the Eagle Springs Elementary School's cafeteria.

For more information, please call Christian Taylor at 281-852-9272 or Angie Braun at 281-852-9133 or log on to our website at: [www.pack926.net](http://www.pack926.net)



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