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## 4th of July Celebration

PARADE, FOAM PIT, WATER SLIDES, RIDES, GAMING TRUCK AND MORE!

#### **JULY 4TH**

9 AM TO NOON **VALLEY SPRINGS CLUBHOUSE** 



## **CASINO** NIGHT

**JULY 15TH** THE OVERLOOK 7 – II PM



#### **JULY 201 COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

5
11Book Club8 pm / Eagle Springs Clubhouse
12Fiber and Yarn Club 7 pm / Eagle Springs Clubhouse
13ESCA Board Meeting
14Scrapbook Club12 – 10 pm / Eagle Springs Clubhouse
15
17Sports Field Committee Meeting7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
18Pool Committee Meeting7 pm / Valley Springs Clubhouse
25
26. Fiber and Yarn Club 7 pm/ Eagle Springs Clubhouse
27Safety Advisory Committee Meeting7 pm/ Valley Springs Clubhouse
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#### **NEW ONSITE OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 1 pm - 6 pm Friday 9 am - 6 pm Closed from 12 - 1 pm for lunch.

The Onsite Office is located at 12520 Will Clayton Parkway

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Humble ISD Police (Schools)		281-641-7900
Atascocita Volunteer Fire Dept (AV	/FD)	
Non-Emergency Number		281-852-2181
Harris County Animal Control		281-999-3191
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Fire, Medical or Life Threatening Emergency ......... 9-1-1

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## FOURTH OF JULY FUN!

Come out and celebrate! Our Fourth of July parade route will begin at the intersection of Lafayette Hollow and Valley Lodge Parkway at 9 am. Prizes will be awarded to the best decorated in the following categories: bike/scooter, wagon, power wheel, stroller and costume.

We will then walk approximately half a mile down Valley Lodge Parkway to the Spray Park and Valley Springs Clubhouse, where water slides, a foam pit, concessions for purchase, and a mobile game unit will be waiting! Crafts, music, and 4th of July fun are all on the agenda.

If you choose not to march in the parade, come out and cheer on your neighbors!







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## Returning to Our Roots

We are excited to announce the opening of our second location for Snipp Realty Group. This is a special location to Snipp Realty Group since Rebekah and Mark Snipp started their real estate career in the Humble/ Atascocita area in 2003. Eagle Springs is a special place to us as we built two homes and started many relationships and friendships within the Eagle Springs community. We have lived, worked and played alongside many of you over the years. Rebekah has watched many of your families grow up while working with you to sell and purchase homes, along with helping your family members, friends and co-workers find their homes. We've seen several of you move in to Eagle Springs or relocate out of Eagle Springs for work domestically and internationally, then return to Eagle Springs to purchase again. Many of you are like family to us and your continued friendship is cherished. For residents we have yet to meet, welcome to the neighborhood.

Several of our Agents are residents of Eagle Springs as well. We look forward to visiting with all of you as we are out and about the neighborhood. Community involvement opportunities are important to us. We are always looking for more ways to be involved in the community, so please let us know if you have a project you would like us to consider being a part of in the area.

Our new location is located at 7702 FM 1960 East, Suite 212, Humble, TX 77346. We are in the Bank of America Building. Stop by sometime to say hello.

At Snipp Realty Group we realize you have a choice, we appreciate the opportunity to earn your business. Thank you for the trust you have shown in us over the years. If a move is in your future, we look forward to assisting you. Have a great summer!

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## SANDPIT EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

The sandpit located in the Aspen Glen Park had become more of a mud hole on most days. The landscape committee reached out to our local Boy Scout Troop 9 to see if any members would be interested in re-working the sandpit. Drew Halvorsen stepped up to the challenge.

Drew worked with members of the landscape committee to come up with a new design and location for the sandpit. As part of the Eagle Scout process, Drew had to design, plan, recruit help from his fellow scouts, fundraise or seek donations for supplies and lead the troop through the process.

The scouts began working on the new sandpit the week of May 1st and completed the project

May 13th. The new sandpit was relocated to higher ground to prevent it from being a mud hole again. In addition, it was moved to a shadier area and two sitting rocks were added.

Drew secured donations from Yard Birds Landscaping, Dirt Cheap Mulch, Sinor Engine, Ridgewood Landscaping and our HOA. The project used 6 yards of mortar sand, 2 ½ yards of top soil, 150pcs of sod, bend a board, weed barrier, 15 Scouts and a few of their parents.

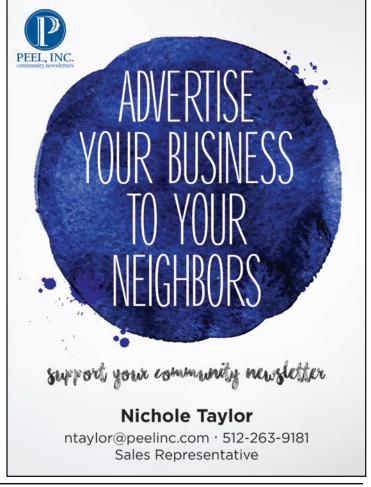
Thank you to a few residents that live in Aspen Glen for their

use of their water and for collecting sandpit toys and two lounge chairs for parents to sit in.

Congratulations Drew on a job well done and we thank you for your service to our community! The sandpit has been a huge hit amongst the children in Eagle Springs!







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#### **Eagle Springs Shows Its American Pride**

In 2016 the HOA increased the 2017 holiday decorations budget. The Holiday Committee for Eagle Springs decided to use a portion of this budget to decorate for our summer patriotic holidays. The committee reached out to our local Boy Scout Troop 9 to display American Flags on 4 holidays; Memorial Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day. Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season.

A total of 60 flags were placed throughout the community, at the main entrances of Eagle Springs, the pool entrances and each section's entrance. In addition to the flags placed at our entrances, the troop installed a total of 479 American Flags in the front yards of our resident's homes. As a fundraiser the troop sells flag subscriptions to our residents. The subscription includes the installation and removal of the flags on the 4 holidays. Currently the troop has the manpower to cover a third of our community. The troop will continue each year to add more coverage as the troop's enrollment grows.

We hope that you enjoyed the flags thus far and look forward to seeing them on Labor Day. If you would like to join the Holiday Committee please visit insideeaglesprings.com to view our meeting times and locations.









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## Tips and Tricks to Help Sell Your **Home this Summer!**

**Depersonalize:** Prepare yourself for the big move by taking down family portraits and personalized decor, this helps buyers better picture themselves in the home and it also gets you a head start on packing!

**Declutter:** Remove all non-decor items from counters, shelves and furniture. This helps the homeowner focus on the important stuff, the house!

**Create a move-in ready appearance:** After removing personal pictures and items be sure to remove all nails and screws that are left behind. To finish, spackel the holes they've created and touch up the paint. This will give the home a great put-together look!

**Deep cleaning:** Hiring a team to help you deep clean the home will get it 'market ready'. This will be the finishing touch to help the house be at it's absolute best when it's shown and it will also help you get top dollar for your biggest investment!



#### **DID YOU KNOW THIS IS ILLEGAL?**

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



Little did Ernesto Pulido know that he was breaking the law when he disturbed the nests of egrets and black-crowned night herons while trimming trees for the U.S. Postal Service in 2014. He was charged with a misdemeanor violation of the

U.S. Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 and because he showed remorse, was only fined \$3,000 to cover the cost of rehabilitating the injured baby birds. He could have been fined \$15,000 and faced six months in jail.

Most people are totally unaware of the Act and that it is one of the oldest wildlife protection laws on the books. Simply stated it's a law that protects birds from people. In 1916 the United States entered into a treaty with Great Britain (acting on behalf of Canada) whereby the two countries agree to end the hunting of insect-eating birds and established hunting seasons for game birds. In order to implement the treaty, the Migratory Bird Treaty Act was passed in 1918 by Congress which makes it illegal to "pursue, hunt, take, capture, kill," or "sell" a migratory bird or any of its parts, including nests, eggs, and feathers except under the terms of a valid permit issued pursuant to Federal regulations. The Act mostly came about because birds were needlessly being killed for their feathers which made great fashion accessories. Entire birds were stuffed and attached to the tops of hats. Birds were also being served in restaurants.

In 1936, the USA signed a similar treaty with Mexico. Japan and the Soviet Union were added in the 1970s. !n 1972 an amendment to the Act added protection for an additional 32 families of birds including eagles, hawks, owls and corvids. Since then more species have been added to include almost every native species in the USA with a few exceptions like the House Sparrow, the European Starling and the domestic pigeon. Some of the birds don't actually migrate but are still protected under this Act. For a complete listing of protected birds go to:

 $https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/managed-species/\\migratory-bird-treaty-act-protected-species.php.$ 

It wasn't until 2013 that the Department of Justice enforced the Act for the first time by penalizing a wind farmer for killing Golden Eagles and other birds at two sites in Wyoming. The farmer was fined \$1 million. A second wind farmer was penalized a year later and fined \$2.5 million.

So what does all of this mean to you? Let's say a bird builds a nest above your front door and drops poop everywhere. Can you remove the nest? NO—it's illegal. Can my son take bird

eggs to school for show and tell? NO—it's illegal. We collect bird feathers. Is this okay? NO—it's illegal. I found a nest and I brought it in the house. ILLEGAL. We found a dead Blue Jay and we want to have it "stuffed" for display. Guess what? ILLEGAL. We live on a farm and randomly shoot birds for fun. Is this legal? NO, NO, NO. In July 2007, a man was sentenced to six months in a federal halfway house, five years probation with no contact with firearms, and a fine of a \$65,000 fine for killing protected birds on his property.

Although this law may seem a little silly to the average person, it does serve a purpose. It reminds us that we must learn to live in harmony with wildlife and not purposely disrupt or cause harm to other living beings.

TWRC Wildlife Center serves a great purpose as well. We help wildlife that has been injured, orphaned or displaced and return them to the wild. Your donations help us keep the doors open and allow us to provide this service to the public free of charge. Please see our website for more information on what we do and how you can help. www.twrcwildlifecenter.org





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#### Will My Child be Ready for Elementary School?

By: Paula Morgan, Owner, Primrose School of Eagle Springs
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More and more parents are recognizing the importance of enrolling their children in preschool to help them develop the right foundation for success in elementary school and beyond. The best programs go beyond helping children master basic academic skills by supporting their development as happy, confident, well-rounded individuals.

Studies show that from birth to age 5, growth in all areas of development is rapid. Children form strong neural connections during this time as a result of their experiences with everyone and everything they encounter. The quality of those early interactions determines how children will continue to learn and form relationships, which strongly influences their future success and happiness. "Informed parents look for preschool, pre-K and kindergarten programs that take a balanced approach to developing motor, social-emotional, creative and academic skills," said Dr. Gloria Julius, vice president of education and professional development for Primrose Schools. "It takes quality instruction, a well-rounded curriculum and a positive teacher relationship to prepare a child to succeed."children create a make-believe town in the desert out of rocks, boxes, and their imaginations. Read the book with your children and then challenge them to create their own town with materials they find in the backyard.

- Academics: It's important to go beyond a concentration on basic math and reading skills. Academic success is not just about memorization – it requires learning how to think critically, use mathematical concepts, express curiosity and develop competence in all language skills, including listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- Technology: In today's technology-rich world, children need to have a grasp on technology as a tool for creative expression and problem solving. Computers equipped with developmentally-appropriate educational software and online resources should be integrated into the classroom.
- Physical Development: Children who participate in daily physical activity develop basic motor skills like throwing, jumping and balance that help them become healthy adults. Physical activity also creates neural connections that support academic achievement.
- Music and Art: Young children naturally engage in "art" or spontaneous, creative play, but when educators involve children in music and art activities regularly from an early age, they are also promoting cognitive and emotional development.
- Social-Emotional Development: Preschool programs should focus on supporting the development of social and life skills, as well as executive function. Research shows that executive functioning skills help children establish positive relationships and make a successful transition to elementary school.

Will your child be ready to enter elementary school? Selecting the right child care or preschool program is a critical step in helping your child succeed. Plan to tour schools at least one year in advance so you have plenty of time to apply and enroll your child.

For more parenting tips, visit our 360 Parenting blog at www.PrimroseSchools.com/360Parenting.

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# STAR-SPANGLED RED, WHITE & BLUE SLAB PIE

#### **Ingredients**

- **3** Pillsbury<sup>™</sup> refrigerated pie crusts, softened as directed on box (from 2 boxes)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 packages (8 oz each) cream cheese, softened
- **2** containers (6 oz each) Yoplait® Original lemon burst yogurt Juice and grated peel of 1 lemon
- (3 tablespoons juice and 1 teaspoon peel)

6 cups assorted berries

(sliced strawberries, blueberries, raspberries and blackberries)

1 cup strawberry glaze (from 13.5-oz container)

#### Instructions

- 1 Heat oven to 450°F. Remove 2 of the pie crusts from pouches. Unroll and stack on lightly floured surface. Roll to 17x12-inch rectangle. Fit crust into ungreased 15x10x1-inch pan, pressing into corners. Fold crust even with edges of pan. Prick crust several times with fork.
- **2** Bake 10 to 12 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.
- **3** Meanwhile, remove another pie crust from pouch. On lightly floured surface, unroll crust. Roll to 12-inch circle. Cut stars using 1-, 1 1/2-and 2-inch cookie cutters. Place 1 inch apart on large ungreased cookie sheet. Brush with water; sprinkle with 1 tablespoon of the sugar.
- 4 Bake 5 to 7 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet. Remove to cooling rack. Cool completely, about 15 minutes.
- 5 Meanwhile, in medium bowl, beat remaining 3 tablespoons sugar, the cream cheese, yogurt, lemon juice and lemon peel with electric mixer on high speed until smooth and creamy. Spread evenly into crust-lined pan. Refrigerate about 30 minutes or until chilled.
- **6** In large bowl, mix berries and glaze until well blended. Spoon berry mixture evenly on top of cream cheese-topped pie crust. Place pie crust stars on top of berry mixture.





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Justin Hyatt Hyatt Insurance



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> Claire Bland Austin Landscaping



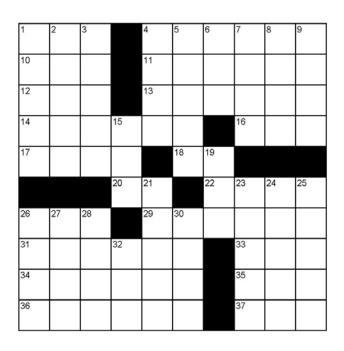
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- 1. Middle
- 4. Preoccupy
- 10. Is
- 11. Properly
- 12. Pat
- 13. Aviator
- 14. "Eagle" constellation
- 16. Most basic
- 17. Baseball glove
- 18. Road (abbr.)
- 20. Scale note
- 22. Object
- 26. Danish krone (abbr.)
- 29. Canyon
- 31. Wild beast
- 33. Digital audio tape
- 34. Movie "Total \_\_"withdraw
- 35. Genius
- 36. Handy
- 37. Type of partnership

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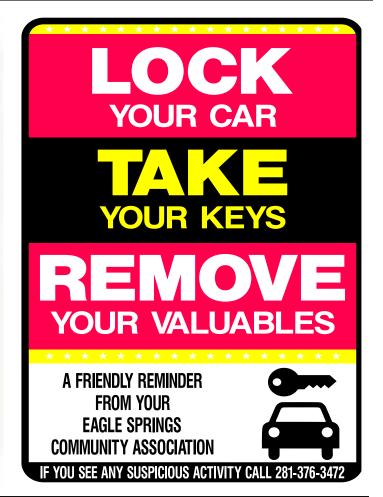
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- 2. Iranian's neighbor
- 3. First public appearance
- 4. Opaque gem
- 5. Thistle
- 6. Title of respect
- 7. Austin novel
- 8. Block
- 9. In \_\_ (together)
  15. \_\_ A Small World...
  19. Division (abbr.)

- 21. Toothbrush brand
- 23. Large wave
- 24. Found
- 25. Doled 26. Drat!
- 27. Joint
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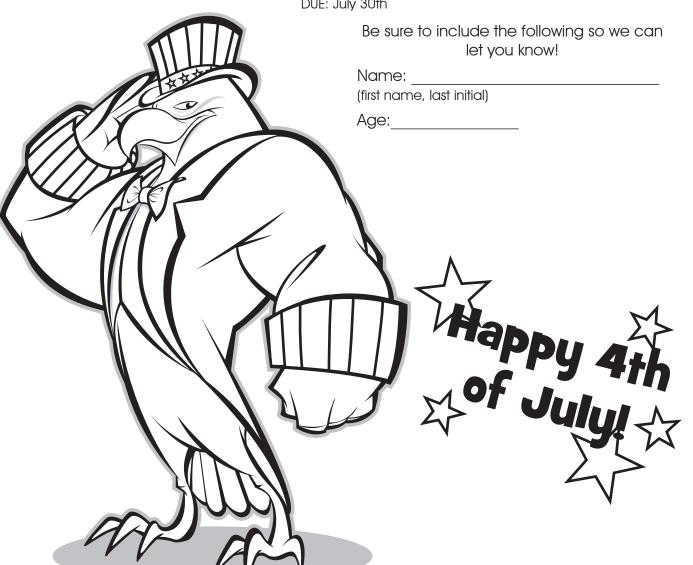
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