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## September 2007 Gillespie Home Inspection Newsletter

Dear Kim,

Your feedback on our newsletter is always welcome. And please feel free to reuse any part of this text in marketing your business.

### SCCAOR Trade Show was a Big Success



I hope you had a chance to stop by our booth at the SCCAOR Trade Show two weeks ago. We took home the "Most Original Booth" award! And the best part is we had a fun doing it.

The theme this year was "Shoot for the Stars" so we had stars - Austin Powers, Marilyn Monroe, and of course, Elvis. We offered pictures with them to all who were interested and sent them off via email. If you didn't get your picture, just let us know and we'll make sure you have it.

Click on the link below to see some pics of our booth. Double click to enlarge them. You may not recognize our inspectors without their crawl suits - but they are pictured there as well.

[Click Here: 2007 Shoot for the Stars Pictures](#)

### Government Agency Recalls in One Place for You

If you have questions about recalls - all different kinds - you can now find them in one place, [www.recalls.gov](http://www.recalls.gov). The site includes recalls on consumer products, motor vehicles, boats, food, medicine, cosmetics and environmental products.



It is possible to search vehicles by make, model, year. Or you could search other items by brand, product, model or company name. This site also offers email subscriptions to keep updated from the CPSC, FDA and the USDA.

Check the website below for any recall information you might need. (Needless to say, my car is going to the dealer tomorrow for all the recalls I found.)

<http://www.recalls.gov>

## Didja Know? Water is a Home's Worst Enemy



Regrettably, we're heading into the rainy season. While we won't know how much we're in for, we do know that we don't want that water in our homes. Keeping water out and away from the house is one of the best preventative measures a homeowner can take.

It's never fun to fix the water problems *while* it's raining. So we suggest you take on the following projects soon, before you're all wet.

- Clean the gutters - they can overflow and come under the shingles.
- Extend the downspouts from the gutters to release the water 4-6' from the house.
- Ensure that landscape and hardscape does not tilt toward the house creating puddles.
- Keep the foundation screens clean (if you have them) so air can flow under and dry out the crawl area.

## Just for Fun

The first person to respond with the correct answer to this trivia question will win a Barnes & Noble card. Send your answer to [kim@gillespiehomeinspection.com](mailto:kim@gillespiehomeinspection.com).

(The winner of last month's trivia was Gary Smith of Community Association Datasource. He correctly guessed that the first parachute was invented for people to jump off of burning buildings - 100 years before the first airplane.)

***What was the name of Elvis's first #1 hit song?***

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