

# Happy New Year! Best Wishes For All!

A WISER, SAFER CHOICE!

## NORTHSTAR ELECTRICAL SERVICES

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### WIN DINNER!

**Respond to this email** and we will enter you in our drawing for a \$50 gift card of your choice\*.

**Congratulations to December's Winner:**

**Katie McCauley**  
— Broadway National

Respond by January 15th to be entered.

\*restaurants listed at the bottom right corner of the newsletter.

### NORTHSTAR PROMOTES SAFETY

We have reported it before, but January is the deadliest month for carbon monoxide poisoning. While we've recently had some really warm weather, home and portable heaters are the largest cause of carbon monoxide deaths.

Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless gas that seeps into homes through improperly connected equipment, or old and malfunctioning systems.

Having several detectors in your home is one way to help safeguard yourself from the dangers of this gas. It is also recommended to have your home heating and cooling equipment inspected every year to search for any leaks or improperly connected hoses.

If you find that a carbon monoxide detector alarm has been triggered in your home, you should turn off any appliances that release gas

(heaters, stoves, etc.) Then open any windows and doors around you, and get out of the house. Call a qualified technician to inspect the home before reentering and touching any appliances that may have caused the carbon monoxide leak.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning are:

- Headache
- Fatigue
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Vomiting
- Loss of consciousness

Stay safe and read up on more safety measures at these sites:

[Consumer Product Safety Commission](#)  
[Carbon Monoxide Kills](#)  
[Centers for Disease and Control](#)

### Build an Indoor Snowman!

Warm weather got you down? Make a snowman!

Items needed:

- 4-inch clay pot
- Plastic spoon
- Craft paint (Blue, Orange, White, and Black)
- Blue felt
- Matte finish sealer
- Floral foam
- White tissue paper
- White pom poms
- Ribbon
- Scissors
- Toothpicks
- Hot glue gun

Directions:

Paint the clay pot blue, and the rim white. When dry, use a toothpick to paint decorative snowflakes. When completely dry give the pot a coat of sealer.

Use a long liner brush to paint an orange nose onto the spoon. Use a toothpick with black paint for the eyes, mouth, and eyebrows.

Cut out felt scarves about 1/2" wide and cut fringes in the ends. Use a dab of hot glue to secure one spot, and wrap the scarf a couple times. Use another dab to secure the second spot of the scarf.



wrap the felt around front of the spoon. Glue in place. Continue wrapping the felt around to the back and glue in back again. Fold the top of the felt hat down behind the snowman's head and glue in place. Glue a pom pom to the end of the felt. Other hat designs can also be constructed. Check out the finished product!

Cut a small square of floral foam so it fits snugly inside the clay pot. Insert the snowman spoon into the floral foam. Tear or cut a sheet of tissue paper in half and roll it up. Use the tissue paper to fill the inside of the clay pot, covering the floral foam. Add some pom poms on top of the tissue paper for a puffy snow look.

To create a hat, cut a piece of felt about 3" x 4". Hot glue the corner of the felt to the back of the spoon and



Credit to: <http://craftsbyamanda.com/plastic-spoon-crafts-snowmen/>

### WINNERS of the \$100 American Express Gift Cards!

To those of you that responded to our Christmas E-Card mailing, Thank you so very much! We truly appreciate the warmth and love we received back! We are happy we could provide you with some fun and amusement during the holidays!

The winners are:

- Jay Tessier**
- Carol McCormack**
- Ted Mastrucci**
- Mia Ballou**
- Jeannette Ocasio**

### Happy Birthday!

Katrina, Matt, and Mohamed are all January babies!



In fact, they are all Capricorns too!



I need to start eating more healthy, but first I need to eat all the junk food in the house so it's not there to tempt me anymore.



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\* PF Chang's, Maggiano's, Chili's, Cheesecake Factory, The Capital Grille, Legal Seafood, Season's 52, California Pizza Kitchen, Ruth Chris's Steakhouse, Flemings Prime Steakhouse, Home Depot, Barnes & Noble, Nike, Zappos.