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SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY

Social media has many benefits—it allows you to maintain connections with friends, make new contacts, build support networks, express yourself and share your interests. However, information should be shared with caution to protect yourself and your family. Here are some top tips:

- Your personal information should be just that—personal. As hackers become
 more and more sophisticated, identity theft becomes a greater risk. And
 while it may be tempting to post pictures of your fabulous vacation, bear in
 mind that you're also letting others know you're away from home—making
 you vulnerable to a break in.
- 2. Use privacy and security settings to limit who can see what you share online. You wouldn't give details of your private life to complete strangers in person, so don't do it online either.
- 3. Remember that what you post online will stay online, so consider the longterm consequences. Could your social media presence prevent you from securing a job in the future? Would you want your coworkers to see this side of you?
- 4. Let your social network know your boundaries. For example, if you don't want images of yourself or your children posted online, let your friends and family members know.
- 5. Know what to do if someone is making you feel unsafe online. Some steps you can take include blocking the offender, reporting the person to the site administrator and removing him or her from your friends list.
- 6. Protect your social media accounts by using password best practices. Long combinations of letters, numbers and symbols are the most secure, and separate passwords should be used for each account.

RECYCLING AND SUMMER YARD WORK....

Recycling grass clippings? The City of McKinney will pick up yard debris for recycling, but first here's what to do:

Bag your grass clippings, leaves and other lawn trimmings in paper biodegradable lawn bags (available at area retailers).

Cut tree trimmings into fourfoot lengths, bundle and tie in bundles less than 50 pounds.

Place bags and bundles three feet away from your cart on your regular collection day.

Limited to an amount that two men can load in five minutes.

For more information, contact Waste Connections at 469-452-8000 or visit

www.mckinneytexas.org/792/ Recycling.

PLANNING A FAMILY PICNIC?

For a great, convenient location check out the picnic area in Pheasant Run Park. Just follow the pathway to an open grassy area to find a picnic table waiting.



LEANING MAILBOXES



Few things impact the "curb appeal" of a home as much as a mailbox that is leaning or falling over.

In some instances, this is an easy DIY project. Depending on the severity of the damage, you may need to call a professional.

Many times the damage can be fixed or repaired. These costs are usually in the \$100 to \$200 range. In some cases, repairing or fixing is not an option. Replacing or starting from scratch is the only solution.

Use your NextDoor app to find a vendor that your neighbors have used and recommended.



OWN A GOLF CART?

READ THESE GUIDELINES



The City of McKinney follows the state regulations regarding golf carts. Golf carts are allowed on public roads in McKinney when certain criteria are met.

Golf cart may not be operated on a sidewalk.

A golf cart may be operated on roadways where the posted speed limit of the street is 35 mph or less.

A golf cart must have a slow-moving vehicle emblem affixed to the rear and be built in compliance with applicable federal regulations.

Registration, inspection and insurance are specifically waived under state law.

A driver of a golf cart must possess a valid driver license.

A golf cart follow the same traffic laws as cars.

For more details and guidelines, visit <u>www.mckinneytexas.org/Golf</u> <u>Carts</u>



COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE

This event is scheduled for Saturday, May 12th. A permit is required and one can be obtained by visiting the Development Services Building at 221 N. Tennessee St or by sending an email with your name, address and the date of the garage sale to: garagesale@mckinneytexas.org.

The City of McKinney will begin a 10-year water service line replacement project in April to replace failing copper lines contributing to water loss within the city. The program will replace nearly 14,500 copper service lines with more durable polyethylene pipe (poly pipe). These service lines represent 54% of the city's 27,000 service connections. The premature failure of the copper service lines is mainly due to the deterioration of substandard copper material and aggressive soil in the region, which contributes to the average monthly water loss of 23% McKinney experiences. Any water loss in this line segments does not affect water usage billing for homeowners or businesses.

The city is taking a proactive approach to replace more than 14,500 copper water service lines with more durable polyethylene pipe (poly pipe). These service lines connect underground water distribution mains to water meters. A water meter is generally located near the street, between the water main and a home or business.

Crews will work street by street throughout the city replacing service lines, taking approximately two weeks per street. Work will typically be conducted on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Water service will be interrupted for short periods of time.

Door hangers will be distributed to affected customers before work begins on a street. Watch for signs and utility line detection flags in your area.

The Villages of Eldorado II website contains helpful information about the community including Modification Request form, community Guidelines and more.

Visit us at: www.villagesofeldorado.org Registration Code: 6967



TRASH CONTAINTER REMINDER

Trash containers may be placed out for pick up the **evening** before and removed by 8:00 a.m. the day of pick up. Containers will not be permitted to remain out between pick ups, regardless of holidays or other reasons

Why Does Our Community Need a Reserve Fund?

Equipment and major components (like a bridge) must be replaced from time to time, regardless of whether we plan for the expense. We prefer to plan and set the funds aside now. Reserve funds aren't an extra expense; they just spread out expenses more evenly. There are other important reasons we put Association monies into reserves every month:

Reserve funds meet legal, fiduciary, and professional requirements. A replacement fund may be required by:

Any secondary mortgage market in which the Association participates.

State statutes, regulations, or court decisions.

The community's governing documents.

Reserve funds provide for major repairs and replacements that we know will be necessary at some point in time. Although a bridge may be replaced when it's 25 years old every owner who lives in the community should share its replacement cost.

Reserve funds minimize the need for special assessments or borrowing. For most Association members, tis is the most import reason. Reserve funds enhance resale values. Lenders and real estate agents are aware of the ramifications for new buyers if the reserves are inadequate.

PLANNING AHEAD..... ALWAYS A GOOD IDEA!

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In order to communicate effectively, it's important to keep current information for each property owner and tenant.

If you own residential property and have an alternate mailing address, we urge you to submit your alternate address in writing. This also includes phone numbers and email addresses.

You can email dparker@ccmcnet.com to obtain a Homeowner Information Sheet.

SELLING YOUR HOME???

Additional questions or ready to request a certificate?

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