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BAKERSFIELD EVENTS

OCTOBER 2018

Every Day	October Fun-Fest at Murray Family Farms
Oct. 1st – Nov. 7th	12 p.m. – 8 p.m. The Big Red Barn, 6700 General Beale Road, Bakersfield
Friday 12th	Downtown Street Party
	7 p.m. – 11 p.m. Wall Street Alley, between H and Eye streets
Fri. – Sun. 19th – 21st	27 th Annual Bakersfield Fall Home Show
	Fri. 12 p.m. – 7 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.; Sun. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Kern County Fairgrounds, 1142 South "P" Street
Tues. — Wed. 30th — 31st	Safe Halloween
	5 p.m. – 9 p.m. Kern County Museum, 3801 Chester Avenue

Reporting Crime/Non-Emergency

Owners and residents are reminded to file a police report if you have been a victim of theft in the community. In addition, please notify the guard station by calling (661) 871-5613.

Multiple thefts were reported recently, however, some Owners / residents may not report the incident for multiple reasons. Individuals are encouraged to report any crime, non-emergency, so appropriate precautions may be taken; for emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

Always keep your home's doors and windows locked when you go to bed or leave your house, even if you are leaving for short period.

Secure all lawn and gardening equipment in your garage or a storage shed and keep your garage doors closed -

October 2018

See You Later, Summer!

It's that time of year – you've exchanged your swimsuit for long sleeves and jeans just in time to prepare your home for cooler weather. As we watch summer fade into the sunset, consider adding the following items to your winterization checklist, and ensure your home is in tip-top shape for the fall and winter seasons.

- Update your window treatments. Summer's venetian blinds and sheer curtain panels won't keep the frigid air from creeping in on a cold night. Consider switching to a denser curtain fabric for the winter months to keep your home feeling cozy and keep heating bills low.
- Schedule appliance check-ups. Your HVAC system, air ducts and hot water heater should be checked by a licensed professional to ensure all elements are in good shape for the change in weather – especially if any appliances worked overtime during summer months.
- Don't forget the attic. Check for leaks in the roof, possible cracks in attic windows and insufficient insulation. With the help of a licensed professional or advice from your local home improvement store staff, you can shield your attic from harsh weather.
- Replace weather stripping. Doors and windows need extra help to hold heat inside your home. Inspect all door and window perimeters for cracks or tears in your current weather stripping. You also can add a second layer of protection with temporary weather stripping applied overtop your existing seals.
 - Deep clean and declutter. Thoroughly clean your home's nooks and crannies inside and out.

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Holiday Decorations

Holiday decorations are permitted on your Lot; however, decorations of any type are not permitted in the common area. The common area includes, but is not limited to, landscaping, streets, drives, walkways, fences and any other areas maintained by the Association. Any decorations found in the common area will be removed at the Owner's expense.

All decorations are permitted up to 15 days prior to the holiday and must be removed within 10 days after the holiday. All decorations celebrating holidays in December and January must be removed by January 10th each year.

Continued – Reporting Crime/Non-Emergency

- at all times (even when you're doing work around the house).

Always remember to close your car windows, take any valuables out of your car, and lock the doors every time you exit your vehicle, even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway. Also, remember to remove your garage door remotes.

Get to know your neighbors. Let a trusted neighbor know if you are planning to take a trip or leave for a day-long activity. Neighbors who know each other look out for each other!

Also, remember to save your social media posts about your trip until AFTER you return home.

Source: Bakersfield Police Department, Community Relations

Continued – See You Later, Summer!

Ensure electrical cords, outlets and air vents are dust- and clutter-free; tidy up garages and storage areas; and clear any debris from your home's exterior, especially around vents and drains.