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"Freedom of the Press belongs to those who own one."

A. J. Liebling of the New Yorker

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Hidden Meadows Contractors

These are the contractors we have personally used or that we will use when needed. Included are the vendors Dolphin Realty uses for the maintenance of the homes we manage as Property Managers.

Wherever possible we used Meadows residents. Obviously, there are excellent people who did not make our list simply because we have not used them, so this is not an exhaustive list.

Here is the list (in alphabetical order by trade):

Air Conditioning and Heating: We have always had good service from Ned Davis of Air King in Escondido. 760-739-8750.

Appliances: Pacific Sales (868-207-5000) in Rancho Bernardo, and Western Wholesale Appliances (760-743-7677) in Escondido.

Automotive Repair: Anthony of Auto Technique at 141 Andreasen Drive, Suite B. You can call Anthony at 760-738-5120.

Computer Repair: Most Meadows businesses, and residents use Rod Chan. Rod is a former student of mine when I was a Core Adjunct Professor of Computer Science at a local university. Reached at 760-740-8533.

Construction/Major renovation: Phil Weatherly is terrific with high-end homes. He can both design and build great homes...he built the largest and most expensive home in the Meadows. 760.433.7842

Custom Cabinets: Bill Gagnon is simply better than superb. (Call me to see my Koa wood home office!) 619-392-1850

Dental and Dental Surgery: Dr. Rabee McDonald has a regular Dental practice at 1060 E. Grand Ave. in Escondido (747-1811) for normal dental work, and her husband -- who is both a Medical Doctor and a Dental Surgeon at the North County Oral & Facial Surgery Center at 488 East Valley Parkway in Escondido. (760-432-8888)

Drywall and popcorn removal: We used Scott Wilson (Scott Frywall) of Vista, at 760-758-6202.

Dry Cleaning Station even has pick up and deliver in the Meadows. 555 W. Country Club Lane. 747-0066.

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Electrician: Extreme Electric (Justin) -- Meadows Resident, all sorts of electrical Cell -- 807-7699.

Estate Sales: We have known Kay Chambers for many years, and we trust her. Her number is 858-672-3242.

Flooring: Rancho Bernardo Flooring. We have used them for decades, for good reasons. Their floors grace many of the fine homes in RB and North Poway. They can be reached at 858-395-8814.

Granite: Arizona Tile at 7415-A Carroll Road off Miramar Road has such a huge selection, that you will find every granite slab you need there. Take in samples of your floor and cabinets, and they can help.

Granite installation: Ken Davis has the reputation of "the best in the business", and his work was excellent! Ken Davis can be reached at Davis Stone, 760-745-7881.

Housecleaning: Pam has been our housecleaner for many years...she also cleans our office, and our RB office. She has become a family member. 749-5099.

Interior Design: Kathy Machir – a Meadows resident. We could not have done our remodel without her. She has a terrific eye, and the ability to listen to the needs of the client instead of just doing it “her way.” 751-1937.

Landscape, brick and pond projects: Eladio Nunez, a Meadows resident for 26 year. His work throughout the Meadows is very visible, and speaks for itself. He has a great eye for outside design. 749-8674 (night) or 807-5726 (day).

Leather and Vinyl Repair: Roy Kebeirman of Roy's Interior Restoration specializes in dying and repairing automobile interiors. 760-583-6483

Painting (Interior): We successfully used Ivan Espinoza, 619-921-9821, both in our home and in our office.

Plumbing and Solar Heating: Greg Meek of Escondido. Greg has always been quick in his response, and he has done a lot of work for us. His number is 760-480-9100.

Roof: Bob Piva Roofing in Escondido. They are family-owned and have been in local business for decades. Roy Kebeirman of Roy's Interior Restoration 760-745-4700.

Solar Tube: Many (most?) Hidden Meadows homes are unnecessarily dark. The market calls for “light, bright, and white.” Solartubes are a good and inexpensive answer. You can reach them at Solatube-Brighter Concepts, 760-602-3223.

Sprinkler design and installation – landscape maintenance: Eladio Nunez is excellent at 807-5726 (Day phone.)

Windows and Doors: The Window Factory. Great job, installed quickly and responsive to needed changes. It is truly amazing what new dual-pane windows can do for climate and noise control. 760-918-9500.

Wood stove installation and chimney sweep: The Pot Bellied Shop in Ramona is the answer. 760-789-4567. We have used them for 10 years.

This is a truncated list. For recommendations on subjects not included, please call me at 760-749-2654.



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