Del Webb



CERT Monthly Safety Tip

Are You Leaving for the Summer?

As you prepare to leave, here are some tips to consider :

- Hire a home watch company and a service to install hurricane shutters if needed
- Remove valuables; lock/secure all doors, windows, sliders, garage door, etc.; arm house alarm
- Close blinds; set lights to be on/off at different times
- Clean kitchen; remove food items; empty/turn off icemaker; empty trash cans
- Shut off water at main, if possible, or close valves to washing machine, dishwasher, sinks, toilets, etc.
- Use sink/bath plugs to reduce water evaporation from trap and possible sewer gas smell
- **U** Turn off or unplug non-essential electrical appliances
- **Check smoke and CO detectors; replace all batteries**
- □ Service air conditioner. Set to 75-80 degrees
- Move all outside items or accessories to the garage
- Notify the HOA when the house will be vacant and provide contact information in case of an emergency
- Give close friends or neighbors your travel schedule
- If shipping a car, remove toll pass to avoid toll fees

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