



Selecting a Contractor

Who will you use to wield the hammer on your home? That is not an easy question, so to help you weed through a good versus a bad contractor, here are a few questions you should ask about the potential contractor.

1. How long have you been in business?
2. Who will be the project manager/supervisor for the job?
3. Do you have design/architect services available?
4. Do you have a list of references for projects that are similar to mine?
5. Does your company carry workers compensation and liability insurance? Ask for proof of insurance.
6. What percentage of your business is repeat or referral business?
7. Will we need a permit for this project?

The above questions will become very helpful when choosing a company to complete one of the biggest investments that you will make.

Energy Saving Starts at Home & Here are Some Helpful Hints

1. Check caulking and weather-stripping, and repair where necessary.
2. Close your foundation vents in the winter if there's a crawl space under your home.
3. Wrap your hot water heater in an insulating jacket.
4. Clean or replace filters on forced air-furnaces, seal flues in fireplaces you don't use, install drapes or some other covering on windows, and seal holes around plumbing and heating pipes.

Going Green and saving money

1. Set thermostats a few degrees lower in the winter and a few degrees higher in the summer.
2. Wash clothes in Cold water whenever possible.
3. If you are using a dryer, consider adding dryer balls to cut drying time.
4. Install low-flow shower head.
5. Make sure you have a faucet aerator on each faucet. These inexpensive appliances conserve heat and water while keeping water pressure high.
6. Donate or recycle all your electronics such as; cell phones, computers and other electronics.

Upcoming Events

Sarah's House 17th Annual Golf Tournament is happening at Compass Pointe Golf Course, September 28th, 2009, 9am Shotgun.

Per Golfer Registration Fee: \$130 before September 12th & \$150 after September 12th
Per Group Registration Fee: \$250/twosome & \$500/foursome

For anyone who would like to play or sponsor this tournament, please call Kelley McNey 240-372-5525 or email Kelley@smcneyandcompany.com for more information.

Please check out our new company website at www.smcneyandcompany.com.

Wishing you and your families all the best and have a great summer!

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Steve McNey & Company, LLC has 100% repeat and referral business.