Homeownership is the American Dream but owning a home requires a lot of regular maintenance tasks to keep the investment in good shape. I am including a list of service companies and maintenance people who can help you, if you are not a DIY person.

"Who are you going to call to take care of things around your home?" I have put together quite an extensive list in a semi-alphabetical order and including:

air conditioning service, animal critter control/removal; awnings; dryer vent cleanouts; electricians; fireplace service; generators; handymen: including repairs, cleaning, and power washing; home clean outs including furniture removal and charity donation pick ups; home warranties, lanai screens/gutters; mobile car detailing; painters; plumbers; pool service; pool builders; roof cleaning and inspections; tree trimming and/or removal and window and drape cleaning and septic services.

Hope you find this helpful info and PLEASE let know if you have a service company and/or vendor to recommend. I have not evaluated lawn mowing services (so many!)

# **Air Conditioning Services**

Air filters need to be clean/replaced yearly. Always schedule service on air conditioners yearly.

We have used *Bay Area* for years: <a href="https://bayareacool.com/">https://bayareacool.com/</a> 888-324-4033

# Air Pros of Ocala (352) 354-3515

BD Recommendation: "Installed complete new ductwork, including a new feed to a previously unfed room, 18 inches of new attic and garage insulation and a new Carrier air conditioner, a two stage ultra-violet air scrubber, new air handler, new base and new wiring in one day, very next day of call. I won't scare you with what we spent, but the house is very comfortable, the air is incredibly clean, and we've added to the value."

# Worthington Air Conditioning and Heating...

https://worthingtonacandheat.com/ 352-220-9815

# Aluminum & Gutter LANAI SCREEN REPLACEMENT/

While a handyman may be able to repair and replace individual screening tears, lanai screens are meant to last eight years.

Blackshears Aluminum; Crystal River, 352-795-9722; https://www.blackshears.com/

Screen Monkey 352-746-7091

*Mike's Rescreen & Gutter, LLC. 352-364-7506.* He even wipes all the supporting frames down with wd40 so they look new.

Gutters were installed by **Nature Coast Gutter (352) 464-0114.** Beautiful work by a fatherson team. Very reasonable cost.

C & C Gutter Solutions 352-257-5812; several recommendations

# <u>ANIMAL/CRITTER REMOVAL</u>

Trapper King; https://www.trapperking.com/; 888-991-5464; Brian

The Gopher Man, from Brooksville, Johnny Loose, 1-352-279-0201

# **AWNING:**

Canvas Experts 8279 W. Homosassa Trail, Homosassa, (352) 628-9110

# **APPLIANCE REPAIRS:**

Johnson Appliance Service Don't Replace it. Let me Repair it! Same Day Service \* 51 Years Exp, I repair • Washers • Dryers; Air Conditioning; Refrigerators • Water heaters; Dishwashers - Garbage Disposals. LOW Overhead...LOW Prices. Tim 352.145.0072

Charlie of Charlie Appliances — Inverness — Monday thru Thursday 8am-4pm, Friday 8am-12noon.(recommended by Brad Welch-former repair serviceman.

# **AUTO SERVICE EMERGENCY 24 HOUR TIRE REPAIR:**

Bay Breeze on the Go Mobile (Tire and Repair) 352-679-1449

<u>Cleaning Services: Clean Drapes and Blinds</u> (including Hunter Douglas Luminettes and Silhouettes): Don; 813-267-7376

# **COMPUTER SERVICES:**

COMPUTER WORKS: BOULES WAHBA; 352-249-6633.

# **ELECTRICIANS:**

Premier Electric; <a href="http://premierelectric.com/">http://premierelectric.com/</a> 239-598-2000

Gaudette Electric <a href="https://www.gaudetteelectric.com/coupon-savings/">https://www.gaudetteelectric.com/coupon-savings/</a>; 352-628-3064

I used Mister Sparky. 844-266-5933 <u>mistersparky.com</u> for some electrical work. I was given a \$219 estimate but only charged \$135 for the actual work done. Honesty you do not find everywhere. I would highly recommend them. (BD resident)

BD resident: Ask for Mike as your tech: *Malleys Electric*, 2085 S. Bascombe Ave, Homosassa, (352) 220-9326

# **FIREPLACE SERVICE:**

The Fireplace Advanced LLC, Vinny; 352-794-6589

Andersen Gas: https://andersongasservice.com/; Inverness; 352-344-1059

Flooring and Tile work: BAREFOOT FLOORING & Home Services 352-535-4797; barefootflooringhomeservices.com

**Garage Doors:** We have always had good service from Discount Garage Doors; 866-420-3667 Chris.

Nextdoor listing: Elderly couple had a problem with DGD and recommends: **JS Garage Door and Repair LLC** at jsgaragedoor01@gmail.com & facebook.com/installer named Joe Simmons at 352-201-7798.

# **GENERATOR:**

BD resident recommendation: *Trademark Electric* for the generator, 3621 N.W. 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue; Ocala, *(352)* 629-8617; (They are the authorized dealer for Generac generators)

<u>HANDYMEN FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD NEEDS: CLEANING, DRYER</u>
<u>VENTS; PRESSURE CLEANING, ETC.</u>

Many handymen can help with the <u>powerwashing</u> and cleaning of drives and lanai screens. I use Kevin Hurd but he and his partner Jeff can get busy, so I have developed a list of others, from other people's suggestions:

**Kevin Hurd, Handyman (352-220-0352)** 

**NEW: from BD resident:** Davo's 352 -651-2530 <u>Estradavidco@me.com</u>; And another number, 352 – 436- 7805. His business card reads, gutter cleaning, baseboards, sheet rock, finish carpentry, painting, wood floors, pressure washing and Window Cleaning. So, it is good to know there is another reliable Handyman around.

**NEW from BD resi**dent: ACE hardware gave me a card for a Handyman. His name is Joe Baldocchi, lives in Beverly Hills, and his number is 352-322-6386. He is responsive, a good communicator, reliable, and knows what he is doing or recommends someone who does. He was on time, fixed my problems, and his charges were fair and reasonable.

Jerry for pressure washing 352-212-8806

**Michael Dennison 352-261-6777;** Home Services; carpenter, painter, pressure washing; mdhomeservicesllc.com

Ivan Garrison of JVA Properties at 352-201-7136 (C-21 agent recommendation)

Honey Do Man Brian Havens 518-260-5603 (Century 21 agent recommendation)

The following were Recommended by the next-door.com website

Bob Beaulieu 352-587-5870.

Joey Valinoti 352-462-8160 —he's a Pine Ridge resident and licensed and insured

Erich Dean 352-586-8123

Nature Coast Maintenance Tony Davis 352-210-8107

Carlos Pavon 956-466-5866 He lives in Beverly Hills

Mark Michelbrink Do It All 260-417-8438 cell

Most of our clothes dryers are vented up through the roof...

Clean your dryer vent duct yearly to prevent fires and keep the dryer working more efficiently. A handyman may be able to do it...

**Stanley Steemer: 352-726-4646** I have them **deep clean my tile and grout** every year. And they clean dryer vents. *I also had them do the air duct cleaning.* 

# TILE CLEANER AND RESTORATION: mrsgrout.com; email:

hello@mrsgrout.com; 352-461-3832

# **HOME CLEAN OUTS:**

Lee Hans Clean Outs 352-212-8535 https://www.facebook.com/Leehans-clean-outs-110822870470621/

# **HOUSE CLEANER**: Busy Bee Cleaning Service Tina 518-321-1525

from BD & Nextdoor: Poshmaid call 352-501-8164 just posted a review about her Patricia has been doing my home in Black Diamond for a few months now and I just love her. Very efficient and professional. Give her a call

from C-21: Meghan Bender 813.245.3321 Southerncleaningbymeghan@gmail.com

# FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS TO GET RID OF? WANT TO SELL?

*Dudleys Auctions;* https://dudleysauction.com/concrete5-8.2.0/index.php; 352-637-9588

Citrus County Charities (some purchasing and accept donations); <a href="https://citruscountycharitiesinc.us/">https://citruscountycharitiesinc.us/</a>; 352-419-7900

**Second Time Around Furniture**; https://www.facebook.com/Second-Time-Around-urniture-1707517326135241/; **352-270-8803** 

# LOCAL PICK UP CHARITIES:

Daystar Life Center; <a href="https://daystarcitruscounty.org/">https://daystarcitruscounty.org/</a>; 352-795-8668

Habitat for Humanity ReStores (2 locations)

https://www.habitatcc.org/shop.php; 7800 W. Gulf to Lake Hwy; Crystal River, (352) 564-2300 and/or 3703 E. Gulf to Lake Hwy. Inver ness, (352) 341-1800

HOME WARRANTIES: Stay away from America Home Shield says a BD resident .

**Lighting Exterior (Landscape)** 

Enlightened Designs 352-694-9111 did the lites on my trees and back yard. Real pleased with their works and price. (BD resident)

# **Landscape/ Yard Work:**

My son does land clearing / bush hogging as well. Trimming limbs off roof edges. The storm has shut down his out of town clients fishing charters and is looking to pick up some work. Randall Lanier 352-789-5472 Let him know I referred you. Deanna, C-21 realtor

**Woodchuck Yard Service:** hauling, weed pulling, lawn service, stump grinding, gutter clean out, mulch laying, power washing, etc. James (681)208-3204

Alpha Exterior Cleaning: Exterior cleaning service: Chris Carr, 352-812-8322;

**Isiah Ross** 352-792-7350: Here's the list of work I do. Gutter cleaning, pressure washing, screen cleaning (pool cage cleaning) laying mulch /stone/pavers, hedge trimming, weed pulling, putting down liner to protect weeds from growing, cleaning fans and plant shelves (dust collectors), bush removal, small tree removal and decent sized stump removal.

Massage Therapy: Absolute Therapeutic Massage LLC; Robin; 989-329-7949

**MOVERS: DUNCAN FAMILY MOVERS LLC:** local and long distance, loading and unloading; packing and unpacking. Tony 352-364-7312

# **ODOR ELIMINATION:**

We specialize in removing unwanted odors from residential and commercial properties as well as numerous other areas. Our service uses Odor Elimination Technology with a Patented Delivery System to simply and truly clean, sanitize and deodorize the property. Some of the odors we can remove:Cigarette/Cigars, Animal odors, Mold/Mildew, Smoke/Burnt Cooking odors, Trauma/Decomposition. Troy Gronotte, **Odor Medics LLC 352-727-2175**.

# **PAINTERS**

The outside of your stucco home should be painted every eight years: A painter can also check the foundation and exterior walls for cracks and check for gaps around doors and windows and reseal them.

Several recommendations from BD residents:

Joshua Mancia, Painting and Pressure Washing, 786-714-3382, joshuaspaitingcc@gmail.com

Shane Burbank for painting 352-232-382

Alliance Painting, Scott Waldeck. He does both inside and outside jobs + whatever else you may want done. 352-628-9772 or his cell is 352-422-2339.

Bonnie: 352-364-6968

Tyler Duncan 352-455-3443

Painting, Wallpaper removal, repaint cabinets: JAN TIMMONS 352-436-7431, jan.timmons@aol.com

New

**PAINTER**. We have had several homes in our 53 year marriage and we have painted both inside and outside several homes. We just moved back to Terra Vista and we utilized Mr. Max Painting 352-270-7574 for painting the full inside in April and just had his crew paint our full exterior this past week. BEST PAINTERS EVER. Attention to details were outstanding. Extremely pleasant to work with. Pricing was very competitive to others. No short cuts. Very very professionals and I'd highly recommend to my neighbors.

**PHOTOGRAPHY:** May realtors use Ken and Sue for their real estate pictures. But they are expanding to include penal /pet photography. <a href="www.studio3photos.com">www.studio3photos.com</a> 352-513-3165

# **PLUMBERS**:

Montgomery Plumbing Inc, Tyler Montgomery, 352-436-7695

Tsacrios Plumbing; <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Bob-Tsacrios-Plumbing-lnc-116817698340930/">https://www.facebook.com/Bob-Tsacrios-Plumbing-lnc-116817698340930/</a>
352-621-7705

Manatee Plumbing: <a href="https://www.manateeplumbing.com/">https://www.manateeplumbing.com/</a>; 352-795-7473

**POOL BUILDERS:** 1 recommendation:

Aloha Pools; https://www.aloha-custompools.com/;352-419-4231

Pool Repair/ Resurfacing:

Tim's Tile and Marcite; 352-628-0184

Alan at A&S Tile. 352-302-2215

# Weekly Pool Service:

Nick Seymore; 352-423-3692 nick@ecopoolplus.com

<u>Pool repair contractor</u> (maybe the heater can be fixed and not have to be replaced?!)

Jim Schiedenhelm 352-232-5817, jsaes0702@msn.com

#### Powerwashing:

Used Wm. "Ted" Lawson and he did a great job cleaning my full cage. Highly recommend him. 352-302-0063

Rainy season starts in June and by March the roofs and driveways show the black algae :

# **ROOF CLEANERS:**

Roof looking black? That is black algae. Black driveways need to be cleaned more often, but once a roof is cleaned, and if treated with a retardant, you can go about three years before having to have it cleaned again. And love our screened lanais but not when they turn green! Make sure they cover your bushes when they spray!

We have used **Ken Nedzke** *Citrus Roof Cleaning and Property Maintenance* for our roof cleaning jobs. He uses no pressure and a biodegradable solution that he adds additional cleaning agents to (i.e. Dawn and Simple Green to name 2). The chemical does not harm the landscape (but cover the plants anyway it does zap them a bit). In our own experience, the zinc oxide treatment used as a retardant is worth the extra \$150-\$250 (depends on roof size). You can go a longer time for the next roof cleaning by applying it. Ken tries not to get on the roof, but some roof pitches require a minimal walk to get the entire roof and valleys cleaned. Ken does not believe in power washing roofs since the pressure can loosen and or remove the caulking. Using bleach is not good for the caulking either. (325-270-3927, <a href="http://citrusroofcleaning.com/">http://citrusroofcleaning.com/</a>)

Back2Bright. Check out their website, very informative on why to clean your roof! Many people do not realize how infested their roof really is because the spores gradually take it over and a lot of times the color changes uniformly. A good way to check is by looking at your sewer flues and vents. Most of them are galvanized, which means they were created using electrolysis which coats them with thin layer of zinc. The zinc oxide acts as a mold and mildew inhibitor. Therefore, when you look at the vents and flues on your home, you'll find the original color of your roof!... https://www.back2bright.com/ 352-445-4840

# **ROOF INSPECTIONS MAINTENANCE:**

Tile roofs are supposed to last for 35-50 years...but you do have to have them periodically inspected and have cracked, loose tiles replaced. Caulking is needed on all roofs...yes, even the metal roofs Vents on the roof can also be compromised as well... squirrels love to chew on areas up there. It seems lately, home inspectors are more and more checking that the roof valleys are not full of leaves which can cause water back up and eventually roof leaks.

Don Poss: https://www.facebook.com/Don-Poss-Roofing-Inc-716156871764511/

(352-270-3927)

Hise Roofing: 352-344-2442 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/hiseroofing">https://www.facebook.com/hiseroofing</a>

Boulerice Roofing: 352-628-7445 <a href="https://www.boulericeroofing.net/">https://www.boulericeroofing.net/</a>

Ledgewood Roofing 352-888-4825; <a href="https://ledgewoodroofing.com/">https://ledgewoodroofing.com/</a>

# **SEPTIC SERVICE & CLEAN OUT:**

A Able 352-795-1554

**Brooks Septic** 352-644-3341

Chet's Septic Service 352-637-1411

# <u>Tile and Flooring:</u>

Central Florida Tile and Stone. Jeff Stearns; 352-302-2215.

Barefoot Flooring and Home Services Llc: tile, vinyl, laminate, stone, flagstone...

352-535-4797; email:barefoorflooringservices@gmail.com

web: barefootflooringhomeservices.com

I like Stanley Steemer for cleaning.

# TREE TRIMMERS/REMOVAL:

JLH Tree Service 352-220-9407

Griffins Tree Service 352-249-6495

(2) Recommendations from BD residents: Claypool Tree Service Jeremy 352-201-7313

Craigs Tree Service. Have used him twice. Excellent work and very reasonable. (352) 302-9917

Sunbird Properties Maintenance; 352-232 9592 or 352-556-5991

**D&J Landclearing & More LLC**. " ... reaching out to our local realtors trying to expand our business. We offer land clearing, underbrush removal, tree removal & more..." <a href="https://www.landclearingdunnellon.com/">https://www.landclearingdunnellon.com/</a>; 352-209-5827

#### **NEW WINDOWS:**

TROPICAL WINDOWS, (352) 795-4226

# **WINDOW CLEANING:**

Chrissy's window cleaning 352-634-4838

Love and Lemons Cleaning Service; Brittney Wright; (352) 560-1993

Doug Shoaf; (352) 501-0402;

Nextdoor new recommendation;

I had the pleasure of hiring Austin and Brandon from *Brotherz Cleaning Service* to clean my windows, screens, and tracks, and I must say, they did an outstanding job! Punctuality seems to be their forte, as they arrived right on time and got straight to work. 362-860-6695

**Premier Pressure Washing** who was recommended on Nextdoor and he did good job our drive and lanai and the outside of our windows 352-257-5602.

# **WINDOW REPLACEMENT:**

I recently had all my windows replaced by **Superior Windows & Siding.** I can't say enough good things about the company. Competitive pricing, excellent workmanship, quality product and the owner/operator is very personable. 4 people on my block have used him and we are all happy customers!

Owner/Operator: Jesse Pardiso; 352-634-5812

P.S. I did not recommend lawn mowers ...it seems people find the person they like and keep.