Consumer Beware
Contractor Beware
Tips for Dealing with Fraudulent Contractors

Choosing a contractor can be difficult. There are many questions that should be asked before any work begins. Is this contractor licensed? Does this one have any experience? Is this contractor reputable? Here are a few tips to consider when choosing the right contractor.

- **Beware of unlicensed contractors** – Many contractors are not licensed. They do not possess a license that has been issued through the State CID (Construction Industry Division). Before work begins, ask for the contractor’s license number and verify that it is valid.

- **Beware of inexperienced contractors** – Many contractors do not have sufficient experience needed for quality, professional work. Ask for a detailed resume of completed jobs and check for references. Be sure to ask how long the contractor has owned and/or operated the business or how long he/she has been employed with the company. Experience is the key for a good quality job and for future service needed after the initial sale and installation.

- **Permitted Work** – Make sure the work performed is permitted through the correct City or State Agencies. For local Hobbs residents, work done within the city limits should be permitted through the City of Hobbs and work done outside the city limits should be permitted through the State of New Mexico.

If a contractor is not willing to provide his or her customers with this information, then this contractor is the WRONG contractor. The RIGHT contractor will be eager and willing to help his or her customers in any way possible. A few simple questions and several minutes of research beforehand can eliminate future problems and concerns.
Member Spotlight

"A heart felt appreciation and thank you to Hobbs and Lea County for 67 years of service to our friends and customers. Hobbs is a great place to serve in a business that the local folks support and trust. Miller Waldrop now has its fourth generation of family investing the business and the future of Hobbs."

Sincerely,
Beckey & Kent Waldrop

Miller Waldrop Furniture has been a member of the Hobbs Chamber of Commerce for over 50 years now.
Goose Bumps: The Science of Fear

January 25 through May 12

3K & 5K Color Me Run/Walk

Saturday April 6th
9AM-4PM

Harry McAdams Park

ATK Mentoring Program

All Day Family Fun!
Jumpys, Booths,
Food, Face Painting
And More!

For Registration:
Email: "I WANT IN" to ATKFUNRUN@GMAIL.COM
Come by: 1011 E Bender Hobbs NM
Call: 575-318-8059 or 575-942-9921
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**FRIDAY**
Gee Macker Registration
4:00 – 7:00 pm

**SATURDAY**
Gee Macker Registration
7:00 am – 12:00 pm
Gee Macker Opening Ceremonies & Tournament begins 8:00 am
Volleyball Tournament hosted by H.E.R.T. Volleyball
8:00 am in Boys & Girls Club
10 team limit.
H.O.R.S.E. Competition - All Day
Food Court & Kid’s Activities
Macielek Dancers: 10:30 am
Talent Show 11:00 am
J & J Rentals’ Slam Dunk Competition: 6:00 pm

**SUNDAY**
Gee Macker Tournament continues 8:00 am

**MAY 4TH - 5TH**

**REGISTER NOW!**
www.macker.com
$140/TEAM

Mail In Deadline: April 12th
Online Deadline: April 15th
Register for either event by calling:
575-397-9291

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Native Air
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Yumm

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Recent Events
**Mustangs honor Veterans**

USW held a military appreciation day Saturday afternoon at The Jake before the Mustangs and Houston Victoria game. USW brought out the veterans to home plate and recognized them with a plaque and standing ovation from the crowd. From left to right, USW skipper Steve Appel, USW athletic director Sean Gillespie, City Commissioner and Purple Heart recipient Dwayne Penick, Vietnam War veterans Darrell Powell, R.B. Buster Hill, Vietnam War veteran and Purple Heart recipient Lawrence Hill, and Hobbs Chamber of Commerce representative Kalee Birmingham.

**A new home**

Erich Kleinsteuber, CEO/president of Klein Automation & Electric Inc., cuts the ribbon Wednesday for the company's open house at its new location at 2415 N. French Drive in Hobbs. The company, founded by Kleinsteuber with one employee in 1993, has grown to 108 employees and more than 50 trucks. The full services electrical contractor serves industrial and commercial markets in southeastern New Mexico and West Texas, with its main office in Hobbs and one also in Odessa, Texas. “We are looking forward to working with our customers and continuing to grow the business to get us to the next level,” Kleinsteuber said of the new 3-acre location.
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