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## ▼ NEW MADISON PLACE NOW OPEN!

The McCaffrey Group continues to unveil new opportunities for exceptional living with the opening of the new Madison Place community in Northwest Fresno. While it has only just begun, Madison Place is already turning heads. With five beautifully decorated new single and two story model homes that range from 1,457 to 3,892 square feet and feature up to six bedrooms, four baths and three car garages, Madison Place promises to compliment every stage of life.

The homes have been designed with versatility. Courtyards, a prep kitchen, bonus rooms, master retreats, guest suites with full bath, hobby rooms, and two master suites are among the possibilities for room layouts.

The neighborhood showcases dramatic exterior styles of Tuscan, French Cottage and Craftsman architecture that includes a variety of brick, stone or rock, with inviting covered patios and front porches. Generous size lots that average 7,400 square feet offer plenty of space to plant a garden, play a game of catch or install a backyard pool.

We invite you to visit the Madison Place Welcome Center at Gettysburg and Hayes Avenues to tour the beautifully decorated model homes and to learn about this exciting new community. Visit us online at [mccaffreyhomes.com](http://mccaffreyhomes.com) or give us a call at (559) 276-3400. The Madison Place Welcome Center is open daily from 11 am to 6 pm.



• TIPS •

1.

Crumpled newspapers lining the vegetable compartments of a refrigerator will keep veggies crisp.

2.

To keep your extension cords from getting tangled, insert them into an empty toilet paper roll to store.

3.

New white canvas shoes will stay that way if you spray them heavily with starch.

4.

Before you wear a new garment, put a little clear nail polish on the front and back of each button. Buttons will stay on longer when their threads are sealed.

▼ OUR RED, WHITE *and* BLUE BARN



Wishing everyone a happy Fourth of July from our family of companies!

It seems fitting in our summer issue with the upcoming Fourth of July celebration that we include some mention of our red, white and blue barn that sits at Highway 41 and Avenue 12 in Madera County.

The McCaffrey Group is proud to support our country. To express our patriotism, we painted our barn red, white and blue. The barn has a total of fifty stars and six stripes, three red and three white, all of equal width.

Our family of companies hopes that in some small way this barn stands as a reminder of our gratitude and heartfelt thanks to live in the land of the free.

? Local Did *you* Know ?

1. Did you know that Central Unified's new Harvest Elementary School is scheduled to open this August at the Koligian Education Center located at Grantland and Ashlan Avenues?
2. Did you know that Central Unified is in design for the new middle school that will be built at the Koligian Education Center?
3. Did you know that the community center planned for Loma Vista at Shaw and DeWolf Avenues, in Clovis's Southeast urban village, is designed with a park and amphitheatre for outdoor concerts and plays?
4. Did you know that the City of Fresno has plans for a new park near Gettysburg & Hayes Avenues that will be universally designed for both the able bodied and disabled alike & will include a water feature, walking trail & rubberized baseball diamond?
5. Did you know that Monviso, the name of our corporate headquarters, is named after a mountain in the Italian Alps that means Stone King?

## ► DREAMS *to* REALITY EVENT

Fluctuating rates. Confusing credit scores. Mountains of paperwork. We know how difficult and confusing it can be to find the perfect home loan. We can help.

Join us on Saturday, June 23rd, as we host our “Dreams To Reality” event at the Hampton Renaissance model complex from noon to 4 pm. Meet personally with our friendly, knowledgeable loan experts. Get a free loan prequalification. Learn how to read a credit report. Best of all, find out which of our beautiful homes best fits your family’s budget and dreams.

The event will also include complimentary food and refreshments along with a live radio remote broadcast with Laurie West of ALICE 96.7 from 1pm-3pm. For more information visit the Hampton Renaissance model complex at Shaw and Locan in Clovis or call (559) 322-7533.

McCaffrey Home Mortgage, helping you realize your dreams!



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## Calendar *of* Events

### June

Dreams To Reality Event  
June 23rd  
12 pm – 4 pm  
Hampton Renaissance  
Model Complex  
Shaw & Locan

### July

Fresno Grizzlies Team Visit  
July 21st  
11 am – 1 pm  
Hampton Renaissance  
Model Complex  
Shaw & Locan



Parker, the Fresno Grizzlies mascot will again visit.

## TROPICAL SUMMER SALAD

An unusual and delicious combination that goes great with grilled chicken or anything barbequed!

- 2 cups diced tomatoes
- 2 cups diced pineapple
- 1 cup sliced hearts of palm
- 4 scallions, sliced
- 1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

Combine ingredients in a bowl and keep chilled until ready to serve.

# seasonal care



## • TIPS •

As summer approaches you can take a few key steps to ensure your home serves you well through the coming months. Please take time to check these items in and around your home and attend to any that need maintenance.

### Exterior:

- 1) Adjust sprinkler timer for season
- 2) Check for standing water around foundation
- 3) Inspect sprinkler heads for proper operation
- 4) Inspect landscaping drainage swales and drain lines for positive drainage
- 5) Inspect exterior painted surfaces
- 6) Check operation and tighten bolts on roll-up garage doors monthly
- 7) Monitor A/C condensation lines
- 8) Maintain monthly insect control

### Interior:

- 1) Change return air filters monthly
- 2) Inspect plumbing fixtures for leaks
- 3) Inspect all tile surfaces - re-grout or re-caulk as needed
- 4) Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- 5) Test and reset Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (G.F.C.I.) breakers
- 6) Weather permitting, open windows to allow cross ventilation

Installed components may vary for each model and/or community. This list of recommended care tips does not cover all of the required maintenance on your home. Should you have questions please refer to your Home Care Guide, or contact our office at (559) 256-7000 for information.

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## ▼ CHECK OUT *our new* INTERACTIVE WEBSITE

The McCaffrey Group has a new online look and an additional online address. For your convenience, we recently added [mccaffreyhomes.com](http://mccaffreyhomes.com) as a web address. Now you may visit us at either [mccaffreygroup.com](http://mccaffreygroup.com) or [mccaffreyhomes.com](http://mccaffreyhomes.com) to see what's new.

The new site is interactive and easy to use as you can view the various room layouts and architectural styles of each floor plan with the click of a mouse. Take a look around to learn about our exciting current and new neighborhoods. Sign up to be included on future mailings, review our homeowner center with seasonal care tips, customer service FAQ's, or to send a service request. Find out how to receive a \$1,000 McCaffrey "thank you" for referring your friends and family. Review the step by step guide of the home building and home buying paths, along with helpful tips for personalizing your new home, and an assortment of mortgage calculators to meet your needs.



Visit our new interactive website at  
[mccaffreyhomes.com](http://mccaffreyhomes.com)

It's all online at the simple click of a mouse. Come see for yourself why The McCaffrey Group is fully committed to helping you come home to family values