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Video Your Personal Belongings

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In recent years the price of video cameras has come down so low that many households have one. Even if you haven't gotten around to buying one yet, you probably know someone who has one or you can rent one for a very reasonable price.

Most are very simple to operate and don't require any skilled training. The microphone is built into most of the cameras and some don't even require additional lighting.

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Have someone help you with this simple project. One of you can man the camera and the other can identify different objects in each room. Describe each item as you go along and if it has a serial number or other identifying mark, be sure to mention it.

Open all closet doors to show what the contents are and briefly mention different things. You can't believe how helpful this can be after a loss because many times you don't miss something for months after a claim is filed because you might not use an item very often.

Once the video tape has been made, you might want to even make a duplicate of it and put one copy either in a safety deposit box or at work or give it to a friend or relative for safe keeping.

Don't worry about being Steven Spielberg. You aren't trying to win an Oscar for this tape but just protect your possessions from loss. However, do have fun doing it.

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