

New energy warranty

Mississauga, Ont. August 21, 1987 - while many homeowners recognize the comfort and dollar benefits of an energy efficient home, they continue to postpone retrofit work because they are skeptical about who to turn to for quality energy renovation work. Now their fears are being allayed by the Energy Conservation Contractors Warranty Corporation (EC-CWC), a non-profit, industry-run organization which guarantees homeowners complete satisfaction on any products or services purchased to improve home energy efficiency.

EC-CWC was formed by the National Energy Conservation Association (NECA) with assistance from Energy, Mines and Resources Canada to help build confidence in the retrofit industry. A member of the Consumers Association of Canada sits on the board of directors.

Providing \$1000 deposit coverage and \$5000 job completion, material and workmanship coverage, the national Warranty includes coverage on windows, doors, thermal insulation, insulated siding and even warning and control devices such as humidistats and gas detectors.

Registered contractors must demonstrate sound business ethics, technical competence, financial stability and quality work. They also must participate in state-of-the-art training in energy conservation.

Should a homeowner be unable to resolve a problem with a registered contractor, EC-CWC will ask the homeowner to pay a \$100 refundable conciliation fee, and an impartial inspection service will be assigned to investigate. If the homeowner's complaint is valid, EC-CWC will ensure the work is corrected and completed to the homeowner's satisfaction, and refund the conciliation fee.

Since the Warranty began enrolling homes in Spring 1987, 45 contractors have qualified, while another 55 applications are at the approval stage.

Homeowners or contractors interested in obtaining a brochure about the program or a list of registered contractors in their area should call this toll-free number: 1-800-268-2319.

Royal LePage is expanding

Toronto - Royal LePage has announced a major expansion to its network of residential real estate offices in Canada.

As part of the \$10 million program, Royal LePage will add 20 new branch offices across Canada during the next 18 months, creating as many as 600 new jobs. In addition to the new facilities, many existing offices are being upgraded, enlarged or relocated.

"Although we are already Canada's largest realtor, we see opportunities to offer our services to more Canadian consumers and significantly increase our market share," says Ozzie Jurock, President, Royal LePage Residential Real Estate Services.

"The expansion is also indicative of our confidence in the Canadian economy and the future of the residential housing markets across the country," Jurock adds.

All 20 of the new branch offices are planned to be in operation by year-end 1988.

Eight offices are planned in Ontario, seven in Quebec, three in B.C., and one each in Alberta and Newfoundland.

"Of course, the simple fact of opening new offices doesn't guarantee an increase in market share," adds Jurock. "This is why we are also making a major investment in a new, consumer-oriented computer system which will be fully

operational in most of our offices across the country by the end of 1987. In addition, we will be introducing a number of other new and innovative consumer programs that are currently under development.

"In any business, a head start doesn't last very long; you have to work very hard to maintain the respect and confidence of consumers. But Royal LePage has always set the standard for ex-

cellence in service to real estate consumers, and we have every intention of maintaining this tradition. The concept of the pre-approved mortgage, which Royal LePage introduced in Canada in 1985, is typical of our commitment to providing consumers more and better services."

With the 20 new branches, Royal LePage will have over 330 residential office locations in Canada.

Recycled household waste helps the environment

KLEINBURG - Recycling your garbage saves energy and helps the environment. Find out how to start your own household recycling project by joining Recycling: The Second Time Around, weekends in September, at the Kortright Centre for Conservation, Kleinburg.

The City of Toronto has a recycling program. Last year, the city recycled the equivalent of 52,000 trees in old newspapers collected during roadside pick-ups.

Recycling scrap metal can also make a difference - it takes 75 per cent less energy to make steel from scrap than from iron ore.

Recycling: The Second Time Around provides audio-visual presentations, displays and practical ideas on how to recycle household waste.

Also during September, Kortright presents A Taste of Honey, a beekeeping demonstration, on weekends from 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., including Labor Day.

In addition, the Humber Valley Day Hike will be offered on Sunday, Sept. 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. This guided walk will explore the natural and historical heritage of the Humber River.

The Kortright Centre is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located three kilometres west of Highway 400 and Canada's Wonderland, south of Major Mackenzie Drive, on Pine Valley Drive. For more information, call (416) 661-6600.

END ROLLS OF NEWSPRINT

Great for moving, scrap paper for the kids, Nursery Schools, etc.

CALL 877-2201

the HERALD

Home Newspaper of Halton Hills - Est. 1888
45 Guelph St., Georgetown

FOR SALE

USED ALUMINUM PRESS PLATES

Great for roofing sheds, lining outbuildings, protecting tree trunks from rodents and preventing cats and small animals from climbing into bird feeders. They have numerous home improvement uses including hot and cold air runs for heating and cold air systems as well as insulation under cottages or behind new walls.

SIZES: 23 1/16" x 30" or 23 1/16" x 35"

3 FOR \$1.00

(While Supplies Last)

theHERALD

Home Newspaper of Halton Hills - Established 1888

CALL 877-2201

HERALD

WE ARE DEDICATED TO SERVICE

We have asked our carriers to complete their deliveries as early as possible each week.

If your Herald is not delivered to your home please phone our circulation department.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT HOURS:

For your convenience the Circulation Department is open from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday.

WE'LL DELIVER TO YOUR HOME 877-2201

REAL ESTATE



...are worth more than just a quick glance.

Have you taken a good look at our Real Estate pages lately? You'll be surprised at just how many ads we publish.

When it comes to Real Estate, "the more the merrier" is true! More potential buyers...more sellers! More people advertising things "for sale"...and somehow, we get more people looking!

That's the way it works! It takes both buyers and sellers...and we've got them by the thousands!

Buying or selling, the first place to look is in our Real Estate Pages!

Real Estate
OUTLOOK