

Say You Saw It In . . .

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Know how to avoid a fire Holiday season can be deadly

It only takes an unguarded or careless moment for a fire to start; but its effects can be devastating, even deadly: property destroyed and people robbed of their livelihood or a loved one.

According to the Canada Safety Council, which organizes an annual Fire Prevention Week (to be held this year from Nov. 24 to 30), fire breaks out somewhere in Canada every eight minutes and 10 people are injured or killed by fire everyday. A majority (85 per cent) of these fires occur in homes and most are caused by cooking equipment, smokers' materials or electrical and heating equipment. Safety Council statistics also show that the holiday season has a higher than normal incidence of fire-related deaths.

Fortunately, there are precautions you can, and should take to protect yourself and your property from the ravages of fire. First and foremost, install a smoke and/or heat detector on each level of your home and outside each bedroom. While these devices greatly reduce the risk of perishing in a fire, be warned: you must test them regularly and replace their batteries once a year.

"If you have a monitored alarm system, it can be hooked up to specially-designed smoke and/or heat detectors. Should there be a fire, a message will be instantly relayed to the alarm company, which will immediately notify the fire department. This will save valuable time, and possibly your life," says Stephen Millen, Manager of Marketing

and Public Relations at ADT Security Services Canada, Inc., a security company that has been in operation for more than 100 years.

To guard against an electrical fire, don't overload electrical sockets and have the wiring of an old home checked to make sure that it meets current building codes. In the kitchen, unplug heat producing appliances such as toasters, kettles, and electric frying pans when they're not in use and check cords for frayed or exposed wires. Also, never leave grease cooking unattended and keep stove top and burner pans clean.

When purchasing a fire extinguisher, make sure that it can be used for both grease and electrical fires. Learn how to operate it and keep it next to the stove. Most important, be prepared. Practice a fire escape plan with your family and ensure that everyone knows that if the smoke and/or heat detector goes off or someone shouts "Fire" they should evacuate the premises immediately.

Escaping a fire can be especially dangerous for tenants of high-rise apartment buildings. "If you hear the fire alarm, feel the door and make sure that it is not hot, which could indicate the fire is burning on the other side. And when leaving your apartment exit the building by the nearest stairwell; never use the elevator!" cautions Millen.

When the cold weather arrives, it's time to be especially vigilant against heat equipment fires. Clean and service

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- 97 acres, open spaces, treed, excellent farm and recreational property. \$189,000.
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NEW PRICE



Georgetown Park Area. \$299,000

Location, curb appeal & price!
4 bdrms, 5 WRS. Two bdrms have 3 pc suites. Walk to hospital, schools, churches, park, library, art gallery & GO. Large ~ square Fam rm with FP & w/o. Cement drwy. Expensive metal shingles

Reduced



Campbellville Estate. ~ 5ac

Stone on ~5 ac on quiet rd with access to 401. Great Rm w 4 sided stone FP. 2 cir staircases to 2nd floor balcony. Fab kit. 2nd kit in Fam Rm. MF 5th bdrm suitable for office. Pool. Marley roof. Ground source heat pump. Near M GO.

\$389,000



Milton 1819 Farm. \$389,000

Running Brook Farm, approx. 66 scenic acres. Solid stone & rubble stone home renovated in the 60's. Spring fed pond feeds Blue Spings Creek. Bank barn (40' x 60') SE of Rockwood & ~12 min N of 401. Adjacent 2ac, \$89,000.

\$278,500



Erin Hobby Farm. ~ 16 acres \$278,500

Gracious country home with 4 bdrm, 2WRS. Backs onto Nature Rail Trail. 2 ponds. Barn with hydro & water. Dog run. Close to schools & shopping. Excellent well. 20 min. to G'town GO

\$399,900



Halton Hills ~11ac. \$399,900

Minutes to Hwy 401. 1406 ft frontage. 4 large bdrms. Fam Rm with wood stove. Ceramic & parquet floors. 2 wells. Steel shed: 36' x 24' + 200 amp. 3 plum, 3 apple trees. Parking for many vehicles.

\$129,900



Brampton, 320 Mill St. S

Kanefff open concept 1 bdrm+sol facing E, o/l green space. 24 hr sec. Close to all amenities. 2 pkg, 1 locker. Exercise rm; i/d pool; rec rm; sauna; squash/racquet/tennis court. Prof decor, past 3 mos. Cab along side breakfast area & laundry rm; verticals; Fr doors & 5 appl. Shows 10+

Excellent loc.



Mississauga

Min to all amenities: schools, Credit Valley Hosp, Erin Mills Town Centre, 403 & QEW. Eat-in kit with w/o to deck & large fenced yard. Many upgrades: ceramics, trim, CAC, CVAC, oak kit cabinets, deck, interlock walk, extra long lot backing onto trail.

\$217,000



Georgetown "Park Area" \$217,000

Charming, with character in "Park Area". Spacious LR with FP & bow window. Maple hrdwd floors on MF. Formal DR with walkout to deck. Reno kit. & WR. 3+bdm. MBR with 2pc. Sep. 1 bdrm in-law. Most windows & doors upgraded. Hi-eff Carrier furnace, 93. Shows 10++.



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