

## Winterize your home

The first snow of winter has come and gone, and many people still haven't thought about protecting their homes from the icy grasp of winter. This is important, because after all, you want your home to provide the maximum amount of warmth and comfort at a reasonable cost.

By doing a few relatively simple things in and around your home now, you can avoid unpleasant surprises down the road, and possibly reduce your heating costs at the same time.

Reducing drafts and heat loss by caulking and weatherstripping for instance, can have a major impact on the energy efficiency of your home.

Test windows and doors

To see if your home could use some reinforcement, try testing your windows and doors to see how they stand up.

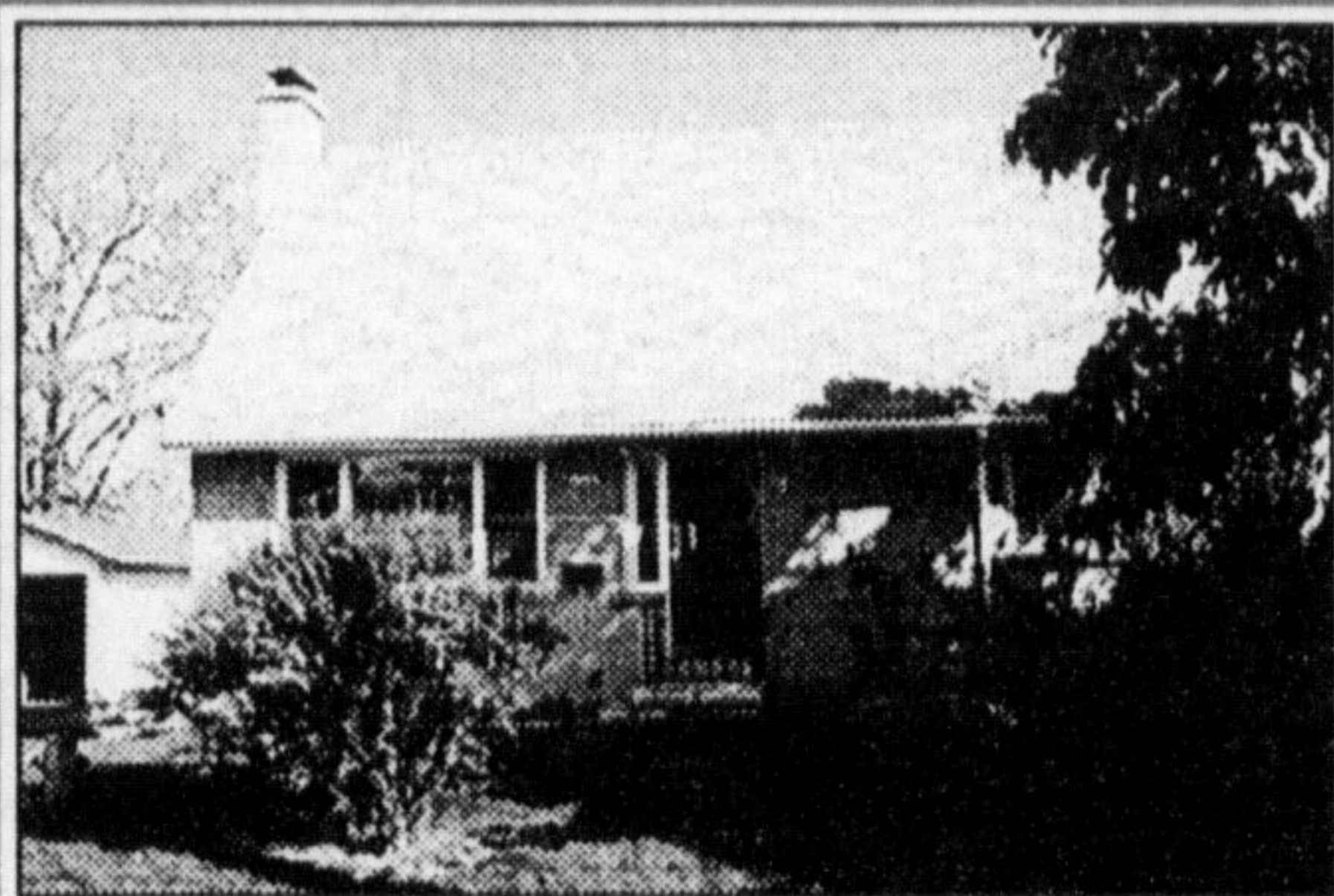
Take a feather or a piece of tissue paper and hold it around the edges of your doors and windows. If you detect movement in the feather or tissue, chances are you're losing some heat through poor seals or cracks. And this, of course, translates directly into higher heating bills.

If you find that you do have leaks, the situation can usually be corrected by applying some caulking or weatherstripping around the edges of your windows and doors. Or, consider a doorsweep to keep drafts at bay.

Attic

Check your attic to see if your insulation needs to be topped up. Old insulation can become damp from condensation and worn down, thereby losing its effectiveness.

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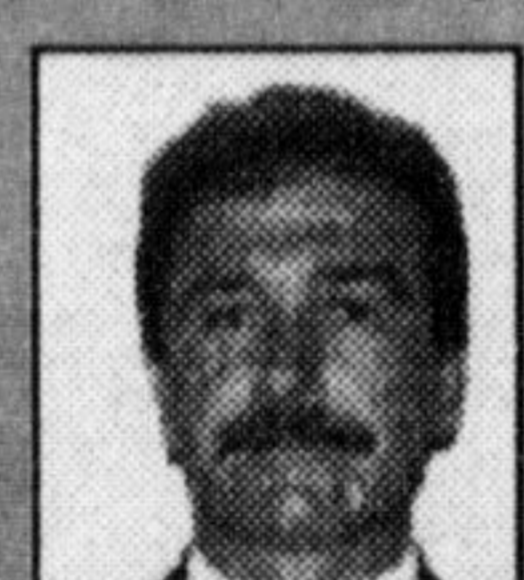
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#### NEW THIS WEEK:

- Expanded directory with lots of homeowner reference sources
- Entry into the Real Estate Web-Ring
- Revised "Hints" on main page
- Expanded "Seller Services" section
- Christmas issue of The Miltonian

## Let Better Homes and Gardens help you sweeten the Holiday Season

#### Marbled Mint Candy

PREP: 25 MIN., CHILL: 30 MIN.

- 1/3 c semisweet mint-flavored chocolate pieces or semisweet chocolate pieces
- 1 pound vanilla-flavored candy coating, cut up
- 3/4 c finely crushed candy cane or finely crushed striped round peppermint candies

Line a baking sheet with foil. Set baking sheet aside. In a small saucepan heat chocolate pieces over low heat, stirring constantly, till melted and smooth. Remove saucepan from heat.

In a 2-quart saucepan melt candy coating. Remove saucepan from heat. Stir in crushed candy canes. Pour melted coating mixture onto the prepared baking sheet. Spread coating mixture to about a 3/8-inch thickness; drizzle with the melted chocolate. Gently zigzag a narrow metal spatula through the chocolate and peppermint layers to create a marbled effect. Chill candy about 30 minutes or till firm. (Or let candy stand at room temperature for several hours or till firm.) Use foil to lift firm candy from the baking sheet; carefully break candy into pieces. Store tightly covered for up to 2 weeks. Makes about 1 1/4 pounds (about 32 servings).

#### Remarkable Fudge

PREP: 15 MIN., COOK: 15 MIN.

- 4 c sugar
- 1 1/3 c evaporated milk
- 1 c butter
- 2 c semisweet chocolate pieces
- 1 7oz dark chocolate or milk chocolate candy bar, cut up (optional)
- 1 7oz jar marshmallow creme
- 1 c chopped walnuts
- 1 tspn vanilla

Line a 13x92-inch baking pan with foil, extending foil over edges of pan. Butter foil; set aside.

Butter sides of a heavy 3-quart saucepan. In saucepan combine sugar, evaporated milk, and butter. Cook and stir over medium-high heat till mixture boils. Reduce heat to medium; continue cooking and stirring for 10 minutes.

Remove pan from heat. Add chocolate pieces, cut-up chocolate bar (if desired), marshmallow creme, walnuts, and vanilla; stir till chocolate melts and mixture is combined. Beat by hand for 1 minute. Spread in the prepared pan. Score into 1-inch squares while warm. When fudge is firm, use foil to lift it out of pan. Cut fudge into squares. Store in a tightly covered container in the refrigerator. Makes about 4 pounds. (96 pieces).

#### Easy Chocolate Truffles

START TO FINISH: ABOUT 3 HOURS

- 1-11 1/2 oz pkg milk chocolate pieces
- 1/3 c whipping cream
- 1/4 tspn almond extract
- 1/3 c toasted ground almonds
- 8 oz vanilla-flavored candy coating
- 1/2 c semisweet chocolate pieces, melted

In a heavy saucepan combine milk chocolate pieces and whipping cream. Cook over low heat for 4 to 5 minutes or till chocolate melts, stirring frequently. Remove saucepan from heat. Cool slightly. Stir in almond extract. Beat mixture with an electric mixer on low speed till smooth. Cover and refrigerate about 1 hour or till firm.

Line a baking sheet with waxed paper. Shape chocolate mixture into 3/4-inch balls; roll in ground almonds. Place on prepared baking sheet. Freeze for 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, melt candy coating. Line a baking sheet with waxed paper. Quickly dip truffles, one at a time, into coating. Let excess coating drip off truffles. Place truffles on prepared baking sheet; let stand about 30 minutes or till coating is set. Decoratively drizzle the melted chocolate over the tops of the truffles. Store in a tightly covered container in the refrigerator. Makes about 30 pieces.

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