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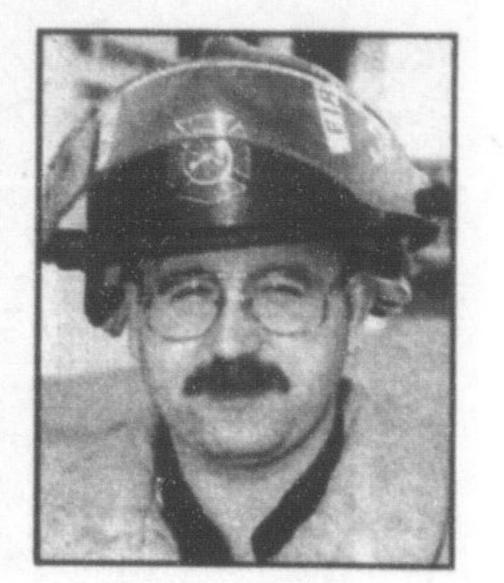
Mark Cross can't stress strongly enough how important it is for everyone to have a working smoke alarm in their home.

But the Milton Fire Department's

spokesman is trying to all the same - in the wake of residential fires within the past week.

In both cases, there were no functioning alarms.

And while fortunately there



Mark Cross

were no fatalities or injuries caused by either blaze, Captain Cross is reminding local residents that the potential for tragedy is always there — and it's greatly heightened when proper safety measures aren't taken.

"I'd say 75 per cent of the homes we visit on a regular basis don't have properly located or functioning smoke alarms," he

"In fact there's more CO2 detectors than smoke alarms, even though the odds of being hurt or killed in a fire are much greater than of getting carbon monoxide poisoning."

Minimal damage was caused during the first fire on Bronte Street Sunday evening.

An overloaded electrical circuit appears to be the cause of the fire, which took less than a half-hour to knock down.

The following morning on Guelph Line, Milton and Halton Hills firefighters needed several hours to battle back a fire that caused approximately \$80,000 damage to a century-old farm house.

Originating in a first-floor fireplace, the blaze gutted the kitchen, basement and an upstairs bedroom.

The occupants, who're renting the property, had just moved in a few days earlier and had no insurance.

Captain Cross said each home should be equipped with a smoke alarm in the sleeping area as well as on all other floors.

The penalty for non-compliance is \$230 for private residents or \$50,000 for businesses and corporations.



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## REQUEST FOR BIDS

01-069-Q Supply and Delivery of Lumber (March 21) 01-194-Q Bronte Meadows Tennis Court Resurfacing (March 21)

01-232-T 4 Half Tonne Pick-up Trucks and 4 One Tonne Crew Cabs (March 28)

01-051-P Consulting Engineers for various Capital, Parks and Development Projects (March 21)

Sealed bids on forms supplied by the Town of Milton will be received by the Corporate Services Department until 11:00 am local time on the dates stated above.

Specifications and forms may be obtained at the Corporate Services Department (second floor), Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, Milton, Ontario, during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is a non-refundable bid document fee of \$26.00 (\$24.30 + \$1.70 GST). Payment can be made with cash, cheque, Interac or Visa.

Any inquiries regarding this tender may be directed to Marc Rivard, Purchasing Customer Services Representative at (905) 878-7252 x 2128. If you would prefer that this bid be couriered to you please complete the Request for Bid Document form on the Towns' Website: www.town.milton.on.ca. Plan takers, current and upcoming bids and bid results are posted on the website.

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