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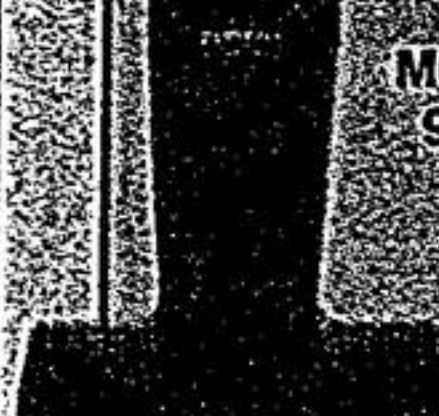


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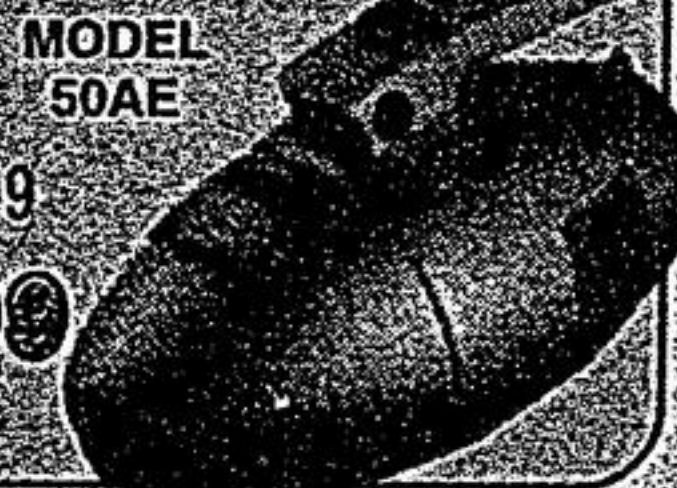
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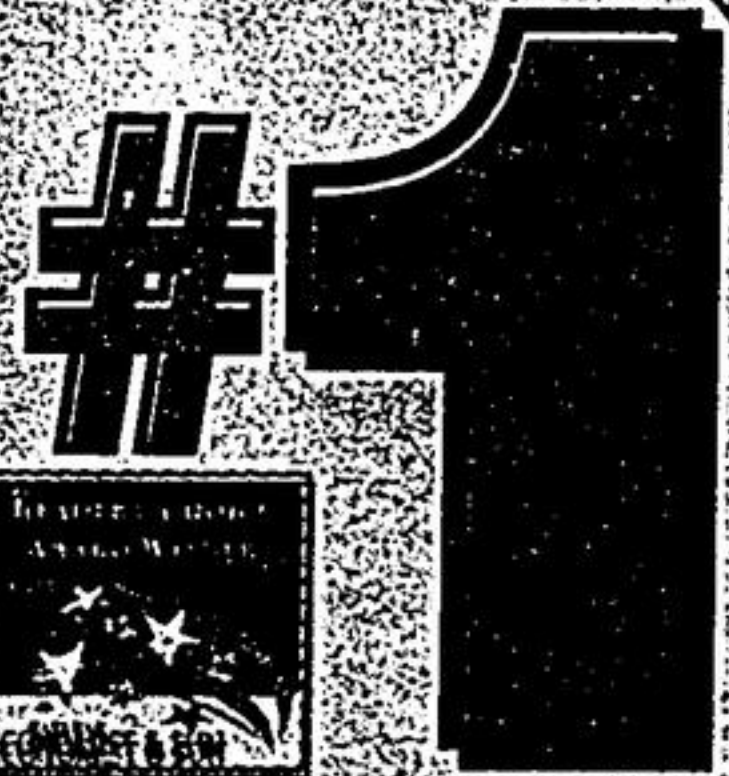
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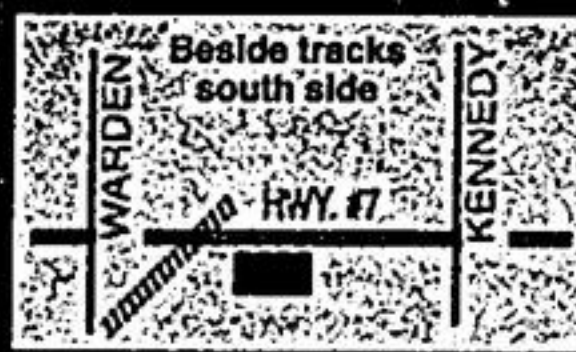
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FOR BAGS, BELTS & PARTS FOR ALL MAKES, MARKHAM VAC IS THE PLACE

Spring is the time to get your AC ready for summer

By DANIEL ASPELL

There is nothing like that first blast of spring air as it rolls through the newly installed screens in your home. The aroma of life emerging from unfrozen ground, or the scent of the spring's first offerings wafting around a home, fills us with hope and plans for the coming months. Inevitably, however, the weather turns hot and humid. The windows are closed, leaving many of us to rely on our air-conditioning units to survive brutal months of summer heat and humidity.

It's costly, but necessary. Heat and humidity are probably complained about more than winter snow and ice. While we pay a great attention to keeping ourselves warm in winter, though, many of us are lax when it comes to maintaining our cooling systems.

A modest maintenance program on our AC units would help save the amount of electricity used. The main way to save on energy costs is to change or upgrade your current system. Modern high-efficiency air conditioners will save as much as 50 percent in your bills compared to older models.

In other words, if you've got a 25-year-old central air unit, or are relying on window models from 20 years ago, join the energy-efficient club of cool consumers. What you pay today will easily be offset by future savings. But if that purchase will have to wait until next year, follow an AC maintenance plan this spring for a cooler summer.

The most common reasons for poor AC performance are refrigerant leaks, over or under-charging of refrigerant, electrical control failure and improper maintenance. Make sure you call a professional company to help with your repairs.

AC filters are the main culprits when it comes to regular maintenance breakdowns. When AC filters become dirty and clogged, the airflow to the unit decreases significantly, causing it to run at a fraction of normal capacity. With a clogged filter, air may bring in dirt and contaminants to the evaporator coil, further reducing the AC's efficiency. Replaceable filters should be changed every two months during the peak cooling season and cleanable filters should be hosed or wiped down just as often.

Your AC's condenser and evaporator coils won't collect dirt as quickly, but they'll get dirty and impede AC service nonetheless, especially outdoor units. Leaves and yard dirt typically build up around the coils, and these should be cleaned away at least yearly.

The professionals will also check your ducts, particularly where they enter the house on the outside and into the interior. Duct leaks will have your system cycling on and off constantly, adding wear and tear on the unit and raising your energy costs.

To get the most out of a window-mounted AC unit, install it on the shadiest part of the house, and near the middle of the room. Also, be sure to install all of the foam weather stripping material packed with it, or purchase more to fit a tight seal around the unit.

With summers seeming to get hotter every year, your air conditioner will be getting more of a workout. So until you can replace it, call the professionals for a little maintenance.

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