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Home fire sprinklers

By Anna Raell State Farm Agent

Nationwide, more that 4,00 per die in fires each year.

Home fire sprinklers can contain and may even extinguish a fire in less time than it would take the fire department to arrive on the scene.

Fire sprinklers are not a new idea. Developed in the late 19th century, sprinkler systems protect much of the world's commercial risks. Now similar technology is being installed in homes where, unfortunately, most fire deaths occur.

Fire sprinklers save lives, reduce property loss and can even help cut homeowner insurance premiums. Installing both smoke alarms and a fire sprinkler system reduces the risk of death in a home fire by 82 per cent, as opposed to having neither.

The Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition (HFSC), which provided the above statistics, is on a mission to increase awareness of the availability and life-saving value of fire sprinkler systems in new homes (it is also possible to retrofit existing homes).

HFSC wants to also put to rest some myths about home fire sprinklers: • Sprinklers do not operate all at once. Only the sprinkler closest to the fire will activate, spraying water directly on the fire. ninety per cent of fires are contained by the operation of just one sprinkler. • Home fire sprinklers use only a fraction of the water used by fire department hoses. This means fire may result in less water damage to your home and belongings. • Home fire sprinklers seldom leak or accidentally discharge (odds are one in 16 million). They are inconspicuous and can be mounted flush with walls or ceilings. And, on average, home fire sprinkler systems add only a small percentage to the total building cost in new construction.

Smoke detectors are designed to detect a fire and signal a warning. The addition of fire sprinklers to your home could help keep your family, property and lives of firefighters safer.

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2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CANDIDATE REGISTRATION. ELECTORAL DAY - Monday, October 26, 2010. Anyone wishing to be a candidate in the municipal election to be held on October 25, 2010 for the Town of Caledon may file a nomination form for the office of Mayor.

Public Meeting. The Town of Caledon is pleased to announce a public meeting on the proposed Caledon Community Centre.

Annual General Meeting. The Town of Caledon is pleased to announce its 2009 Annual General Meeting.

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