

Check heat at your door this summer

(NAPS)—What do thermal cups, Gortex™ and insulation all have in common? The ability to keep items cool under certain conditions and warm under others. And with the warmer months upon us, keeping cool becomes a major priority — whether it is a cool drink or a cool home. If you think your home could feel more appealing, temperature-wise, during the warmer seasons, follow this checklist for greater indoor comfort:

■ Look in your attic and inspect your insulation level. If it is less than R-38 or your home was constructed before 1980, chances are you need more insulation. Call an insulation contractor to upgrade your insulation with quality materials, such as InsulSafe III® Blown-In Fiber Glass Insulation. It is thermally efficient and noncombustible for the life of your home, contains no hazardous chemicals and will not decay and support fungus growth. Or if you prefer to do the job yourself, use a material like Easy Handler™ Encapsulated Insulation which helps minimize the itch and dustiness associated with insulation projects.

■ Take a walk around the outside of your property. Look to see where trees

and shrubs are planted. You may want to add more deciduous trees — those that drop their leaves in the fall. Planted in front of sunny windows, they can actually keep your home cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter because of the shade they generate, thereby reducing energy costs.

■ Make sure your fireplace flue is closed. It can draw warmer air from the outside into your home if left open.

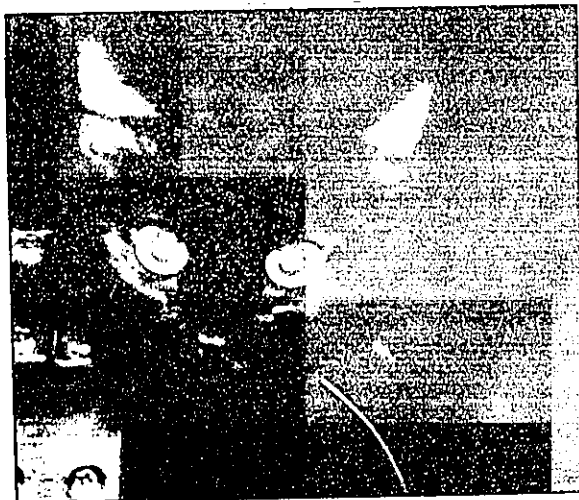
■ Caulk and weatherstrip around all windows and doors to prevent cool air leaking out and warm air from entering your home.

■ Keep shades drawn during the day to keep the warmth the sun generates outside of your home.

■ Use minimal unnatural lighting during the day. It will keep your home cooler and keep your electricity costs down, too.

For more tips on keeping your home cooler during the warmer months, write for a free copy of "The Energy Checklist For Keeping Your Home Cooler" from the CertainTeed Home Institute, P.O. Box 860, Valley Forge, PA 19482 or call 1-800-782-8777. You can also visit the Institute on the Internet at <http://www.certainteed.com>.

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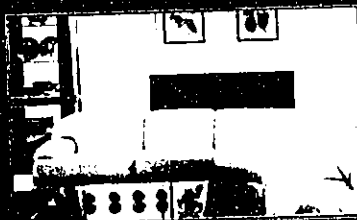
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