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Secure Start Now Offers Home Warranties and Digital Photography

This is an incredible no-cost value for our home buyers to give them another level of comfort with the purchase of their home. A **FREE** limited mechanical and structural warranty that begins the day of the inspection and runs 90 days, or 21 days after closing whichever is LONGER. We are very excited to now offer this coverage, as it raises the Home Inspection experience another level.

On the mechanical side, items covered include: Plumbing – water and drain lines, faucets, water heaters, gas lines within the home; Electrical – main service panel and wiring; Built-in appliances – range, cook top and oven, dishwasher, microwave, trash compactor and garbage disposal; Climate Control – all central heating and air conditioning systems.

On the structural side, items covered include: Foundation – poured and block concrete walls; Framework – floor joists and structural framing; Roofing – roof structure and roof covering; Walls – exterior and load bearing walls, interior wall framing; Also covered are attached garage doors.

We are pleased to announce that Digital photography is now part of our typical home inspection at no extra cost. We will include some general photos of the front and back of the home as well as the major areas inspected like the furnace, water heater, electric panel(s), attic, etc. We will also include photos of areas that raise concern or that may be hard to comprehend given only a written/verbal explanation. The photos can either be emailed to the client and/or realtor, or copied to CD and U.S. mailed.



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CPSC Recalls and Product Safety

The Consumer Product Safety Council website www.cpsc.gov, is one that we often promote. The CPSC is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer products. Product recalls are published by the month recalled, manufacturer, product type or description. It only takes a minute to scroll through the current months list of recalls and you'll be amazed at the products listed. There's also a section where you can report a hazardous product to CPSC. Over the years we've found items like childrens toys, clothing, ATV's, slow cookers, tools and much more.

An example that caught our attention was a recall on one of the most popular types of carbon monoxide detectors in homes, the Nighthawk made by Kidde. If you own this model and it was built between November 1998 and March 1999 (650,000 units built), it may be part of this recall and may not properly alarm. There was also a recall placed on the GE Security CO Alarm that fails after a 1 year period.

Listed below are just a few examples of some of the recent recalls posted:

December 2006

Recessed Lighting – Falling parts.
Dewalt cordless saws – Fire hazard.
Crown Boilers – CO hazard.
Nintendo Wii – Wrist straps break.
Hobby Lobby xmas lights – Fire hazard.
Childrens necklaces – Lead poisoning.
Ceiling Fans – Falling blades.
Stanley, entry door locks fail to unlock from the inside leading to entrapment during an emergency.

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Kawasaki ATV – Loose nuts.
Cannondale Bicycles – Brake failure.
Ceramic Heaters – Fire hazard.
Childrens Overalls – Lead snaps.
Dewalt Generators – Shock hazard.

A link to the Consumer Product Safety Council website can be found at our site www.ssinspect.com