

# Think Safety! It's Fire Prevention Week (Oct. 9-15)

In observance of Fire Prevention Week, October 9-15, the Fieldcrest Safety Department urges all employees to take note of the following information.)

One of the best ways to warn a family of fire in the home is to install smoke detectors.

Last year in the U.S. more than 5,000 people died in home fires—approximately 15 every 24 hours. More than half of these lives could have been saved if the victims were warned of the impending disaster. Since most home fires occur at night while the family is asleep, there is a need for some device to awaken the occupants of a home should there be a fire.

Five years ago smoke detectors were not common equipment to most people. Now they are required in all homes purchased with loans guaranteed by FHA or VA. Some states require them in all new homes.

Basically, there are two types of smoke detectors on the market today, the photoelectric and the ionization types. The photoelectric type contains a central chamber with a light beam directed away from an "electric eye." When smoke enters the chamber it scatters the light and some of the light beams activate the electric eye which sounds the alarm.

The ionization type detector contains a radioactive source that allows some electricity to flow within the chamber. When the smoke enters the chamber it hampers the the flow of electricity. This current reduction sets off the alarm. The proper placement of detectors in the home is crucial. They should be placed near potential sources of fire and near bedrooms where they can be heard. If the house is large, it would be wise to get the advice of an expert in smoke alarm installation.

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## Our Children



James Thomasson

James Bradley Thomasson was born August 8 to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Thomasson. His father works at Karastan Rug Mill and his mother, Vicki, works at Karastan Service Center. His grandmother, Irene Soyars, works in the Purchasing Department at the General Offices. His grandmother, Gladys Thomasson, is a retiree from the Blanket Finishing Mill.

Bonnie Jean Ellison was born July 22 to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Ellison. Her mother, Doris, and grandmother, Jean Powell, work at the Blanket Finishing Mill. Her uncle and aunt, Michael and Pamela Ellison, work at Karastan Rug Mill and Karastan Service Center, respectively.

Chasity Dawn Chavis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin T. Davis, was born August 3. Her mother, Lizzie, works in Winding Department at the Laurel Hill Yarn Mill.

David Wiley Pegram, age 7½ months, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Gray Pegram. His mother, Pat, works in the Personnel Department at Foremost Screen Print.

Amy Diane Minter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Minter, recently celebrated her first birthday. Her grandmothers,

Evelyn Brown and Grace Minter, work at the Bedspread Finishing Mill and Draper Sheeting Mill, respectively.

Sean Clay McBride is the seven-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Don McBride. His grandmother, Pauline McBride, works at the Blanket Greige Mill. His aunt, Karen Tuttle, works in Data Processing at the General Offices.

James (Jimmy) J. Terry, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Terry, celebrated his fourth birthday August 14 at the home of his aunt, Irene Thornton, who works at the Bedspread Finishing Mill office. His father works in the Packaging Department at that mill.

Vernon Walters, III is the 11-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Walters, Jr. His father is a sample dyer at Laurel Hill Carpet Mill. His grandfather, Vernon Walters, Sr., is a superintendent in the Finishing Department at that mill.

Bryant Lee Byrd, 8, and Jason Lane Byrd, 3, are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Byrd. Their mother, Karen, is secretary to the customer service manager at the Blanket Finishing Mill. Their grandfather, Nathan Agee, is a loom fixer at the Bedspread Greige Mill.



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