

editor's choice

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Mason Homes and EnerGuide



IN CONJUNCTION with the opening of their new site in Uxbridge, and in recognition of being the proud recipients of the Builder of the Year 2004 award for EnerGuide for New Homes Program, Mason Homes held an event to celebrate their achievement and educate the public about building energy-efficient, healthy homes. The event was held at Mason's Maplebridge community in Uxbridge and was attended by delegates from the Town of Uxbridge, the Canadian Energy Efficiency Alliance and the EnerQuality Corporation.

Also in attendance, Uxbridge Mayor Gerri-Lynn O'Connor spoke of the importance of energy-efficient homes, congratulating Mason Homes on their achievement and the commencement of construction.

Mason Homes is one of only a handful of participants in the EnerGuide for New Homes Program, which sets the standard for energy-efficient building. It issues the rating for new houses in Ontario, based on the following elements: insulation,

windows, doors and heating, ventilation, and structural configuration of the homes. The higher the rating, the more energy-efficient the home. Many of the standard Mason Homes' designs have achieved the "improved" rating in the 72 to 75 range.

"I recycle, I try to be energy-efficient with my gas and I turn off the lights in my house," says Sean Mason of Mason Homes. "I think the market is changing in that direction. People are looking for ways to be more energy-efficient. Not only do they want to do it, they believe they should do it."

In addition to NRCAN's EnerGuide Program, Mason Homes is also participating in the Government of Canada's Building Canada Program, which has provided a new benchmark for building quality homes.

And what does this mean to the consumer? Every day Mason Homes is making strides to build a better home. An EnerGuide rated-home means that the homeowner can save up to, and sometimes more than, 50 per cent on natural gas costs.

"A better home means greater comfort, higher quality, truly functional designs and an even better resale value," says Sean. "And to back up our claims, we offer the best customer service — our staff is professional, accountable and follow through on their commitments to our customers."

It says a lot when a builder is willing to stand up front-and-centre with his product to inspire passion and pride in a job well done. Even so, each home is independently inspected through a blower door test, prior to occupancy, to individually assess its own Government of Canada sponsored EnerGuide Rating.

For the past 17 years, Mason Homes has earned an "Excellent" rating and is proud to be a member of the Ontario New Home Warranty Program. That's a perfect score since the program's inception.

Mason Homes is a builder of rare calibre. For over four decades it has been building upon a tradition of honesty, quality craftsmanship and commitment to the customer. They have built thousands of homes all across the Greater Toronto Area and into the Kawartha Lakes. Mason strives not to be the biggest builder but certainly the best.

Mason Homes builds energy-efficient homes in these fine communities: Maplebridge in Uxbridge, building detached bungalow and two-storey homes on 50- and 56-foot lots; Elgin Park in Lindsay, bungalow and two-storey homes on semi-detached, 33-foot detached and 60-foot detached lots; and Maple Woodlands in Barrie, townhouses and semi-detached homes as well as bungalow and two-storey homes on 46-, 50- and 56-foot lots.

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