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PRESS RELEASE

CFM Specialty Home Products leads innovation parade With big, stylish, clean-burning HPBA Expo lineup

CFM Specialty Home Products is the company to watch for the newest trends in both outdoor living and hearth products as it introduces its big, stylish and clean-burning products at the Hearth Patio and Barbecue Association Expo 2005 in Atlanta, Georgia, this month.

The HPBA trade show celebrates its 25th year in operation with the Expo in Atlanta's Georgia World Congress Center, February 23 – 26. CFM Specialty Home Services will join about 500 other exhibitors showing fireplaces and stoves along with barbecue grills and other outdoor living products to thousands of visitors.

As the continent's largest hearth and outdoor living manufacturer, CFM's research and development efforts keep it in the forefront of innovations in fireplaces, stoves, barbecue grills and other products.

On the grilling side, the word is "BIG" with The Marvel the star attraction from Vermont Castings Signature Series™ family of BBQ products. This outdoor kitchen marches ahead of the show's parade of grills with its massive 750 square inch cooking area and 290 square inch warming rack. A three course meal is no challenge to this incredible unit with its 20,000 btu infrared rotisserie burner and all the rest of the goodies for the outdoor chef with serious menus in mind.

Both the Extreme VCS5005BI and the Sizzler VCS3505BI are built-in grills based on cart models that already lead the market. These great grills can be installed into complete, custom, outdoor cooking centers. Options include built-in side burner, insulated jacket and front door assembly.

While at the CFM booth, check out the new for '05 Portable BBQ Island from Vermont Castings™. With its solid construction of hard wood and faux teak wood, this is an outdoor kitchen island that will resist the elements. But it will greatly assist tasty cooking with its expandable workspace, ingenious and functional storage space and collapsible and compact design for easy storage during the off season.

CFM's fireplaces and stoves for 2005 have more dramatic, expanded glass areas, enhanced flames and other features setting new standards for their categories.

At the top of the lineup in fireplaces, CFM Specialty Home Products retail dealers will soon be offering the Extreme View Fireplace being rolled out at the HPBA show. This is an XDV Series Direct Vent fireplace with a huge glass viewing area that leads the market in size and visual excitement. This fireplace also has increased Btus for more heat and higher flames.

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Creating a revolution in the design of fireplaces, the louver fins of CFM's Extreme View fireplace are replaceable with state-of-the-art finishes. This allows the fireplace to take on the softer tones being demanded by a style-conscious marketplace. The fireplace can be dressed up with metal accents as well.

CFM Majestic's new PerfectView LDV Series fireplaces, targeted to new homes, are also direct vent models and come with amazing Insta-Flame burner technology. PerfectView LDV Series fireplaces come with increased glass height and width too, giving homebuyers considerably more viewing area than in competitors' models. Other models on display with large glass viewing areas, enhanced flame technology and log sets are from CFM's Chateau, HiStyle and GrandStyle series of fireplaces.

Clean burning fireplaces and stoves are demanded more and more by environmentally-sensitive householders who also want to get every last Btu from their energy consumption products. Again CFM Specialty Home Products shows the new direction with its just released Ever Burn technology. This non-catalytic wood stove technology, found in select new wood stoves and fireplaces from CFM, is a world-first. Ever Burn is a passive convection system that pulls room air into and through the stove naturally producing even, gentle flows of warm convection air and radiant heat, with the option of a fan. This easy-to-operate system has an excellent EPA allowing a load of wood to burn up to 10 hours instead of the six hours of other non-catalytic stoves.

On display as well at the HPBA Expo 2005 is Vermont Castings™' Sequoia EPA Wood Burning Fireplace, a zero clearance, EPA Phase II certified unit with a huge glass area and clean-burn technology.

For plug-in convenience and flexibility, visitors to the CFM's booth will find a new line of industry-leading Allura-Fire electric fireplaces in multiple sizes, all boasting the most realistic flames on the market. Remodelers and new home buyers can fit these electric wonders into any design as well as any room of a house, condo, apartment or cottage.

The HPBA Expo has a reputation for exhibiting the freshest and most exciting products in the hearth and barbecue market. This year, the reputation building begins at CFM's Indoor Booth #1607 and Outdoor Booth # 4013 and online at vermontcastings.com

About CFM Specialty Home Products: CFM Specialty Home Products is a trade name of CFM Corporation ("CFM"). CFM is a leading integrated manufacturer of home products and related accessories in North America and the United Kingdom. CFM designs, develops, manufactures and distributes a line of hearth and space heating products, barbecue and outdoor products and water and air purification products. CFM maintains an ongoing program of research and development aimed at continually improving the quality, design, features and efficiency of its products.

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