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To Whom it may concern,

Some recent emergency calls we have attended have revealed that security system installers may have inadvertently disconnected hardwired smoke alarms. Installing a security system with smoke detectors is a home owners' prerogative however these systems and devices do not replace smoke alarms already installed under the Ontario Building Code and the Ontario Fire Code. Furthermore a security system is required to be registered with the Town of The Blue Mountains.

If you have a security system installed in your home, please take the time to test and ensure that your existing smoke alarms still function as designed and are still interconnected. Interconnected means if one device activates, they all activate to provide notification throughout your home.

Also, did you know that your smoke alarms and Carbon Monoxide alarms have a life span that is between 7-10 years? Even the hardwired alarms need replacement when they reach their end of life.

Blue Mountains Fire and Rescue offer free home visits to assess your life safety devices and if you require new devices, we will recommend the proper devices for you to purchase. We will install them for you and ensure they are working correctly before we leave your home.

Want more information call or email:

(519) 599 5411 #105

Best Regards,

Chief Fire Prevention Officer
Town of The Blue Mountains Fire Services