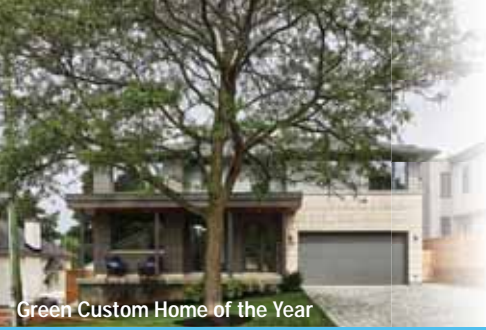




WINTER 2022 NEWSLETTER

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Green Custom Home of the Year

2021 GOHBA HOUSING DESIGN AWARDS

RND is proud to be the recipient of 3 GOHBA awards, including Green Custom Home of the Year for the 9th consecutive year. We also won for Green Production Home of the Year.



Green Production Home of the Year

CUSTOM BUILDS

The cold winter weather has not slowed us down! We have been progressing well with the 5 custom homes we are currently building. Check out our social media pages for updates!



PROTECTING INDOOR AIR QUALITY DURING RENOVATIONS

The pandemic has changed how people live, work and study. Many are now working from home, children are being home-schooled and family members have moved back in. As a result many need to renovate their homes to meet these changes. Please consider the following before renovating:

- **Ventilation:** install HRV or ERV, change your furnace filter often
- **Asbestos:** test for asbestos if you are tearing down walls
- **Test for Radon:** the second-highest cause of lung cancer
- **VOCs:** choose low VOC products (ie. paint, cleaning products)
- **Plastic barrier:** controls spread of dust during renovations
- **Indoor plants:** plants remove carbon dioxide & release oxygen

These strategies will ensure your home is a more comfortable place to live and work during your home renovations.

SEASONAL TIPS

- Clear excessive snow from roof and inspect gutters to prevent ice damming, leaks and ice sliding off.
- Add extension to downspouts to divert water away from the home foundation.
- Shovel snow from around the heat pump so that air can circulate across the coil (if applicable).
- Switch your ceiling fans to run in the opposite direction – this will push the warm air downward and force it to recirculate.
- Clean air vents/registers and move furniture and curtains away from them to help better circulate hot air.
- Increase the energy efficiency of your windows by using caulking and weather stripping to seal any cracks/leaks around the frames.
- Perform necessary maintenance on your furnace to keep it running at its maximum efficiency and prevent it from breaking down in the middle of the night.
- Keep your gas meter clear of snow and ice - cleaning it off as you would your driveway.
- Make sure your fireplace is clean and free of obstructions.
- Ensure that your Carbon Monoxide (CO) detectors are working correctly and have new batteries.
- Drain p-traps in unused plumbing fixtures as these tend to dry out quickly during the winter.
- Clear out excess snow in basement window wells to prevent leaks on warmer days.
- Test your sump pump.
- Please remember to double check and ensure the exterior faucets are shut off inside, hoses removed.
- Every three months, be sure to properly lubricate your garage door chains.



32 Clovelly Rd.

CUSTOM HOMES FOR SALE

32 Clovelly Road

netzero home

1487 Caton Street

netzero home

26 Clovelly Road (Design/Build) netzero home