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15 Minutes of Building Science

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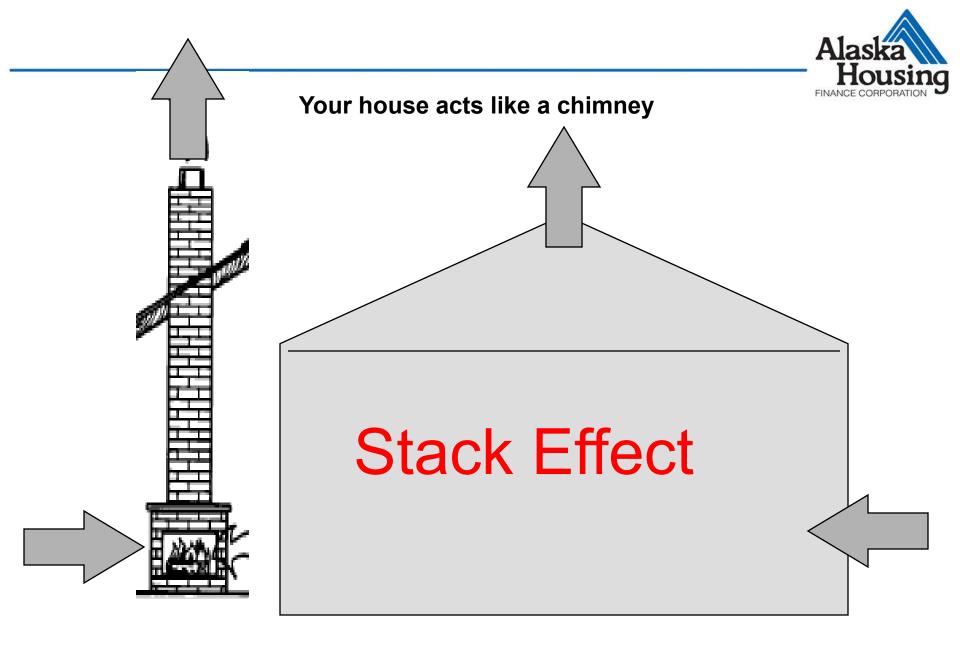
Building Science Basics

- Constants (sort of)
 - Heat
 - Air
 - Water/Moisture
- Variable
 - Occupants



The Basics of Building Science

- Heat moves from hot to cold
- Air leakage is a major cause of energy inefficiency
- Air moves from high pressure to low
- Air Leakage is a primary Moisture Movement Mechanism
- Moisture moves from wet to dry
- Bulk water & moist air movement causes major moisture problems

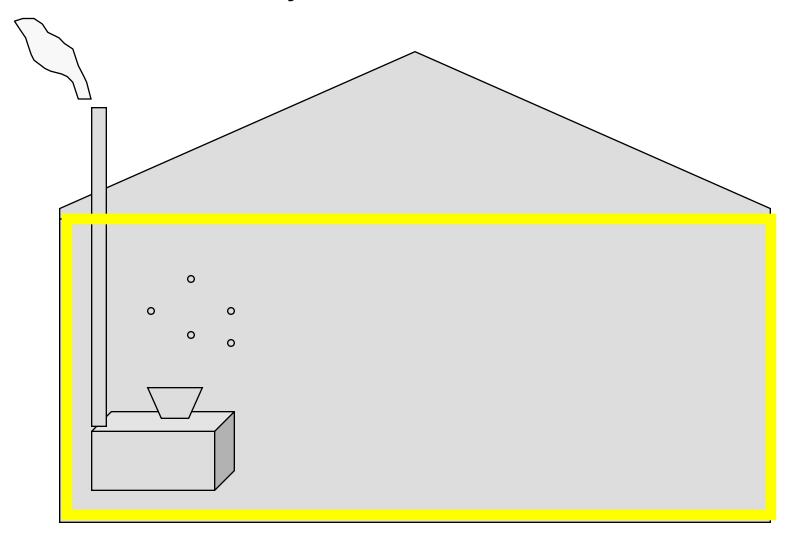




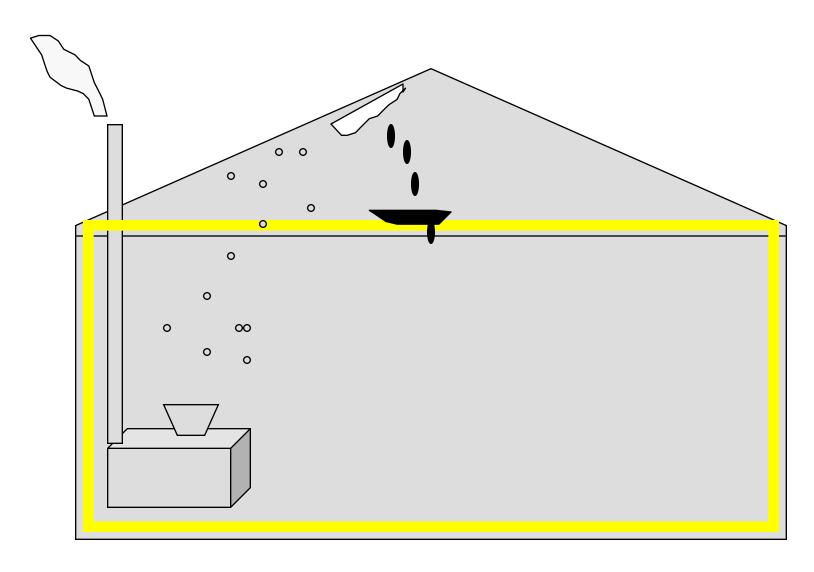














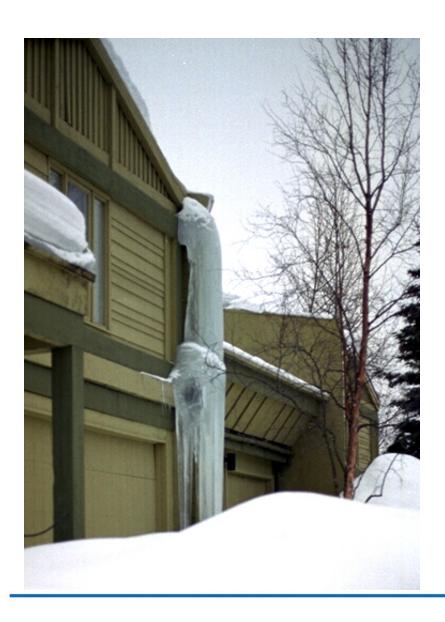
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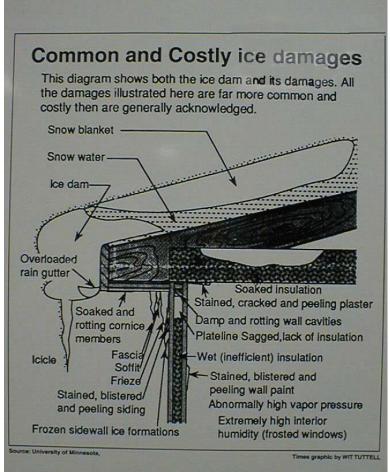




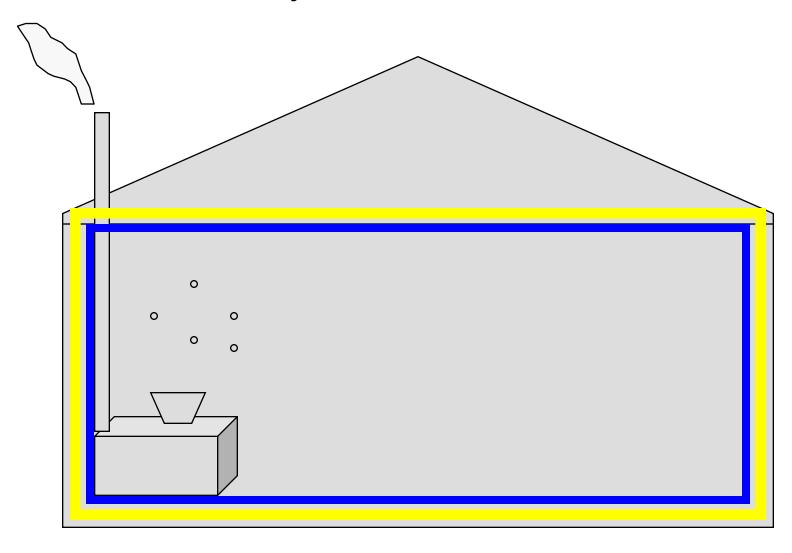


Anatomy of an Ice Dam

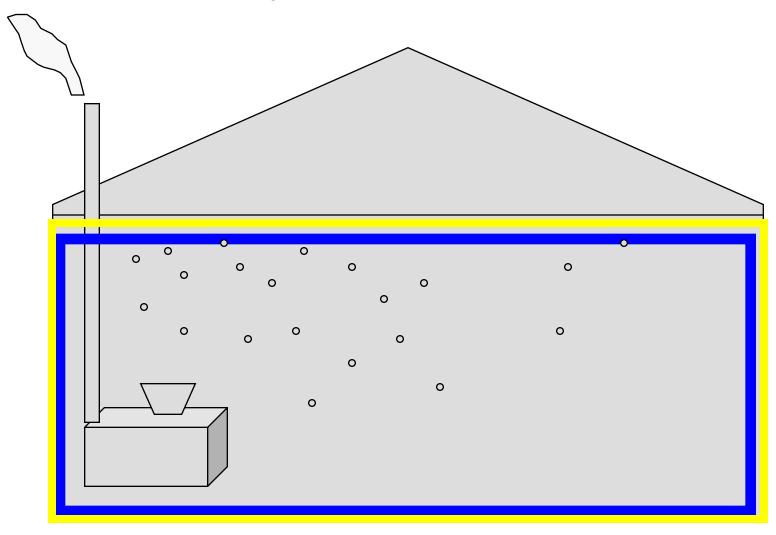






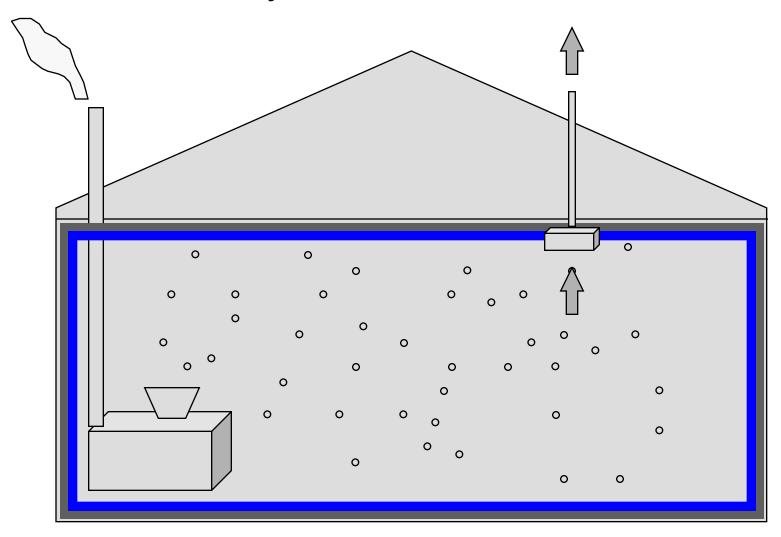














Proper Ventilation

Build Tight – Ventilate Right



Quiet, Efficient, Continuous Duty

Fan







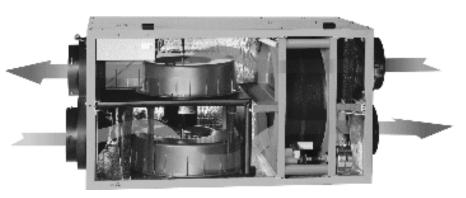
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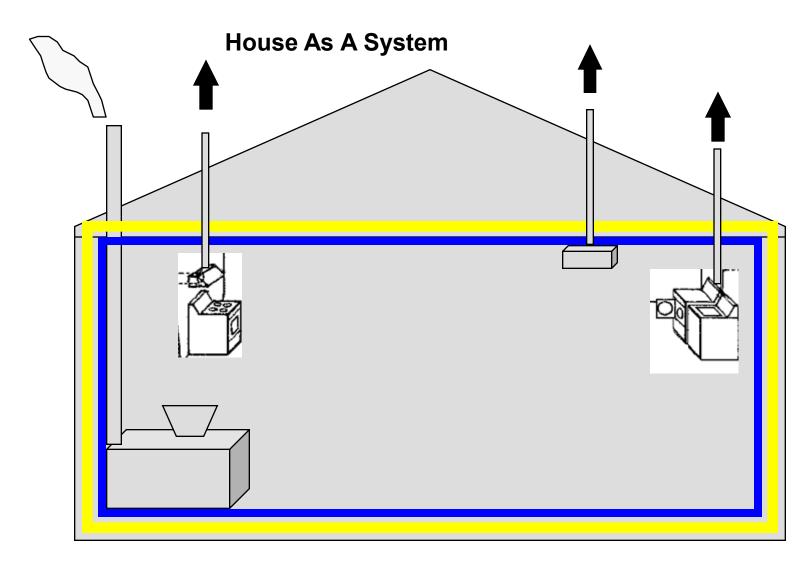




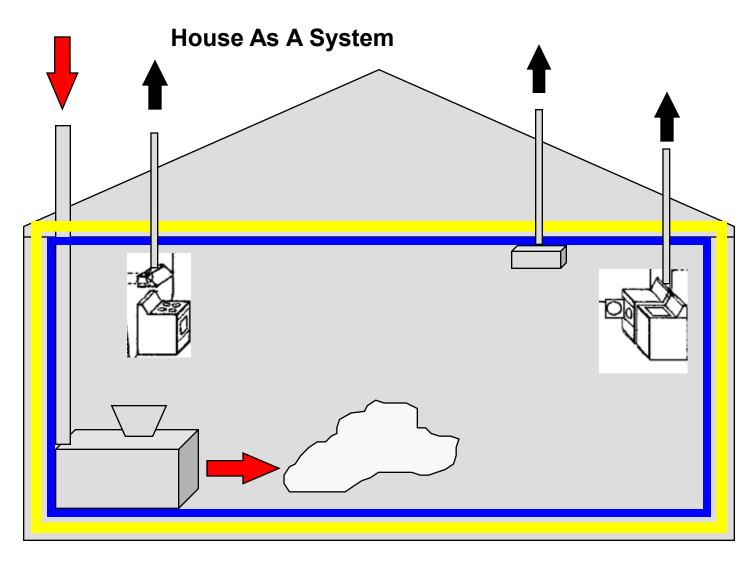












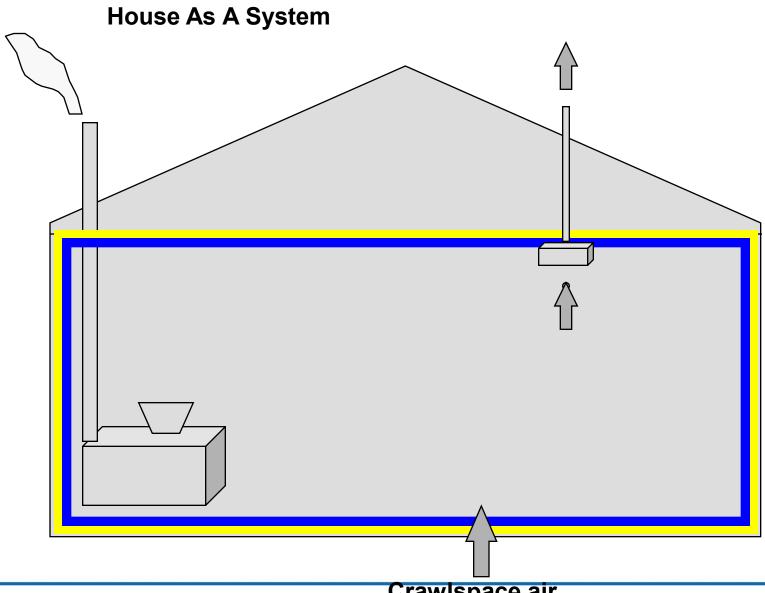


Backdrafting









Crawlspace air



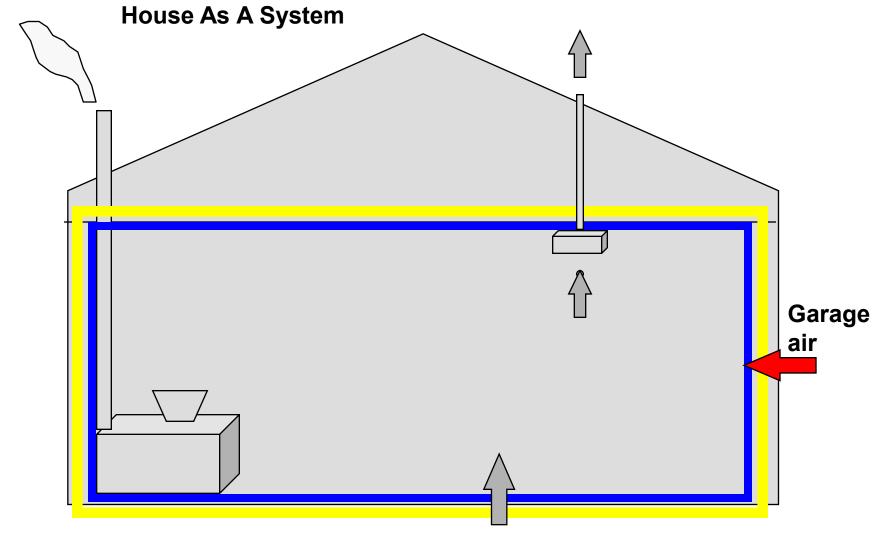


Doing it Right







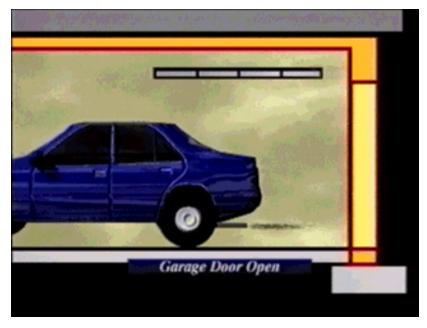


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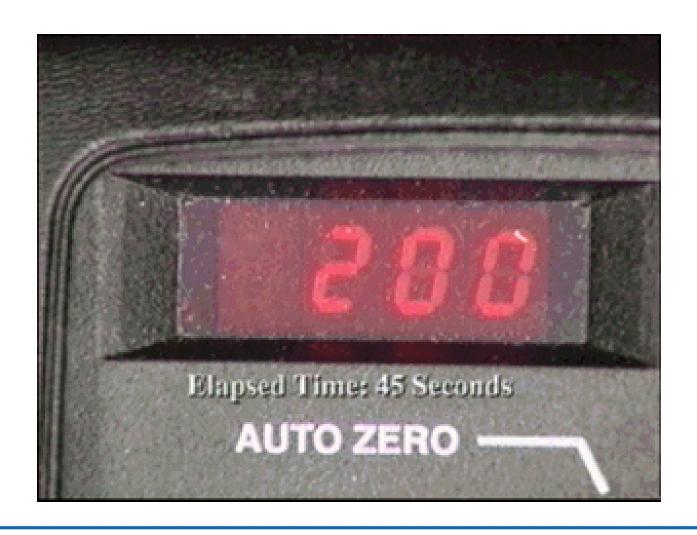
Car Running in Garage, Door Open







Carbon Monoxide Increases Rapidly

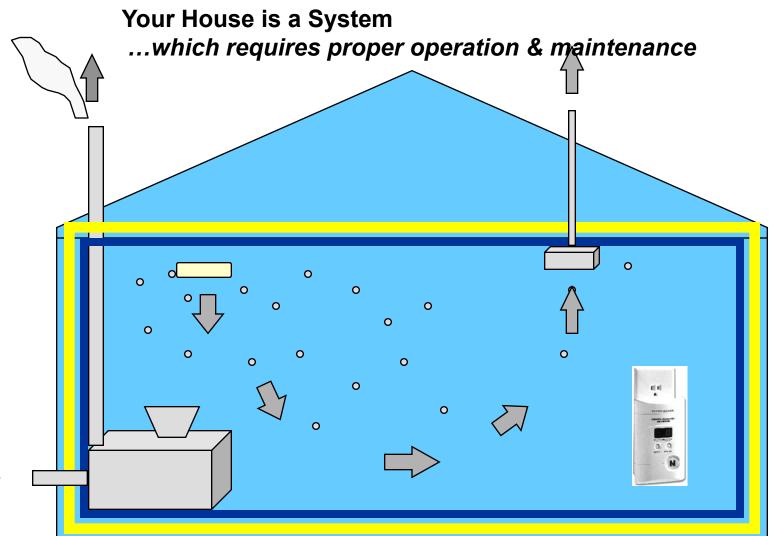




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