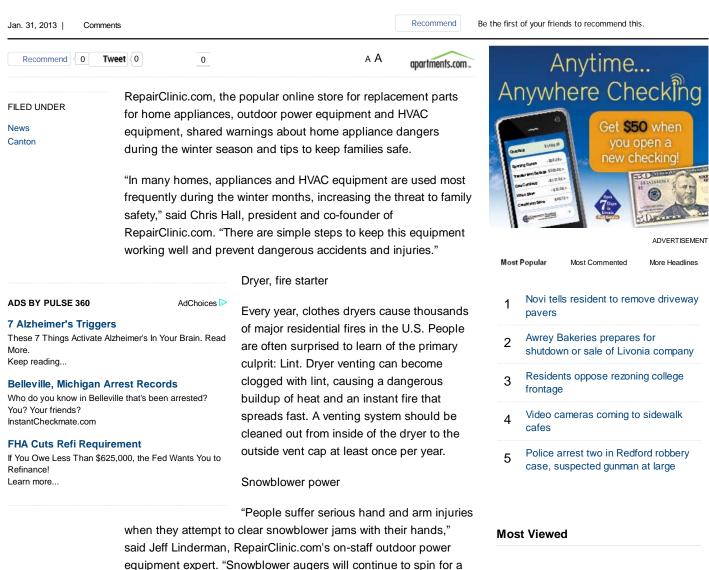


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released. Therefore, one should never place a hand or arm inside

To reduce clogging, use a snowblower no-stick spray on areas that come into contact with snow. Children and pets should remain

indoors when a snowblower is in operation because the cloud of snow created by the snowblower or snowthrower while in operation

Carbon monoxide

Carbon monoxide, produced by furnaces, generators, grills and other fossil fuel-using appliances, is a colorless, odorless gas. Carbon monoxide from these sources can build up within enclosed or semi-enclosed spaces inside or outside a home. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services reports that carbon monoxide causes hundreds of deaths and thousands of illnesses every year.

"Every home should have carbon monoxide detectors positioned closest to bedrooms and living spaces where families may sleep or relax for long periods of time," said Hall.

Space heaters

Space heaters often cause accidental fires. A space heater's compact size makes it particularly vulnerable to accidental tipping over. Fires are often started when they're too close to furniture and walls. It's best to keep space heaters at least three feet away from flammable objects and fabric.

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