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*Be alert, be aware*

## **CALEDON FIRE AND O.P.P. CONCERNED ABOUT “BOTTLE BOMBS”**

Caledon Fire & Emergency Services and the Caledon detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police are concerned about recent incidents of homemade explosive devices surfacing in the United States.

Commonly referred to as bottle bombs, these dangerous explosives have been found on front lawns and in mailboxes in the United States. It is suspected this trend is occurring in rural Ontario.

Fire Chief Brad Bigrigg urges parents to educate their children on the dangers associated with any suspicious object.

“We are fortunate to live in a very safe community,” Chief Bigrigg noted. “However, always be alert and be aware any time you encounter a suspicious package or object. These homemade devices are extremely dangerous.”

Residents are reminded to think safety first. If you find a suspicious bottle, don't touch it, especially if it shows signs of swelling. Rural mailbox owners should always carefully check their mailboxes before retrieving their mail. If anything appears suspicious, call the Caledon O.P.P. at 905.584.2241.

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