

HOLIDAY GIFT IDEAS

Peace Of Mind: It's A "Safe" Gift Idea

(NAPSA)—The best gift for the person who has everything—and needs to protect it—may be a fire-rated, water-resistant safe.

With weather-related disasters on many people's minds, more people have become aware that many important documents cannot be replaced, while replacing others would be costly or troublesome. So a safe can be a practical, thoughtful and reassuring gift.

Safe owners can centralize and guard birth certificates, Social Security cards and other personal documents to make an insurance claim, obtain credit or secure a job when a disaster hits. Other important items to store include:

- Itemized home inventory list
- Financial bank statements
- Stocks and bonds
- Health, dental and medical records
- Graduation diploma
- School transcripts
- Vehicle registration, title and certificate of sale
- Marriage certificate
- Irreplaceable photos
- New home deed
- Mortgage paperwork
- Passport
- Investment paperwork.

The Department of Homeland Security encourages consumers to keep copies of important records, emergency contact information and other priority documents for quick, easy access in case they're ordered to evacuate due to an impending disaster.

When thinking about what product to buy, consider one that offers fire and water protection for important items in the event of a fire, flood or other disaster. Security storage containers are avail-



When giving a gift this holiday season, giving a safe is one way to be safe rather than sorry.

able in a variety of sizes and styles, with many offering fire resistance and waterproof or water-resistant protection—as offered by safe manufacturer Sentry Group.

Many products carry either a UL or ETL classification for fire endurance, meaning that the interior of the unit and its contents are guarded from heat during a typical fire, for a specified time period—one hour, two hours or longer. Choose the level of fire protection that best suits your needs. Many models also protect sensitive electronic media including CDs, DVDs, Memory Sticks and USB drives in the event of a fire, and manufacturer's performance claims are verified through third-party testing. When choosing between water-resistant and waterproof protection, be sure to look for verification of manufacturer's claims.

For more information about Sentry Group products and availability, visit www.sentrysafe.com.