

Everwarm: Home comfort and happy customers

The giant rocking chair on the roadside between Port Angeles and Sequim is the perfect symbol for what the business behind it has offered for 30 years now: home comfort and happy customers.

With fireplaces, stoves, windows and ideas for green design, Everwarm Hearth and Home offers top end products and services for homeowners and builders.

Owned by Terry and Jenny McCartney, the retail shop features a large showroom packed with nearly 60 quality gas and wood stoves — even cook stoves.

The showroom's walls are lined three high with gleaming fireplaces and inserts, each with a different decorative surround and/or mantle to choose from.

Carved wooden mantelpieces evoke fine antiques while enameled pellet stoves glow like agates in the forest of charcoal black heaters.

Many of the stoves and fireplaces have chimneys and are blazing with real fire to help customers visualize them at home.

Customers can purchase a whole heating package or just the stove, mantle, fuel — or a set of fire tools.

Several of the company's 12-member



Everwarm business manager Linda Kay Alger.

staff are always on hand to discuss heating solutions, including green design and energy efficient windows.

They are certified by the National Fireplace Institute to install the fireplaces and stoves they sell, and the

staff receives ongoing training.

Everwarm is environmentally conscious, said Linda Kay Alger, the store's business manager.

"We are part of the new BuiltGreen movement in Clallam County."

Pellet stoves burn wood by-products or even corn and wheat, while wood heat is environmentally neutral, she said. "The same amount of carbon is used whether it is burned or decays naturally."

The store offers Solar Tubes — skylights that come with or without built-in electrical lights.

They also supply windows for PUD's energy efficiency programs and can work with builders on window installation.

"Upgraded windows, especially the vinyl framed ones, have a very noticeable heat saving and block outside sounds," Alger said.

Home siding and insulation also work to keep the weather outside, whether too hot or too cold.

Everwarm works with local contractors for installation of stoves and fireplaces. They can store a new fireplace's decorative front face section in their warehouse until the sheet rock work is done, keeping it safe from dust or damage during the building process.