



A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FOR ENERGY CONSCIOUS CONSUMERS

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TIPS FOR PET OWNERS TO KEEP THEIR HVAC SYSTEMS IN TOP SHAPE

Pet owners are well aware of the happiness and companionship that their furry friends bring into their lives. However, along with the joy, pets can also bring some challenges, such as dander, fur, and dirt, which can affect the air quality and HVAC system in your home. Taking proactive measures can help address these issues and ensure a healthier environment for both you and your pets.

Regularly checking and changing your HVAC air filter is crucial for maintaining the efficiency of your heating and cooling systems. This is especially important if you have pets or if someone in your home has respiratory conditions. Consider using HEPA air filters, which are more effective at capturing pet-related impurities.

Keeping your home clean is another key aspect. Regularly vacuuming your carpets, washing bedding, and vacuuming upholstered furniture can help prevent pet dander and fur from accumulating and clogging your HVAC air filter. If you have a "doggie door," ensuring it is properly sealed can keep external dust, dirt, and pollen outside.

Regularly grooming your pets can significantly reduce the amount of hair and dander that enters the HVAC system. Brushing your pets outside or in a designated area can help minimize the amount of loose hair in your home. Additionally, bathing your pets on a regular basis can help reduce dander and keep their fur clean. By proactively managing shedding, you can lessen the strain on your HVAC system and promote cleaner air in your home.

Proper maintenance of your HVAC system is essential when you have pets. Regular maintenance by professionals, such as Hinds Energy, can ensure your furnace and air conditioning system are in optimal condition, saving you money and preventing potential HVAC repairs.



Don't forget!
Every THURSDAY
20-lb propane tank refills are \$13!

This deal is available at our Main Office on 60 Post St., Montrose, PA, and Hinds Mart on 1503 E. Main St., Susquehanna, PA. As always, tank service and recertification are available at our Hinds Energy headquarters in Montrose, PA. This offer cannot be combined with other coupons or discounts. Offer valid only on Thursdays between May 1 and August 1, 2023.

CLEARING THE AIR: DEBUNKING MYTHS ABOUT GAS STOVES AND AIR QUALITY

Here are a few advantages of using propane-powered stoves for cooking, essential guidelines for safe cooking and stove operation, and useful tips for preserving indoor air quality:

Cooking in general, regardless of the energy source used, can affect indoor air quality. Replacing gas stoves with electric stoves does not eliminate air quality concerns.

Proper installation and maintenance are key. Maintain proper indoor air quality by having a qualified technician install and service the stove and regularly change the air filter on home HVAC systems.

Adopting recommended cooking practices can help ensure optimal air quality. It is advised to follow best practices, such as heating the appropriate cooking oil at the recommended temperature specified in recipes or cooking instructions, to help maintain air quality.

Other things to know about cooking with propane:

Gas stoves, particularly propane-powered stoves, have long been preferred by professional chefs for their precise temperature control and even heating. Propane-powered stoves emit no methane, making them an environmentally friendly choice that does not contribute to global warming.

Clean energy alternatives like propane can significantly reduce emissions, and renewable propane derived from agricultural biomass has an ultra-low carbon intensity, making it an excellent option for various applications.

It is important to note that while emissions from generating electricity for electric stoves are not released into homes, a significant portion of electricity in the United States is produced by burning natural gas or coal, leading to emissions that contribute to the high carbon intensity of the electric grid. In comparison, propane has a lower carbon intensity than the U.S. electric grid.

Source: Propane Education and Research Council (PERC)



STAY AHEAD OF THE WITH A SUMMER HEATING SYSTEM CLEANING

While the sun's rays and warm temperatures of summer may not immediately bring to mind thoughts of heating systems, this season is, in fact, the perfect time to have your furnace cleaned and serviced. The off-peak demand for heating services during summer makes it easier to schedule an appointment with our HVAC professionals, ensuring that your furnace is in optimal condition before the colder months arrive.

Here's why a spring or summer furnace cleaning should be a part of your seasonal maintenance routine:

- » EFFICIENT PERFORMANCE
- » ENHANCE INDOOR AIR QUALITY
- » EARLY DETECTION OF PROBLEMS
- » PROLONGED LIFESPAN
- » CONVENIENT SCHEDULING

DON'T WAIT! Book your cleaning now to beat the price increase this Fall!

Call the Hinds Energy Service Division at 570-278-3811, option #3

EXPERIENCE COMFORT AND EFFICIENCY WITH MINI-SPLITS HEAT PUMPS

In recent times, mini-split ductless systems have become a popular trend. These systems offer the convenience of cooling or heating any space without the need for expensive ductwork installation. Say goodbye to the hassle of storing and installing AC window units! Not only are ductless units highly efficient, using less electricity than traditional window air conditioners or space heaters, but they also boast compact size, an inconspicuous design, and quiet operation. Additionally, these units can be mounted in various locations and all connect to a single outdoor unit.



ADVANTAGES OF A MINI-SPLIT HEAT PUMP

An economical solution to heat and cool challenging areas in your residence.

- ENERGY STAR certified mini-splits, which transfer heat instead of generating it, consume up to 60% less energy than regular electric radiators.

Deliver quiet and highly efficient cooling.

- ENERGY STAR certified mini-splits employ advanced compressors and fans that can adjust speeds for energy and cost savings. They directly cool from the unit, bypassing the need for ductwork that often results in energy losses, accounting for over 30% of a home's energy usage for space conditioning.

Provide heating and cooling capabilities in a single unit.

- Mini-split heat pumps offer highly efficient heating and cooling functions integrated into one system.

Easy, ductwork-free installation.

- Mini-splits use narrow refrigerant lines positioned outside your home to deliver heating and cooling instead of conventional central heating and cooling which requires bulky, and often expensive ductwork.

Custom comfort anywhere in your home.

- Mini-splits can maintain different customized temperatures in each room via remote controls.

IS A MINI-SPLIT HEAT PUMP THE RIGHT CHOICE FOR YOU?



Older homes that lack existing ductwork (such as those with radiators or baseboard heat) and have never had central air conditioning before.



Additions or separate buildings (such as sheds, barns, or garages) where extending ductwork or increasing heating or cooling capacity is challenging.



Spaces adjacent to unconditioned areas where ductwork would be exposed to extreme temperatures (such as a guest room above a garage).



Older commercial buildings without existing ductwork for air conditioning or for expansions.



Homes with areas experiencing temperature disparities, including spaces used as home offices.



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Susquehanna (Gulf)

1503 E. Main Street, Susquehanna, PA 18847

- Gasoline • On Road Diesel • Off Road Diesel •
- Heating Oil • Propane Refills •

Susquehanna (Valero)

239 Erie Blvd., Susquehanna, PA 18847

- Gasoline • On Road Diesel • Dyed Kerosene •

New Milford (Gulf)

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- Gasoline • On Road Diesel •

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