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9 Ways to Keep Your Home Warmer This Winter

Winter is here, and with it comes freezing temperatures that can chill you to the bone. Here are nine ways our heating experts recommend to help make your home a warmer and more comfortable place this winter.

ONE

Call Cape Light Compact at (800) 797-6699 for a free home energy assessment, including LED bulbs, faucet aerators, low flow showerheads and discounted programmable thermostats.

TWO

Install storm windows and doors. The extra layer of protection will help to prevent chilly winds, snow and rain from seeping into your home.

THREE

Move furniture away from walls and closer to the center of the room. Most home heating systems are built along the walls, and opening even a small gap allows warm air to circulate more freely.

FOUR

Close your curtains at night. A layer of fabric can help prevent chilly breezes from cold windows from entering your home. Insulated curtains do an even better job of keeping rooms comfortable.

FIVE

Insulate your attic. Because warm air rises, attic insulation is more effective than wall insulation when it comes to making your home more energy efficient.

SIX

Close off unused rooms. If you have a guest bedroom or extra storage room that you never use during winter months, close off heating registers and shut the doors tightly.

SEVEN

Reverse your ceiling fan. During hot weather your ceiling fan pulls warm air up and away from living spaces. But most fans can be reversed with a flick of a switch to push warm air down during colder months.

EIGHT

Check heating system filters each month and clean or replace them as needed. Dirty filters can reduce efficiency and shorten the life of your equipment.

NINE

Install a ductless heating system in the rooms you use most often. Ductless heaters do not require extensive ductwork or take up much space, but can provide clean, whisper quiet heat for a single room or open area of your home. The ductless system can also be switched over to air conditioning mode when the summer heat and humidity return.

For help in keeping your home and family safe and comfortable in any weather, call us!

When snow falls, help make sure your delivery driver does not!

Just a reminder that, once the snow starts to accumulate this winter, conditions for our delivery drivers and service technicians can become slippery and treacherous. If you are able to do so safely, please clear a safe path so that our delivery drivers can access your home's oil fill pipes. We want to make sure we keep you warm, while also keeping our drivers safe. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Need help shoveling or plowing? Call us!

A New Look for The Fuel Company



If you have traveled the roads of Cape Cod in the past several weeks you may have noticed three shiny new white vans bearing a snazzy new Fuel Company logo. Our signature lighthouse is still there, but with an updated design. We've also added a new tagline, "Energy Solutions," that demonstrates an expanded commitment to providing practical, affordable ways to keep you safe and comfortable all year round.

The updated look and feel of our company logo reflects the changes and advances we are making on behalf of our customers. We are here to be a complete resource for your energy needs, including advanced technologies that are both energy efficient and environmentally friendly.

Be on the lookout for the new Fuel Company logo on more vehicles, signs and other places as we roll it out in 2017.

Energy Rebate Program Extended to Small Businesses



A recent install of Mitsubishi ductless units at Persy's Place in Hyannis -- hard work by Kevin and John who made this one happen!

Rebate programs run by the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center (MassCEC) have resulted in millions of dollars in savings for homeowners who replace old, inefficient heating and cooling equipment with modern, energy efficient systems. Now MassCEC has expanded the rebate program to include small businesses and non-profits that install renewable heating, hot water and cooling technologies at their facilities.

These new technologies can help businesses save money on heating and cooling bills, while reducing greenhouse gas emissions and still maintaining a high level of comfort and reliability. They are generally more cost-effective to operate than traditional systems and reduce a company's carbon footprint, all while maintaining a high level of comfort.

For more information on who is eligible for the new rebates for small businesses and non-profits, you can go to www.MassCEC.com, or call us!

CAPE COD TRIVIA

Where was the Mayflower Compact, the first governing document of Plymouth County, signed?

Look for the answer in the next issue.

Answer to our last issue's trivia question...

Q: Who gave Cape Cod its name?

A: English explorer Bartholomew Gosnold named the area Cape Cod because of the abundance of cod in the waters surrounding the peninsula. Gosnold also named the Elizabeth Islands in honor of the British queen, and Martha's Vineyard after his infant daughter.



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