



## It's That Time of Year Again

It's time once again for your Fall and Winter Maintenance Tips from Haldeman Mechanical.

### Plumbing Tips

- ◆ Remove hoses from frost-free lawn faucets
- ◆ Change water filter cartridges and ultraviolet bulbs
- ◆ Re-bed acid neutralizers and carbon filters
- ◆ Check salt level on water softener

### Heating and Cooling Tips (Oil, Gas, Heat Pumps)

- ◆ Clean and service your system, including filter changes, chimney checks and efficiency tests
- ◆ Adjust return vents for heating season (Open bottom register and close top register)
- ◆ Add air quality components, including whole house filters, humidifiers and ultraviolet lights

With energy prices still high, replacing your current heating system this year will mean more than ever before. Haldeman Mechanical has new high-efficiency systems that will save you money all winter long. Contact us today and say goodbye to high heating bills this winter!

## Save Money On Heat This Winter!

Turn down the thermostat. Put on your heavy sweater and comfy slippers. It's time to get serious about ways to save money on your heating bill this winter.

🔥 **Don't heat unused rooms.** Close the registers, draw the drapes and shut the door. Provide just enough heat to those rooms to prevent frozen water pipes.

🔥 **Maintain heating systems.** Schedule annual service with Haldeman Mechanical to make sure your system works at peak efficiency or sign up for one of our Customer Assurance Agreements and we'll take care of your system for you.

🔥 **Change ceiling fans to the winter setting.** Heat rises so make use of it. Flip the toggle on a ceiling fan to send it in a clockwise direction. It will bring colder air up and send the warmer air at the ceiling down along the walls. Set the speed on low so the fan does not create a draft.

🔥 **Install a programmable thermostat.** This device offers various energy-saving options, such as automatically adjusting for a cooler nighttime setting and then bringing temperatures up a bit before you get up in the morning. The thermostat must fit the heating system - those with heat pumps need one that reduces use of auxiliary electric resistance heat and those with *(continued on page 3)*

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## Meet Our Employees

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### *Barry Jackson* Service Technician

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Barry Jackson has been a member of the Haldeman Mechanical family as a service technician since March of

2002. He and his wife Tina have one son, Barry Jr. The family lives in Rheems, where they recently purchased a new home. An active member of the National Rifle Association, Barry enjoys hunting, fishing and motorsports. He also enjoys spending time and hunting at his cabin in Perry County. So the next time he comes to your home for a service call, say hello to Barry!



### *John Dodson* Sales Manager

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John Dodson has been a member of the Haldeman Mechanical family since September of 1996, where he is currently

our sales manager. He and his wife Loretta have three children, Alicia, Brandi and John III, as well as three grandchildren, Cole, Tristin and Cadem. He is a member of the First Church of God in Middletown. John is also a member of the Scaffoldlick Hunting Camp where he enjoys spending time. In his spare time, he enjoys going to the mountains, hunting, traveling and exploring new places and spending time with his grandchildren.

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## Customer Assurance Agreements

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Haldeman Mechanical is very excited to announce a new service for our customers - *Customer Assurance Agreements*. These annual service agreements take all the guess work out of the maintenance of your home's heating and air conditioning systems and give you the security of knowing that your equipment is running at its best.


What our Customer Assurance Agreements give you, first and foremost, is peace of mind. The peace of mind of knowing your system is being maintained in the best condition. We actually perform a full cleaning of your equipment, not merely an inspection. Our comprehensive check lists for preventive maintenance are tailored to fit your equipment. We offer three plan levels to suit every need and budget. Visit our website at [www.haldemanmechanical.com](http://www.haldemanmechanical.com) for more information on what is included in each of our plans.


Haldeman Mechanical is proud to have served the plumbing, heating, cooling and water conditioning needs of the area since 1939. Please feel free to contact us at 665-6910 or email us at [info@haldemanmechanical.com](mailto:info@haldemanmechanical.com) with any questions you might have or to set up a Customer Assurance Agreement for your home.





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(continued from page 1) electric baseboard heaters need one that directly controls line voltage circuits.

 **Wash clothes in cold water.** Save the fuel costs to heat you and your family, not water for clothes that can be cleaned in cold water.


 **Check the fireplace.** When the fireplace is not in use and the damper is left open, warm air escapes out the chimney. Make sure the seal on the damper is in good condition and close it tightly when the fireplace is not in use.


 **Turn down the thermostat.** Wear layers and slippers. Experts say you can save 1% on heating bills with each degree the thermostat is set back if the setback period is at least eight hours.


 **Take care of exterior doors.** An older exterior door still in good condition will benefit from the addition of a



high-quality storm door. Check door sweeps to determine if new weatherstripping is needed. If it is, choose a product that can handle the weather, wear and tear of its location and seal well when the door is closed.

 **Remove or cover room air conditioners.** If you can, remove them for the season. If you can't, use tight-fitting covers, preferably ones that have insulated liners.

 **Let the sun shine in.** On bright winter days, the sun's low angle brings light streaming into your south-facing windows along with free solar heat. Close drapes at night and keep them closed on blustery, gray days. Make sure drapery and furniture don't block heat vents.

 **Limit run time for exhaust fans.** Let exhaust fans run for a maximum of 20 minutes after you are done cooking or bathing. If air is escaping, replace fans with high-efficiency models with dampers. (From [www.bobvila.com](http://www.bobvila.com))

## Fun Facts

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### *September 1st - Anniversary of the Titanic Discovery*

On this day in 1985, the Titanic was found 12,500 feet down on the floor of the Atlantic Ocean. Since then, expedition teams have found countless treasures from the sunken ship.

### *September 8th Oprah Winfrey Show Debut*

Today in 1986, the Oprah Winfrey show first aired. Fed up with trashy talk shows, Winfrey decided to upgrade the quality of topics to make the show informative, yet entertaining. Today it's seen by an estimated 49 million viewers a week.

### *October 13th Navy's Birthday*

The U.S. Navy was created today in 1775 when the Second Continental Congress authorized the acquisition of ships and establishment of a navy.

### *December 16th Boston Tea Party Anniversary*

On this day in 1773, Boston patriots, tired of British rule, climbed aboard three ships anchored in Boston Harbor and dumped nearly 45 tons of tea into the Atlantic.

### *January 13th First Radio Broadcast*

A century ago in 1910, radio pioneer and electron tube

inventor Lee De Forest arranged the world's first public broadcast event at New York City Metropolitan Opera. Hearing the voice of Enrico Caruso, some 50 listeners across the city (equipped with earphones) were the first public audience for the sounds of the stage through wireless communication.

### *January 17 PGA of America Founded*

In 1916, golf great Walter Hagen and 30 other professional golfers met to form the Professional Golfers' Association of America and developed the idea for a national championship.

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Available now through December 2010, installing qualified HVAC and water heating equipment gets you a 30% tax credit up to \$1,500. See [www.energystar.gov](http://www.energystar.gov). Now is the time to take advantage, with electric rates rising up to 37% beginning this January. Due to Pennsylvania Act 129 of 2008, PPL Utilities on July 1, 2009 requested approval of the PA Public Utility Commission to give customers rebates when installing energy efficient equipment, including HVAC systems and programmable thermostats. See [www.pplelectric.com](http://www.pplelectric.com) for more details. Installing geothermal heat pump systems between now and December 2016 qualifies you for a 30% tax credit with no rate cap. These systems are more expensive up front, but with the savings on energy, the "green" aura, plus the 30% tax credit with no rate cap, these systems are worth a peek when you're looking to update your system. Also, low interest loans and rebates may be available through the Keystone HELP state program for which Haldeman is an approved contractor. See [www.keystonehelp.com](http://www.keystonehelp.com). Contact Haldeman Mechanical today to get your share of these rebates and tax credits!