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HOMECENTS is published quarterly and provides many money saving and safety tips for all of our Air Comfort Solutions customers and friends.

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SOME THINGS JUST DON'T LOOK RIGHT!

Like 2003 Heisman Trophy winner Jason White with a basketball in his hands for one!

However, when it comes to your home's furnace working efficiently it's much tougher to tell when things don't look right. That's why you should annually have your furnace checked by a trained heat and air service professional.

A furnace that is running at peak performance provides safe, economical heat and one that is not running efficiently can be deadly. Carbon Monoxide is a natural product of incomplete combustion. Virtually every as furnace

produces some Carbon Monoxide, which is usually carried away from your home through the furnace's venting. A clean, efficiently burning gas furnace produces very small amounts of the odorless, colorless gas but an inefficiently burning one can produce unhealthy amounts, at first causing flu-like symptoms, disorientation, confusion and even death.

It is highly recommended that you have your furnace cleaned and checked every year by a heat and air service professional that is trained to look for the things which don't look right. Over time, furnaces can



Is Jason White ready for some hoops?

develop small cracks in the combustion chamber and may not be visible to the naked eye. For that reason, just because your furnace passed inspection one year doesn't mean it will the next.

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HOW TO TELL WHEN YOUR FURNACE IS NOT FEELING WELL

When is it time to call an Air Comfort Solutions service technician? Look and listen for the following from your furnace.

Scale: Just by looking, you can spot these flakes of rust, produced by the by-products of burning gas (carbon dioxide and water vapor). Scale may fall on the burners and impede gas flow. Over time, scale can damage your furnace by harboring moisture and creating rust.

Grinding, chattering sounds from relays: these sounds signify electrical problems, usually a burner that is huffing and puffing; banging (delayed ignition) or a bumping sound (a cracked belt passing over pulleys). A good rule of thumb, if it's an unusual noise, it's a problem.

Yellow Flame: The flame in your furnace should be sharp and blue, clean and stable, burning purely as possible. A yellow flame indicates dirt is in the burner, which prevents it from mixing the gas and air properly. A furnace tune-up will eliminate this.

Dusty Smell: You turn up the thermostat and within minutes, your home is filled with a dry, dusty smell. Don't worry! It's just burning the dust of the combustion chamber. Change your filter. However, if it's a constant odor, call your ACS technician. If it smells like gas, call your utility company.

Backdrafting/Negative Pressure: Negative pressure results when you take air out of the house by using oxygen faster than air can enter the house. Backdrafting is a natural consequence of negative pressure or air rushing into the house through the chimney, choking off the natural process of venting.

Carbon Monoxide: Your furnace breathes, just like you. Provide adequate ventilation to the unit and consider installing a fresh air intake. Make sure you use Carbon Monoxide detectors combined with routine maintenance checks (mark them on your calendar).



STILL TIME TO GET A \$1,500 TAX STIMULUS CREDIT IN 2010!

You could raise your comfort level and lower your energy bills significantly by installing insulation, replacing leaky windows and doors, and **replacing old furnaces and air conditioners with energy-efficient models.**

But those projects cost money, and there's precious little of that around these days. Still, you may be able to recoup some of your costs when you file your 2010 taxes. The economic stimulus package signed into law in February 2009 revived and expanded tax credits for energy-efficient home improvements that expired in 2007.

The bad news is that homeowners who installed new windows or insulation in 2008 are out of luck, at least as far as federal tax credits are concerned. The new tax credits don't apply to home improvements made prior to 2009.

Here's a look at what's available:

A tax credit for 30% of the cost of energy-efficient doors and windows, insulation, **air conditioners, furnaces, heat pumps and boilers**, up to a lifetime cap of \$1,500. This credit is available for 2010. That means if you spend \$8,000 on a new furnace this year and claim a \$1,500 tax credit on your 2010 tax return. This is a more generous credit than the one that was available in 2006 and 2007, which covered 10% of the costs, up to a lifetime cap of \$500. The old credits also contained individual caps, such as a \$200 limit on new windows. With the new credits, you can claim 30% of all your energy-efficient costs, up to the lifetime cap, she says.

However, if you buy a new air conditioner, furnace, heat pump or boiler that meets the energy-efficient guidelines, you can include the cost of installation in calculating the credit.

Only improvements to your primary residence qualify for the credits. Unlike other tax credits, there are no income phase outs. In addition, taxpayers who are subject to the alternative minimum tax — a parallel tax system that often affects people who pay high property taxes — will be able to claim the credits. .

For more information about eligible energy-efficient furnaces call us you Air Comfort Solutions service representative or go to our website at www.aircomfordsolutions.net.



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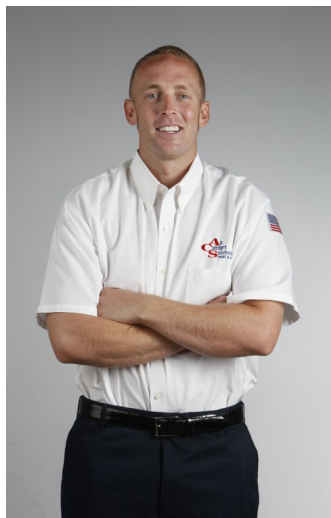
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Jason White

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