



And it happened...on Sunday, Sept. 22,

we officially flipped the seasons from summer to fall. Another summer in the history books. I hope yours was a fun one!

We still have many wonderful, warm days ahead. Those warm days are bookended by chilly nights and (soon to be) frosty mornings. And with each passing day, the temps will drop a bit more, sweaters will come out, and the heat will be turned on. But if you're waiting to flip that furnace switch to pay attention to your heating system, you're playing roulette. Now is the time to make sure things are in perfect order, before you need them. Read on for tips and advice on how to move into the colder months feeling warm and confident inside!

October is a great month in Connecticut: Enjoy the leaves, drink some cider, stock up on lots of different kinds of apples, and make sure you are extra careful of the ghosts, goblins and witches when Halloween rolls around!

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Tune It Up!

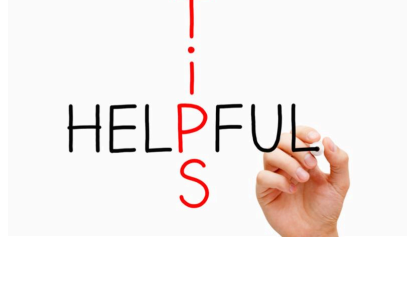


If you've ever had an issue with your furnace, you know the importance of an annual cleaning and inspection. You're probably already on our schedule for 2024. If you haven't made that appointment yet, pick up the phone now and get it onto your calendar! Here are our tips.

- **WAITING TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT MEANS LIMITED OPTIONS** for service. You'll also start the heating season with a less-than-efficient or clean system that could cost you more in fuel costs.
- **EFFICIENTLY HEATING YOUR HOME** is one of the biggest benefits of an annual heating system cleaning and tune up. It ensures your system is in peak condition.
- **A QUALITY CLEANING** improves air flow, and cleans out dust, contaminants, debris and mold.
- **IT'S ALSO ABOUT YOUR FAMILY'S SAFETY.** Ensuring your heat exchanger is working properly is essential to preventing carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is odorless and colorless, and our HVAC team is trained to ensure your heat exchanger is working properly.
- **IF NEW EQUIPMENT IS NECESSARY**, we have the quality products, financing plans and expertise to provide recommendations and work with you on a new installation.

[Schedule Now!](#)

Has A New Heating System Become a Priority?



Some purchases are exciting, and we dive in to find just the right item. Some are necessary and it feels like there's more weight to the decision. A new heating system probably falls into that second category.

- **First and foremost**, Tracey Energy's HVAC team is licensed and insured to consult with you and install your new system. We are your partners in heating and cooling your home.
- **New systems are much more efficient and reliable**, saving you money and giving you peace of mind. You'll also decrease your carbon footprint as you decrease your energy bills.
- **Choose the furnace that is the right size for your home, based on your square footage.**
- **Pay attention to a new unit's AFUE rating.** A high rating, which can be over 90 percent, equates to its efficiency. And like most equipment today, new systems come with apps, automatic diagnostics, and other settings that help you both manage and customize your system. [Check out the top brands we represent.](#)
- **Talk to us about financing.** We are approved [National Energy Improvement Fund \(NEIF\)](#) contractors and can finance up to 100 percent of your energy improvements with fixed-rate, affordable monthly payment options with no points, fees or closing costs.
- **Make sure you understand how your new system works.** From how to read the gauges to how to turn the system off in an emergency, make sure you are comfortable with basic operations of the unit.

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Ways to Lower Heating Costs

We like to repeat this list of ways to lower heating costs by ensuring that warmth stays in your house where it belongs!

1. **Use weather stripping to plug drafts** around windows, doors and electrical outlets. Door threshold gaps can be fixed with a bottom seal. If cold air is getting in, your energy costs are going up.
2. **Six inches of insulation in your attic** will ensure your heat isn't literally going through the roof.
3. **Wrap your pipes.** This will keep the heat inside the pipe and protect against them freezing. Frozen pipes can be a nightmare (and very costly).
4. **Schedule a heating system tune-up NOW** so everything is working properly, filters are clean, and any issues are addressed.
5. **Remove AC window units.** Even better, consider upgrading to ductless units that never need to be moved and can even provide an extra heat boost in the cold seasons. Call us about prices and installation.



Bioheat® Fuel Deliveries Are Starting

While it is transparent to our customers, we remain committed to delivering environmentally responsible, high-quality Bioheat® Fuel. Bioheat® Fuel is a blend of biodiesel and ultra-low-sulfur heating fuel, and while Connecticut companies are required to use a 10 percent blend of biodiesel, Tracey Energy's blend is 20 percent, called "Bioheat Super Plus® fuel." That's better for the environment, and better for your heating system because it burns cleaner. Biodiesel uses renewable oil products and moves us towards net-zero carbon emissions (the industry's goal is to reach this by 2050). Learn more about it at [mybioheat.com](#) or on the [Tracey Energy website](#).

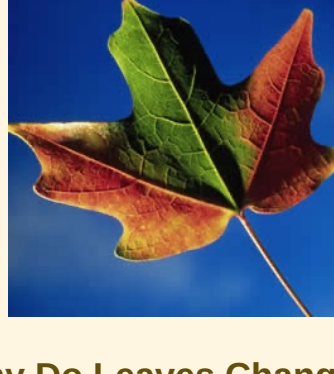


Soon, ghosts, goblins, witches, princesses, and superheroes will be showing up at our doors. Can you guess the most popular treats? According to [CandyStore.com](#), here are the top ten:

- Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
- M&Ms
- Hot tamales
- Skittles
- Sour Patch Kids
- Starburst
- Hershey Kisses
- Candy Corn
- Hershey Mini Bars
- Snickers

Connecticut's top three?

- Almond Joy
- Milky Way
- M&Ms
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Why Do Leaves Change Color?

Ask anyone about what makes fall so special, and they will probably talk about the changing color of the leaves. Did you know that color change happens because the green is coming out of the leaves, and not that the red, yellow or orange is being added?

According to SUNY's Department of Environmental Science and Forestry, "...because of the changes in the length of daylight and changes in temperature, the leaves stop their food-making process. The chlorophyll breaks down, the green color disappears, and the yellow to orange colors become visible..." Nature is amazing!

