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*From Our
Family To Yours*

We Are Local and Proud

There are businesses that want you to think that bigger is better; that because they have bought up smaller companies all over the country, they somehow know more than the local service provider down the street. To them, we say, "We are proud to be a local service provider." **We have been part of this community for nearly 70 years**, our customers' children and grandchildren rely on us for their home comfort, and no oversized conglomerate can change that.

It all started in 1956, when Louis "Peewee" Harris began the company with a single truck and a vision. Operating from his home, Louis combined fuel oil delivery with service work, building a reputation based on trust and excellent service. His commitment to the community and customer satisfaction laid the foundation for what would become **a family tradition of high-quality comfort solutions**.

We've continued to grow, bringing **high-efficiency equipment** and modern solutions to homes and businesses, ensuring they're comfortable year-round while helping you save on energy costs. Plus, with our **comprehensive service plans**, you can rest easy knowing that your equipment will be maintained and running at its best, all while avoiding unexpected repair costs.

*Make sure you read about the benefits of enrolling in a **Budget Plan** on page 5!*

There is plenty more insightful information in this newsletter, including:

- ✓ **Thunder and Lightning, Not Very Frightening**
- ✓ **Stop the *Ab-choos* with Air Cleaners**
- ✓ **Memorial Day: Some Gave All**
- ✓ **Your Annual Propane Safety Notice**
- ✓ **It's Time to Get Outside – Safely**
- ✓ **Service Plans Make Your Life Easier**
- ✓ **And More!**



We're proud of our long history in Bucks County and our continued dedication to providing the best in heating, cooling, and home comfort services. Many of our customers have been with us for over 50 years, and we look forward to serving the community for many more generations to come!

Contact us today 215-968-7477 or 609-386-4658 and view our products and services at Harriscomfort.com.

Sincerely,

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President

It's Time to Get Outside – Safely!

Long drives, scenic hikes, bike rides, beach days, and cozy nights around the fire pit. There is something for everyone to enjoy outdoors. Let's make sure you get to enjoy the beautiful weather to its fullest by following some smart safety tips.

Take These Safety Tips on Your Outdoor Adventures!

- **Reapply sunscreen** – You should reapply sunscreen every two hours, and more often if swimming or sweating.
- **Stay hydrated** – Hydration is absolutely essential. Make sure you are drinking plenty of water throughout the day, especially if you are doing physical activity.
- **Swim with others**—always have a buddy when in the water for added safety.
- **Watch out for pets**—keep them cool, hydrated, and shaded. Avoid walking them during peak heat hours.
- **Use proper gear**—whether hiking, biking, or boating, make sure your equipment is safe and in good condition.

Whether you're out exploring nature or enjoying time with loved ones, safety should always come first. With these tips, you can fully enjoy all your outdoor adventures while staying safe and protected!



Were Your Fingers Crossed?

Were you crossing your fingers that your heating system would last through another winter? It may be time to stop relying on luck and invest in a new high-efficiency system. You'll save money in the long run and enjoy peace of mind knowing you're prepared for whatever next winter brings. A modern system offers numerous benefits that make it a smart investment for your home and wallet!

Here are 5 reasons to consider upgrading your heating equipment:

- 1. Improved Efficiency:** New heating systems are designed with cutting-edge technology that allows them to operate more efficiently than older models. This improved efficiency means your system doesn't have to work as hard to keep your home warm, allowing it to perform more effectively while using less energy.
- 2. Lower Energy Bills:** With the improved efficiency of a modern heating system, you'll likely see a decrease in your monthly energy usage. As your system uses less energy to produce the same amount of heat, your monthly heating bills will naturally decrease!
- 3. Increased Comfort:** One of the main benefits of a new heating system is its ability to maintain consistent temperatures throughout your home. Older systems can struggle to distribute heat evenly, leading to cold spots or rooms that never seem to warm up. Modern systems are designed to ensure a more balanced and comfortable living environment.
- 4. Environmental Benefits:** A high-efficiency heating system uses less energy to generate the same amount of heat, which has a direct impact on your carbon footprint. By reducing energy consumption, you're also reducing the environmental impact associated with your home comfort.
- 5. Enhanced Reliability:** No finger crossing is required to avoid an equipment breakdown with your new system. Modern heating systems are built with better components and improved technology, which makes them more reliable than older models. The days of relying on good luck to make it through the winter are in the past!

In addition to these benefits, we can help you secure any available factory rebates, tax incentives, and financing options to make your payments more manageable.

Don't wait for your luck to run out and your old system to break down completely—an upgrade now will improve your home comfort and save you money for years to come. Call us today to learn more about your options!



Protect Your Comfort Systems with Surge Protectors

Today's comfort systems are built with advanced technology and electronics that provide improved efficiency and convenience. However, these systems are more sensitive to power surges, which can cause serious damage. With the unpredictable nature of electrical storms and grid fluctuations, having surge protection in place is more important than ever.

What is a surge protector? Surge protectors guard against voltage spikes, which can happen from lightning, power outages, or when your refrigerator or other large home appliance cycles on and off. Without protection, your HVAC system's parts, including the compressor, control board, and thermostat can be damaged. Whether you opt for a whole-home surge protector or one directly connected to your comfort equipment, both offer valuable protection.

Protect your investment and enjoy peace of mind knowing your comfort systems are safe from the damaging effects of power surges.



Out with the New Refrigerant, In with the Newer Refrigerant

It was just a few years ago that the EPA phased out the production and use of R-22 refrigerant for R-410A. The phase-out of R-410A started January of this year, and the phase-in of newer R-454B or R32 began. With all these changes, it's important to understand how and why we got here, and what it means for YOU!

Where We Started...

The refrigerants used in air conditioning systems have undergone several changes over the decades, driven by environmental concerns. **R-12, once the standard**, was phased out after it was found to deplete the ozone layer. **R-22 replaced it** but still posed a high global warming potential (GWP). In response, **R-410A became the go-to option**, offering no ozone depletion potential but with a higher GWP.

Where We Arrived...

Now, with the focus shifted heavily to GWP, the EPA has set new regulations for refrigerants, mandating the use of low-GWP options like **R-454B** or **R-32** in new cooling systems manufactured after January 1, 2025. These refrigerants have zero ozone depletion potential and a much lower GWP, making them a more eco-friendly choice. Most major manufacturers were already adopting R-454B in their new equipment. However, the newer systems using these new refrigerants do come at a higher cost. And the new refrigerants cannot be used in older systems because of compatibility issues.

Where We're Going...

We can't predict when the next set of regulations may occur, but, the good news is, there is no expiration on producing R-410A refrigerant, and **we still have some older, more affordable models in stock**. So, whether you want to get ahead of the curve with a new system or upgrade with a less expensive system using R-410A, **call us today to discuss your air conditioning options** so we can find the perfect unit for YOU!



Keep Your A/C Working Its Best

Your central air conditioner or heat pump is a complex piece of machinery. Your annual tune-up and checkup make sure it is ready for summer heat and humidity, but there are things you can do throughout the season to keep it working at top efficiency. By following some simple tips, you can help extend the life of your system and keep your home comfortable all summer long!

Here are a few essential maintenance tasks to keep your AC in top shape:

- **Check and Replace Filters Regularly:** Dirty filters can block airflow and strain your system. This can reduce the health of your equipment and raise monthly utility bills. Remember to replace or clean filters every 1-3 months to maintain optimal performance.
- **Keep Vents Clear:** Ensure that vents are not obstructed by furniture, curtains, or other objects. Proper airflow is crucial for efficient cooling and the longevity of your system.
- **Clear Debris Around the Outdoor Unit:** Keep the area around your outdoor unit free of leaves, dirt, or debris. This allows the system to release heat properly and function efficiently.
- **Ensure Proper Insulation:** Check that your home is properly insulated to keep the cool air in and the warm air out, reducing the load on your AC.

By staying on top of these maintenance tasks, your AC will perform better, save energy, and keep you cool when you need it most! Make sure you contact us to schedule your air conditioning tune-up before the summer kicks off!



Service Plans Make Your Life Easier!

We know you can't be truly comfortable if you are worried about the potential cost of a heating or air conditioning repair. Our service plans take that weight right off your shoulders!

As your full-service comfort company, we understand more than anyone that your comfort comes with a cost, and we do everything we can to make those costs more manageable. One of the ways we help reduce annual energy spending is with our service plan programs. Whether it's a heating repair in the winter or an air conditioning tune-up in the spring, service plans help you save year-round!

A Few Benefits to a Service Plan Include:

- **Discounted Parts:** Our plans cover components of your comfort equipment, ensuring that you save money on parts and labor.
- **Priority Service:** If something goes wrong, you'll have access to our prompt, priority service to get your system back up and running.
- **Peace of Mind:** You can't put a price on peace of mind. Sit back and relax knowing that your home comfort equipment is protected by the best in the business!

Don't wait until a problem arises—enroll in a service plan today and enjoy the comfort you deserve along with the ultimate peace of mind! Contact us for more information about our service plans.



Stop the Ah-choos with Air Cleaners

Spring is here, bringing with it lush green grass, beautiful flowers, and leafy trees – but for allergy sufferers, it's a tough time of year. As you open the windows to enjoy the fresh air, you're also letting in all those pesky allergens. Don't worry, though! We have indoor air purification solutions to keep your home fresh and your air clean.

Are you suffering from any of these symptoms at home? **It could be caused by poor air quality:**

- Irritated eyes
- Runny nose
- Coughing
- Scratchy throat
- Headaches
- Dry skin
- Nasal congestion

Air Cleaners

The EPA ranks indoor air pollution among the top five environmental risks to public health. Common culprits found in air pollution include pollen, pet dander, and dust. The best way to remove the pollutants and allergens from your indoor air is to install an electronic air cleaner. Our whole-home purification systems can seamlessly integrate with your heating and cooling systems to stop the allergens before they have a chance to enter your home.

The three tenets to home comfort are heating, cooling, and **indoor air quality**. Don't let your allergies hamper your comfort; contact us today!



Your Annual Propane Safety Notice



Propane is an efficient and safe energy source that is used for a variety of applications inside and outside your home. However, even the safest fuels can pose risks if not handled properly. To help ensure the safety of you and your family, we've put together some essential safety tips. If you're not currently using propane but want to learn more, feel free to call us at **215-968-7477**.

Do you smell propane? Follow these 7 steps:

1. Do not ignite flames or sparks
2. Do not turn any light switches on/off
3. Leave the area immediately
4. Shut off the gas if it is safe
5. Report the leak to 911 or Harris Comfort
6. Do not return to the building or area
7. Have your system checked!

Stay Safe with P3 Propane Safety Technology

At Harris Comfort, your safety is our top priority. That's why we've implemented **P3 Propane Safety Technology**, a cutting-edge inspection tool endorsed by the **National Propane Gas Association**. This advanced technology helps ensure your home stays secure while using propane, one of the safest energy sources available.



Benefits of P3 Propane Safety:

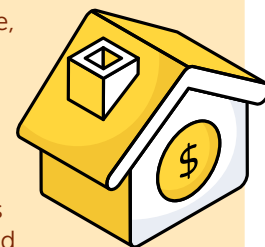
- Enhances the accuracy of safety inspections
- Provides detailed, reliable documentation for every customer
- Supports our commitment to your family's safety and well-being
- Adds an extra layer of protection to your propane system

Propane is an efficient, versatile, and safe energy source, but practicing proper safety techniques is crucial to minimizing the chance of an incident at home. Learn more about all our propane services by going to Harriscomfort.com.

Take Control with a Budget Plan

Fluctuating heating oil prices can be a headache, especially with the ups and downs caused by global events and unpredictable weather. At Harris Comfort, we offer a solution that brings stability to your heating costs with our **Budget Plan!**

Instead of facing a large, unexpected bill during the winter, we'll spread your fuel oil costs throughout the year, making your payments more manageable. This not only helps you avoid financial strain but also simplifies your budgeting process, making it easier to plan for other expenses.



In addition to consistent payments, our budget plan offers the **convenience of automatic deliveries**. With enrollment in our automatic delivery program, you won't have to worry about checking your fuel levels or reminding yourself to schedule a delivery. We'll keep track of your usage and deliver fuel when you need it!

For even greater ease, our AutoPay Plan is available. You can choose to have your payments automatically billed to your credit card or debited from your checking account, saving you time and effort each month.

Keep an eye out! Enrollment will be opening soon.

With a budget plan at Harris Comfort, you can enjoy peace of mind and greater control over your heating costs. To learn more, go to Harriscomfort.com and click the "Contact Us" tab.

Want more information?

Simply complete the form below and send it back to us.

Name (first, middle initial, last)

Address

City

State

ZIP

Phone

Email Address

I'd like more information on:

(check all applicable)

- ☐ Indoor Air Quality Solutions
- ☐ Programmable Thermostats
- ☐ Heating Equipment Replacements
- ☐ Service Plans
- ☐ Cooling System Upgrades
- ☐ Other: _____

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Memorial Day: Some Gave All

Please join us in remembering the brave men and women of our military who paid the ultimate price for our freedoms. We honor their memories and send our gratitude to their families and friends. Happy Memorial Day.

Thunder and Lightning, Not Very Frightening



Every time a thunderstorm rolls through, a part of you thinks, "Is the power going to stay on?" When you get a new whole-home automatic backup generator, you never have to worry! Make your neighbors jealous and keep your family safe when your backup generator keeps your lights on during the next power outage.

Our Generac generators come in a variety of power capacities and turn on within moments of sensing a power failure. You won't have to flip a single switch or lift a finger! Powered by either propane or natural gas, your generator can power your comfort equipment, lights, refrigerator, and your kids' electrical devices to keep them entertained while you wait for the power to come back online.

Here are a few benefits of having a whole-home backup generator:

- **Increased Safety:** Let there be light! Backup generators help you and your family avoid an injury in the dark by keeping your lights on.
- **Uninterrupted Power:** When an outage hits, your generator may power your laundry machines, phone chargers, dishwashers, and more, so your life goes on smoothly.
- **Preserved Food:** Your refrigerator and freezer will stay on, preventing food from spoiling.
- **Endless Entertainment:** Keep your TV and other appliances running, and keep your family entertained and calm, especially young children during stressful situations.
- **Peace of Mind:** A whole-home generator ensures you don't have to worry about your daily life being disrupted during the next power outage.



Protect your home and comfort year-round, no matter what the weather brings. Call Harris Comfort at 215-968-7477 or 609-386-4658 today to schedule your consultation!