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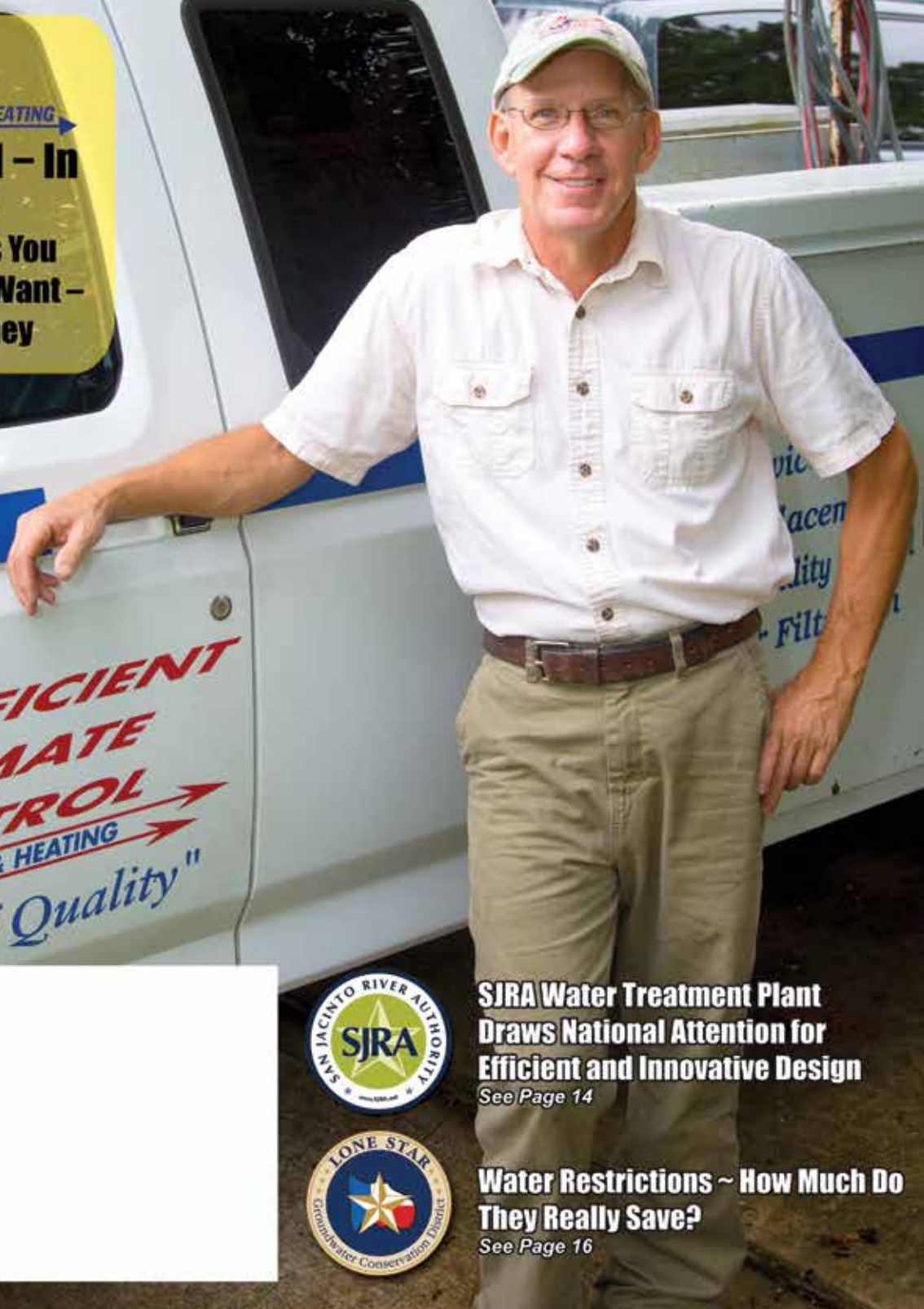
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# Keeping Cool *In the Zone*

**Cool the Rooms You Want,  
When You Want –  
and Save Money**

*By: Brad Meyer*



**Advancements in technology allow AC units to maximize efficiency with variable speed capabilities.**



**Sophisticated microprocessors control the latest air conditioning equipment.**

The smart technology that has revolutionized the communication and entertainment industry is about to change the way you cool your house in summer, heat it in winter and take charge all year long.

That's because the latest technology in air conditioning offers an innovative approach to its job of keeping your home comfortable. In the past, the AC unit was either on, cooling the whole house to a desired temperature, or off.

"With newer systems, we can create zones within the home and cool only the rooms that need air conditioning during various parts of the day or night," said Paul Stamper, owner of Efficient Climate Control. "With variable speed units, we can achieve significantly better operating efficiency – and that means real savings in utility costs."

That's because most AC systems are either on, operating at 100 percent to cool your home to a specified temperature, or off. But efficient air conditioning isn't solely about cooling, it's about reducing humidity. Variable speed technology allows the system to operate more effectively and efficiently to maintain a comfortable temperature and humidity.

"The newer systems also offer digital capabilities that integrate into a home

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management system,” said Stamper. “You can control the temperature in your home via WiFi on your smart phone or a computer from the office, across town or anywhere in the world.”

New technology also allows homeowners to have wireless control over lights, security cameras and door locks throughout the house with easy-to-use computer and tablet apps. Special monitoring capabilities will also notify Efficient Climate Control staffers if there is a potential problem with the system.

“There’s a good chance we’ll know about a potential problem before the homeowner does,” said Stamper. “The system can notify us if there is a maintenance issue.”

Staying on the cutting edge of technology is nothing new for Stamper and Efficient Climate Control. Since 1980, Efficient Climate Control has been a leading air conditioning service company in The Woodlands area, proving quality service for repairs and installation of all types of air conditioning.

“A lot of air conditioning companies try to make money by selling a homeowner a new system, whether they need on or not,” said Stamper. “Many times a system can be fixed with a routine service call or replacing a relatively inexpensive part.”

The problem, of course, is most homeowners don’t have the knowledge and expertise to diagnose their air conditioning system. That’s why dealing with an honest and reliable service provider is important. Some of the big AC companies in Montgomery County are aggressive in pushing new systems. Before accepting a service technician’s recommen-

**The same wireless app that controls the air conditioning can control lights, door locks, security cameras or other residential devices.**

ation for a new heating and cooling system, Stamper suggests getting a second opinion from another company.

“The reason we’ve been successful for more than three decades is we provide quality service you can rely on,” said Stamper. “Our reputation is important to us. We can explain the situation and let you decide what you want to do.”

When evaluating an air condition concern, Stamper conducts a review of the property before making a recommendation. The size of the structure, ducting, windows and personal preferences are key factors in recommending a system. His experienced crews also check out the existing system to make sure it’s working properly.

“We’ve had people call wanting a new system and found the problem is a lack of Freon in the system,” said Stamper. “It’s a good idea to have your system checked out twice a year by professionals – right before the high heat of summer and the cold weather in winter – usually October and March.”

Getting a quote over the phone, without an experienced technician reviewing the property, is simply guesswork, said Stamper – and probably wrong. Every house and every situation is different, requiring a review and assessment of the situation.

With a background in the heating and cooling industry, Woodlands resident Chris Haats did a lot of research before choosing Efficient Climate Control to install a new AC

system in his upscale home. He wanted an efficient, variable speed system that could provide zoned heating and cooling and be monitored and controlled via digital devices.

“We checked a lot of references and talked to a lot of people about their level of satisfaction with their air conditioning company,” said Haats. “Paul came highly recommended. We’re very pleased with his knowledge, expertise and commitment to customer service. We asked a lot of questions and he always had the right answers.”

Efficient Climate Control is a certified dealer for American Standard, a leader in the air conditioning and heating industry, but the company can provide service for any brand. Efficient Climate Control offers free estimates on equipment replacements and system upgrades for commercial and residential projects, big or small.

“The only thing some people know about air conditioning is that it works well or it doesn’t,” said Stamper. “We have the training, experience and expertise to make sure you get the most cost efficient system possible.”

For information on Efficient Climate Control, visit [www.efficientclimatecontrol.com](http://www.efficientclimatecontrol.com) or call 281-367-5267. ♦



**Efficient Climate Control owner Paul Stamper explains the workings of the control panel to a homeowner.**



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