

The Big Chill Checkup



By: Brad Meyer

The service team at Efficient Climate Control includes, from left, owner Paul Stamper, Brandon Hall and Tim Alt.

The smart way to cool the rooms you want, when you want, this summer – and save money

Smart technology has been changing the way you cool your house in summer, heat it in winter and take charge all year long.

That's because the latest advances in home heating and air conditioning offer an innovative

approach to keeping your home comfortable all year round. In summers 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 efficiency with a quieter level of sound – and that means real savings in utility costs."

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At A Glance

Efficient Climate Control, a leader in the air conditioning industry in north Harris and Montgomery Counties for more than three decades, is located at 2241 Golden Road in The Woodlands area. For information, visit www.efficientclimatecontrol.com or call 281-367-5267.



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100 percent to cool your home to a specified temperature, or off. Variable speed technology allows the system to operate from 30% to 110% capacity allowing better temperature and humidity control.

“The newer systems also offer digital capabilities that integrate into a home 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 eventually 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.”

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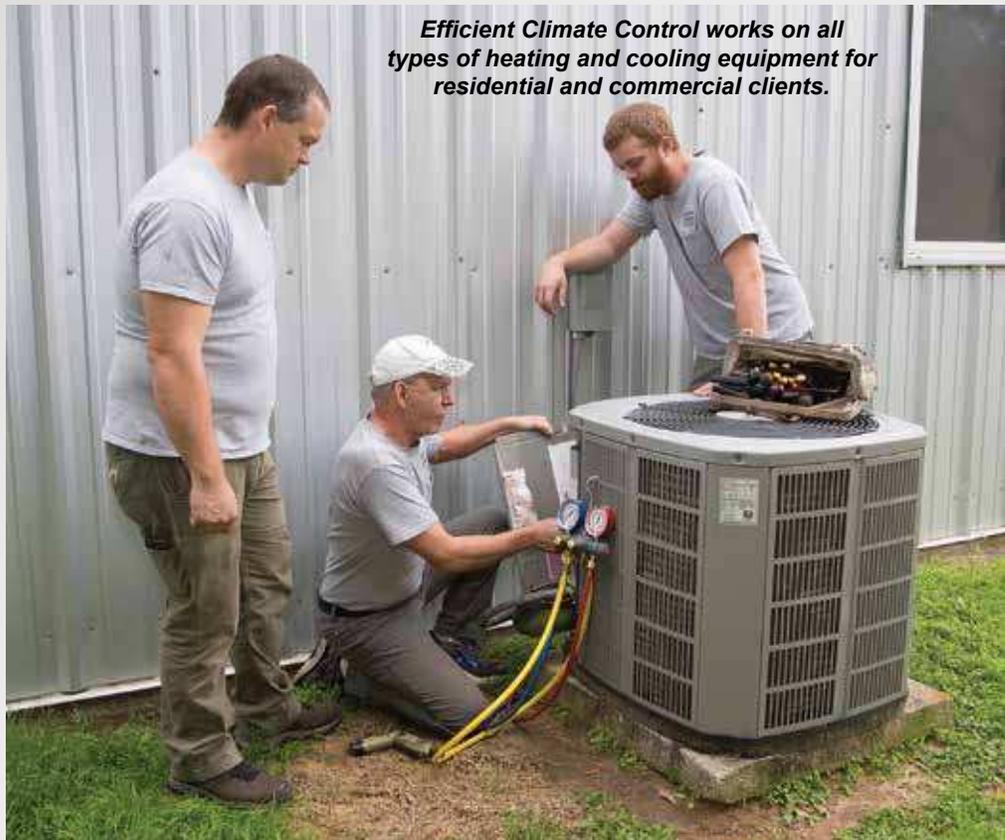
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Efficient Climate Control works on all types of heating and cooling equipment for residential and commercial clients.



The biggest problem with many systems is poorly designed and installed air ducts which provide insufficient air flow and leaks. You lose efficiency leading to higher utility bills because homeowners are heating and cooling their attics as well as their homes. Stamper estimates 95 percent of homes have return systems that are too small and due to this are improperly charged.

“With no inspections required in The Woodlands area, there is no guarantee your new system is designed or installed as efficiently as possible,” said Stamper. “There is no ‘one-size-fits-all’ solution; every situation is different.”

When evaluating an air conditioning 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 after being quoted a new system and found the problem is a lack of Freon in the system,” said Stamper. “And just because you need a new AC system doesn’t mean you need a new furnace for heat – that can be a savings of over \$3,000 right there.”

It’s a good idea to have your system checked out twice a year by professionals – right before the

is nothing new for Stamper and Efficient Climate Control. Since 1980, Efficient Climate Control has been a leading air conditioning service company specializing in duct work design, providing quality service for repairs and installation of all types of air conditioning. We have been certified in air balancing and trained in humidity control.

“A lot of air conditioning companies try to make money by selling a homeowner a new system, whether they need one or not,” said Stamper. “Many times a system can be fixed with a routine service call or by 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 recommendation for a new heating and cooling system, Stamper suggests getting a second opinion from another company.



Efficient Climate Control is one of the top rated HVAC companies in the north Houston, Montgomery County area.

high heat of summer and the cold weather in winter – said Stamper. Efficient Climate Control offers maintenance contracts to ensure your heating and cooling system is operating properly all year.

Getting a quote over the phone, without an experienced technician reviewing the property, is simply guesswork, said Stamper – and probably wrong. Every house and situation is different, requiring a review and assessment so we are sure the customer is provided with the best system.

But it’s equally important to work with professionals that have the training and expertise to handle your needs. Efficient Climate Control is the only provider in



When not working on heating and air conditioning units, owner Paul Stamper rides old school Yamaha motorcycles.



The Woodlands area certified by North American Technician Excellence, and is recognized as a Customer Care Dealer by American Standard, a leader in AC technology – ensuring their technicians undergo continuing education to stay up to date on new technology. Efficient Climate Control offers free estimates on equipment replacements and system upgrades for commercial and residential projects, big or small.

Stamper suggests that this is the best time of the year for installing new duct work or upgrading a system. By doing the difficult part of the job, such as duct work in the winter, your new system can perform at its maximum potential, especially when it needs to be replaced.

In addition to designing, installing and servicing AC systems, Stamper is also a motorcycle enthusiast, riding old school Yamaha bikes on the road tracks such as Circuit of America in Austin or Barber Motorpark in Alabama. It's fair to say he knows about working with technology to achieve superior performance.

“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.”

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