



# One Stop Shop News



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## Prepare for Winter, Get Your Heat Pump Now

Temperatures are dropping, energy bills are increasing. To significantly reduce your energy costs during the coming months you can buy a programmable thermostat or a heat pump. The most effective way to reduce your costs, however, is to buy a heat pump because, by comparison, the cost of electricity is far less than oil. To save even more, when you ask One Stop Home Repair for a heat pump you are immediately qualified to receive a \$300 instant rebate that is applied to your bill. In addition to this instant rebate from us, Efficiency of Maine offers a \$500 mail-in rebate and the IRS offers a \$300 tax credit! And as if that's not enough, in less than 3 years, you'll have the rest of your money back because you won't be spending as much on heating oil!

If you aren't home all the time, why should your heating system think you are? You can get a programmable thermostat, program it to your schedule and heat accordingly. A programmable thermostat is a great way to save. On the other hand, the savings that come with a heat pump are a lot more.

Have you ever noticed the heat escaping from the back of your refrigerator? Heat pumps work in a similar way. According to Efficiency of Maine, "heat pumps use the difference between outdoor and indoor air to produce warm or cool air, which is quietly distributed into the interior space." Heat pumps use less energy because they move heat rather than generate it. The system heats by absorbing outside air and moves it directly indoors. A heat pump is not a space heater. A space heater uses an excessive amount of electricity to heat up and keep metal or ceramic coils hot.

If a heat pump struggles to maintain the desired temperature through a stretch of time below 0°Fahrenheit, your furnace will intervene.

A heat pump is an investment that pays for itself, several times. Get yours installed before winter hits. Call our office at 866-5690 to schedule your free energy analysis.

## Meet the Crew – Gabriel Morin



Gabriel Morin and his yellow lab reside in Old Town. Gabe has been a Handyman at One Stop Home Repair since June. Gabe started at One Stop Home Repair to take advantage of the opportunity to expand his future.

Gabe is known for his great work ethic. He is eager to learn everything he can. Gabe studied carpentry the United Technologies Center in Bangor during his last 2 years of high school. In the fall, he plans to enroll in the Fine Woodworking and Cabinet Making Programs at Eastern Maine Community College.

When Gabe is not at work, he enjoys the outdoors. When he has the extra time, he likes to go fishing and camping.



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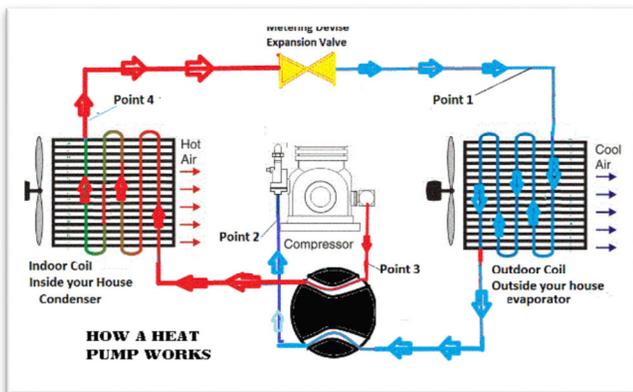


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IT'S ALREADY TIME TO PREPARE FOR AUTUMN



### Photo of the Month



*Diagram depicting how a heat pump works.*

### Did You Know?

On the Roman calendar, September was originally the seventh month. In 153 BC, January and February were added.

September is also known as “Harvest Month”.

### September Checklist

- Check your gutters for debris.
- Clean out your dryer vent.
- Inspect your roof from the ground for any imperfections.
- Repair or replace your cracked or broken storm windows.
- Make sure your heating systems are ready for the colder months.
- Clean your fireplace and chimney.
- Trim all out of control tree branches, especially if they are reaching over your roof.
- Ensure your fire extinguisher is up to date and in top condition.