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An electronic newsletter from your friends at Parker Oil Compnay

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# The Ups and Downs of Comfort Control



This past winter was... interesting. While we had our fair share of cold days and nights, we also experienced days that reached nearly 70 degrees! And as if the roller coaster of temperatures wasn't enough, we also experienced volatility with energy prices as a result of the Russian attack on Ukraine.

To say there was a lot going on would be an understatement. And dealing with the increasing energy prices wasn't easy on anyone. Even energy providers such as ourselves were feeling the pressure! As costs went up, we had little choice but to increase our prices so we could continue to deliver the comfort services our customers relied on.

But we do offer pricing options to help our customers cope with the uncertainty of energy prices! We'll touch on that in this newsletter, so keep reading to learn more.

Now let's put winter and all of that on the back burner. Spring is here, and propane is still in season! We'll provide a refresher on safety practices for propane and more just ahead.

In the meantime, make the best of the warm weather and sunshine ahead and have a great spring and summer! We look forward to hearing from you.

## Summertime Propane Safety Tips

Check out some summertime propane safety tips, and share them with your friends and neighbors who use propane.

- Know how to shut off the propane supply both at the main tank and at each propane appliance. If you're unsure how to do this, please contact us so that we may assist you!
- Familiarize yourself and anyone else in your home with the smell of propane, which is similar to that of a rotten egg odor or skunk spray, in order to better detect propane leaks. Follow the tips at right on what to do if you detect a propane leak!
- Never store propane cylinders in an enclosed area, such as a basement, garage or shed. Store them outdoors, and always in an upright position.
- Install carbon monoxide (CO) detectors on every level in your home, paying particular attention to bedrooms.
   Maintain them according to manufacturer's instructions.
- If severe weather is in the forecast, make sure you have enough propane in your tank for at least a week after the weather is supposed to let up.

Take the time to also review these steps with your family and develop a plan of action in case of a propane leak:

- Extinguish all smoking materials and any other open flames or sources of ignition.
   Everyone should vacate the area.
- Move away without using any electrical switches, appliances, thermostats or telephones
- Close the gas shutoff valve on the propane tank, if safe to do so
- Call us and/or your local fire department from a mobile phone or a neighbor's telephone after you have left the area
- Do not re-enter the area until a qualified Parker technician or first responder says it is clear
- Be sure to have a Parker technician come and inspect your equipment, to ensure another leak won't occur when the propane is turned back on

On the Money With Parker



We think it bears repeating: Energy costs got out of hand this year. While the factors that lead to rising costs are beyond our control, what you pay for your fuel doesn't have to be. Not as long as you take advantage of our Pricing Options!

Level Pay Plan

Market prices are unpredictable, but with our Level Pay Plan your bills are not.

We'll spread your fuel costs out over 10 months, and each month you pay a predictable amount. This method of alleviating that annual budget squeeze can be applied to customers using heating oil, propane, or both!

Capped Price Program
Propane customers can enjoy capping
their price! Once capped, your fuel costs
will never exceed the capped amount. And if fuel
prices fall? You enjoy the lower cost.

Be more in control of your fueling costs! <u>Call or contact us online to learn more about our Pricing Options</u>. And if you're having difficulties with energy bills, please let us know so that we may find ways to assist you.

### Generating Power with Propane Deliveries

Air conditioning systems draw a lot of power. With the increase in demand comes an increase in the likelihood of a power outage! Which is why so many homeowners have opted for whole-home power generators.

Thanks to propane's versatility, its usefulness doesn't end with winter. In fact, signing up for automatic propane deliveries can ensure you have a reliably supply — in case your connection to the electrical grid becomes less-than-reliable.

If you're a homeowner who relies on propane to fuel their home, we hope you find these tips helpful! And don't forget to keep your propane-fueled summertime plans in motion by signing up for automatic propane deliveries! Contact us online or call to enroll today.

# **We Want to Meet Your Friends!**

Nothing says friendship like sharing reliable fuel deliveries. But a little incentive doesn't hurt! Our Referral Program allows current customers to refer their friends, neighbors and family members to us. If your referral becomes a delivery customer, you're both rewarded!



#### Here's the lowdown:

- 1. You earn a **\$50 account credit** when your referral becomes a fuel delivery customer
- 2. Your referral earns a **\$50 account credit** when they become a fuel delivery customer
- 3. Your referral will earn an **additional \$50 account credit** after their second fuel delivery

**CLICK HERE AND FILL OUT THE REFERRAL REQUEST FORM!**