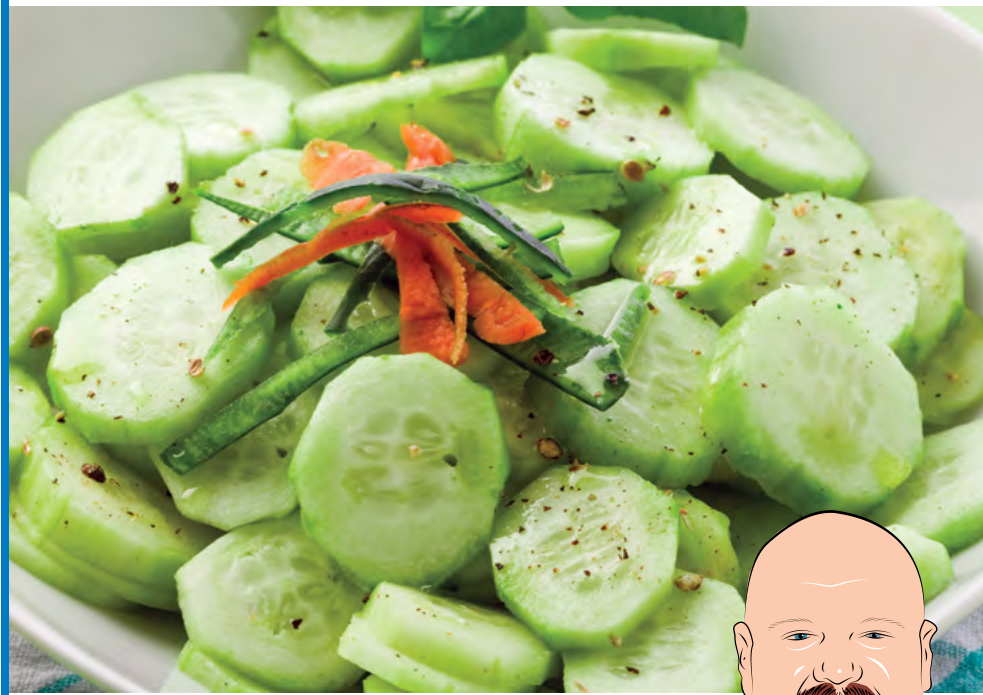


# CRAIG'S RECIPE CORNER



## Freezer Cucumber Salad

7 cups thin sliced cucumbers  
 1 cup thin sliced onions  
 1 tablespoon canning salt  
 Mix together and let set for 1 hr and drain.

In the meantime, bring to a boil:

2 cups sugar  
 1 cup vinegar  
 1 teaspoon salt  
 1 teaspoon mustard seed

Let cool. Pour over drained & rinsed cucumbers combo.

Refrigerate and EAT or place in containers to freeze. ENJOY!

*Recipe from Roger and Kathe Stanislaw, friends and customers of Comfort Pro.*

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FALL/WINTER 2018

# Comfort Pro CHRONICLES

ComfortPro Cares

A Warm Holiday Season



After this summer's rain and heat, most welcome the crisp autumn air but some may start to worry how they will keep their home warm with their nonfunctioning heating system.

Thanks to Comfort Pro, one worthy family will receive a new heating system this season. The Comfort Pro Cares program was started in 2010 and to date, has provided eight families with new heating systems representing a retail value more than \$40,000. In addition to the system, Comfort Pro provides an onsite evaluation to ensure safety, as well as any necessary labor to install the system.

"We feel that no household should be without heat during the winter months. With Comfort Pro Cares, we make sure that a family from our community in need receives the gift of heat," noted Doug Weisman, CEO of Comfort Pro, Inc.

Comfort Pro Cares accepts applications from October 14th through November 26th. "We encourage people to consider family,

friends, coworkers, neighbors, or anyone in need," added Weisman. You can nominate yourself, your family or nominate others.

Individuals or families with high medical expenses or other financial hardships are encouraged to apply. The individual or family must own their home, as well as have a non-functioning heating system. All applications are reviewed by a group of community members and three finalists are forwarded to the Comfort Pro Cares Team.

"We visit the homes of all the finalists and have the opportunity to talk with them and to hear their stories," noted Weisman. After the home visits, the team has the difficult task of selecting one winner.

The winner is selected in December and the Comfort Pro Care Team goes into action. "We design a new Lennox heating system for the home and our installation team donates their time to install the system. It truly is a team effort," added Weisman. Before the team leaves, they provide instruction to the homeowner on proper use of the system and provide a recommended maintenance plan for maximum efficiency and longevity.

The 2018 Comfort Pro Cares program is accepting nominations October 14th through November 26th, 2018. Send your letter to Comfort Pro Cares, 109 Dries Road, Reading, PA 19605 or email your letter to [marketing@comfort-pro.com](mailto:marketing@comfort-pro.com).



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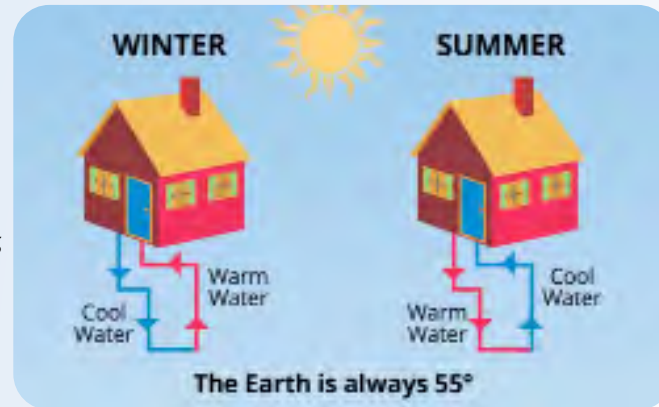
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# Benefits of Geothermal

**Think Green...** Think Geothermal! There's a greener and better way to achieve total comfort in your home. The ClimateMaster geothermal systems tap into the free, renewable supply of constant earth temperature found in your backyard to provide superior heating and air conditioning at a fraction of the cost of ordinary furnaces and air conditioners. In fact, many ClimateMaster owners experience energy savings up to 80% per year in heating, air conditioning, and hot water costs. It's a smart investment in your family's comfort. Geothermal is the safest, cleanest, most reliable space conditioning system you can buy.



## What is Geothermal?

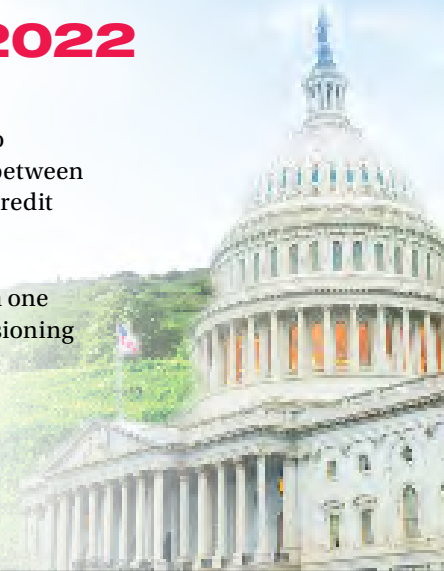
Geothermal heat pumps are a way to heat and cool your home using the natural energy from the Earth. The heat pump transfers heat to and from your home using coils underground where the Earth's temperature is always around 55°F depending on your location. Because of the natural design of the systems, geothermal units are about 400% more efficient than your standard heating and cooling system! Geothermal systems are fully capable of both heating and cooling.

## Federal Tax Credits for Geothermal Systems Extended! Until January 21, 2022

Geothermal tax credits are reinstated retroactive to January 1, 2017 to January 1, 2022. Units installed between 2017 and 2019 are eligible for a 30% tax credit. The credit drops to 26% in 2020, then drops to 22% in 2021.

Commercial tax credits are the same as before with one exception: Instead of using the date of the commissioning of the system for tax credit eligibility, the date of commencement can be used.

So as long as a commercial project is started before Jan. 1, 2022 it is eligible for the tax credit.



## Installation

Comfort Pro is an experienced geothermal heat pump installation company. Geothermal systems are more complex than most HVAC systems, so it's important to find a company that's honest, affordable, and experienced in the industry. We know geothermal heating and cooling inside and out. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to ask us.

## 5 Reasons You Should Use a Geothermal System

### Energy Savings

The energy savings from geothermal cooling systems is hands-down the No. 1 reason to consider this type of technology. A geothermal heat pump reduces energy costs by 30-70% on average. That's why homeowners can typically recoup costs of a geothermal installation through energy savings in 5-7 years.

### Cooling and Heating

A geothermal system has many uses around the home. Not only does it provide energy-efficient cooling, but a single system can also be used to provide both heating and cooling. Geothermal heat pumps can also be used for hot water heating and pool heating. As a heating and cooling system, geothermal heat pumps can cut maintenance costs, as there are fewer components that can break.

### Stable, Always Producing

Compared to other types of green energy systems, geothermal provides steady production. For example, solar-powered heating and cooling systems only collect energy during peak sunlight hours. Wind-powered systems only operate on windy days. A geothermal system functions at all times, thanks to the stable temperature underground. These systems can always transfer energy, making them ideal for home heating and cooling.

### Energy Efficient

Many homeowners and businesses have made energy efficiency and reducing their carbon footprint goals. And that's goals a geothermal heat pump can deliver. This is one of the most efficient cooling systems on the market. On average, geothermal systems are 400% more efficient, compared to traditional gas or oil furnaces which max out about 75-98% of efficiency. Overall, about 70% of the energy created by the system comes from the renewable sources.

### Long-Lasting, Little Maintenance

The major components of a geothermal heating and cooling system are buried, and they often have warranties of up to 50 years. Inside the home the heat pump unit has a lifecycle of up to 25 years, making this one of the most long-lasting systems on the market. Another benefit: Geothermal systems generally require less maintenance.



## Fall Dog-Walking Safety Tips

### 1. Bring a Light

As the days are getting darker sooner, it can be easy to forget some sort of light. However, in order to ensure safety for your pup and you, it's best to bring a flashlight, or some sort of light, to make sure you both can see at all times.

### 2. Wear Neon Colors

Because it's becoming darker, other people are less likely to see you and your pooch walking. Whether it be cyclists, drivers, etc., it's always important that others can see you and your dog walking. Make sure to wear bright colors (you can dress your dog up too) so that everyone remains safe.

### 3. Take a Buddy

Going on a walk? Grab a friend to bring along to enjoy in you and your dog's company. This way, everyone can stick together and get some fresh air. Not only does this help socialize your dog with others, but also it keeps everyone safer by having an additional member in the group.

### 4. Dog Booties

With cooler weather can come conditions such as ice, or slick ground. Help protect your pup's paws by purchasing dog booties. Not all dogs are fans of the protective gear; however, by having them wear the booties around the house for short amounts of time, as well as rewarding them with treats, you

can have your pooch wearing them in no time! These booties will ultimately help your pooch's traction when walking, as well as keeping their paws safe from hazardous materials/conditions.

### 5. Avoid Dimly Lit Areas

With critters getting ready for hibernation and the overall darkness of fall, it can be problematic for your dog in darker areas. Try to keep your walks to well-lit places. Bringing lights is helpful, but won't do much if it's pitch black.

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