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## Small time, money investments pay off in lower heating costs

Small investments in time or money can help keep home heating costs under control, according to BDP Company, maker of Bryant, Day & Night, and Payne heating and air conditioning equipment.

Take time to open draperies on south-facing windows. On sunny days you can take advantage of solar heat - for free. Close the draperies or shades when the sun is no longer warming the glass - it will help insulate the window area.

Check furnace filters once a month. Replacing dirty filters is a fast job - if you have extra filters on hand. Even if your furnace is equipped with permanent filters, keep the throw-away kind around to use in the furnace while the permanent filters are being washed and dried.

### Wash with water

In warm weather they can be cleaned with a hose in the driveway. Use the laundry tub after the hose is put away for the winter.

Take a few minutes to trim the shrubbery near a heat pump. Landscaping may conceal a unit, but it also can reduce essential air movement. Leaves and twigs from nearby plants can cause damage if they are sucked into the heat pump.

Don't let snow pile up around your heat pump. The heat pump should have been installed above the normal snow line, but snow isn't always normal.

Close the overhead doors of an attached garage, even if you might be going out again in the next half hour.

After the fireplace fire is out, close the damper.

Set up a regular annual schedule with your furnace service dealer to check your heating system. Equipment that is running at its best uses less energy whether it is gas, oil or electricity.

Ask your heating service dealer about a thermostat timer. If prospects of returning home to a cold house have prevented you from turning down the heat while gone all day, such a timer could solve the problem. It also can turn the thermostat down at night.

Cover unused electrical outlets with type of plugs used to prevent children from playing with outlets. These caps will help keep heat from escaping.

Caulk windows and doors. This should be an annual event.

### Additional measures

If you are making major changes in your home, such as remodeling a kitchen or replacing the heating and cooling system, these are additional measures you can take:

Adequate insulation and either double glazed windows or storm windows are extremely important.

If your laundry equipment or water heater is in an unheated garage, consider moving it indoors. The heat these appliances generate can help warm your home - and they will probably operate more efficiently as well.

Locate heating equipment in the occupied space of a house and run ducts in the occupied space whenever possible.

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