



BLAUSER PLUMBING & HEATING COMPANY
500 MAIN STREET / BOX 664
KNOX PA 16232
Phone 814 797 1131

One of the great main street merchants we have in Knox is the “Blauser Plumbing & Heating Company” located up at 500 main street. This business has evolved over the years with the changing times and remains as strong as it ever was, providing the area with much needed services and goods.

The history of this business begins with Orville Blauser in 1920, who started with a battery business located on South Main Street where our present day Knox Borough Building stands. Orville soon began to dabble in the fast growing plumbing & electric business and in 1952 he teamed up with Ordell Hartzell & together they moved the business to State Street. Later in the mid 1950’s, Gerald Kirkpatrick & Ken Paine joined the partnership there and at that time they changed the name of the business to “Blauser Plumbing & Electric Company”

In the late 1950’s Ken Paine was killed in a private plane crash & Orville Blauser retired to Florida, Gerald Kirkpatrick pursued other business interests leaving George Hartzell as the sole proprietor. In 1963 William Phillips (Sr.) bought the company and moved the business to it’s present day location @ 500 main street, purchasing the present building from Edenburg Motor

Company. Mr. Phillips retired in 1985, selling the company to his son William Phillips, Jr. At that time again the name was changed back to "Blausers Plumbing & Heating Company"

William Phillips Jr. owned & operated the business until January 2003, at that time the business was sold to Eric Baylor & Jack Kugler who are now the present day owners and operators of Blausers Plumbing & Heating...

Presently Blausers has two very competent service technicians, John Black & Bill McSwain who are dispatched daily from the store to "call outs" and or other scheduled installs & repairs. Jean Kugler works the store with Jack Kugler & Eric Baylor supporting the operation keeping Blausers a quality trusted vendor of goods & services that people from the area can count on. Blausers's service department delivers daily replacing critical need items, Hot Water Tanks, Water Pumps, Heating & Cooling Repairs, roto roter snake service for plugged drains. They also do installs on new gas lines, new central air conditioning, new boilers, heated side walks, you name it & Blausers is all over it.

The main street store features all the goods & hardware that is needed daily in the industry, they have new furnaces on the floor there, hot water tanks, most anything anyone would need fast, and if they don't have it, they will get it pronto. Their service department responds daily 24/7 from calls to the 814 797 1131 number and they are legendary in getting the job done right, & in a timely manner.

KNOX Pa, and all the people from the area are darn lucky to have this fine business here in town. This mayor salutes the Blausers Plumbing & Heating Company! Thank you for your excellence!