

BUGBYTES

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DEADLINE FOR ROOMS CLOSING IN!

If you were even thinking about coming to the GPCA summer conference, you need to make your room reservation really soon. Our room block at Hammock Beach Resort (Palm Coast, Florida) will be released June 16. Not all types of rooms may be left – but you will have a selection. Call 866-502-6228 without delay. We've attached a copy of the registration form to this BugBytes and a copy of the full flyer is available on our website at GPCA.org.

Unsure about coming? Consider this:

- 1 It's a beautiful facility with great pool (lazy river) golf, clean beaches
- 2 You have choices about your type room (single suite, two or three bedroom suites or villas)
- 3 You can earn CEU's and count this as a business expense
- 4 There is a lot going on in our industry – politics and elections, WDO inspection effort, environmental issues.
- 5 It's a wonderful 4 day weekend in the middle of the summer for you and your family to take a break from a busy season.
- 6 It's GPCA's 60th anniversary. We have a very special evening planned for Saturday night.

If you have any questions, call the GPCA office at 770-417-1881 for information.



FACEBOOK for the most current info on GPCA

I know many of you wouldn't give FACEBOOK the time of day – but we have discovered that it is fantastic way to keep you informed about educational opportunities at GPCA. You don't have to have a facebook page yourself – but if you want to know what's going on TODAY, go to facebook.com and in the search box, type in GEORGIA. The Georgia Pest Control Association site comes up first. You'll have access to information about all the Region meetings planned throughout the state as well as other events and pictures.

SIX HOURS TRAINING IN SAVANNAH

Well the first "Rogue" Road Show went so well, that his region members persuaded Chris Watring to do it again!!! If you are looking for a quick way to knock out 6 hours of CEU, think about attending the upcoming training program in Savannah on June 29. It's a mix between a road show and a region meeting, but it offers 6 hours of credit for as little as \$10 for GPCA members.

By the way – this is a lot of work for a volunteer. Our compliments to Chris for doing all the footwork, arranging the speakers and serving the members of his region so well. Pre-registration isn't required. If you have questions, please call Chris (843-267-6694) because he has all the details. Sounds like a great program!

At their last meeting, Region 14 re-elected Chris Watring as their director for two more years and also named Pam Morris, Orkin Commercial Services, as assistant director

June 29, Perkins Restaurant, I-95 @ Highway 204, Savannah Georgia

Program:

8:00 – 8:30	Registration
8:30 – 9:30	Steve Sullivan – IPM
9:45 – 10:45	Steve Sullivan – HPC
11:00 – Noon	Charlie Pate – IPM
1:00 – 2:00	Charlie Pate – HPC
2:15 – 3:15	Bob Hickman – PTX
3:30 – 4:30	Bob Hickmon – WDO

The member cost for the event is \$10 no matter whether you plan to attend one hour or all six. Nonmembers - \$20.

CRAM DAY COMING SOON

Don't miss the June 10 CRAM day at the GPCA office. It's a condensed version of our 6-week PCO course for those who want to review their material before taking the state PCO exam. Besides preparing you to take the PCO exam, you can earn 8 hours of CEU's in one day (3 HPC, 1 IPM, 3 WDO, 1 PTX). Call the GPCA office at 770-417-1881 to register.

Registration fee:

- \$10 for graduates of the GPCA PCO course [must have been within the past 12 months]
- \$25 per ½ day for GPCA members = \$50 for all day
- \$50 per ½ day for nonmembers = \$100

Remember – this full day includes pizza lunch with the registration price.

Just received this email from CRAM day instructor Jim Chase:

I just got back from the jungles, mountains, and coasts of Panama. It may take many loads of wash for my wife to get the dirt out of my termite collecting clothes! There were eight of us on this termite collecting survey of Panama [Dr. Rudolf Scheffrahn (Univ. of FL), Dr. John Mangold (Terminix), Dr. Jan Krecek (Univ. of FL), Dr. Timothy Myles (Canada), Tom Nishimura (BASF), Bob Setter (Canada), Jose Peroso (Venezuela), and myself]. We believe that we may have collected about 25 different Genera of termites and about 40 different species of termites. The photos that we took of Panama termites are amazing...and we saw so many more beautiful specimens of Panama's diverse fauna (white-faced monkeys, howler monkeys, coral snakes, iridescent beetles, tarantulas, five inch long scorpions, Morpho butterflies, etc.).

This is the guy who is going to teach the CRAM Day. He knows his stuff and is very very interesting. He's also considered one of the best instructors in the industry.

Congratulations – 50th anniversary!

This past weekend marked a milestone for two families celebrating 50 years of marriage. Our congratulations to Judy and Paul Hardy and to Mitzi and Bubba Tindol! And – they were part of our industry the whole time. What a remarkable achievement. We wish them both the best!

Facelift for the GPCA Training Room

For those of you who called during the past two weeks, you might have wondered what the phone message meant: "We're upstairs painting the training room." Well, Connie, Christina, Angela and I actually were on the ladders and mixing the paint. We painted the whole room, bathrooms and kitchen just before the new carpet arrived. WOW – what a wonderful look we now have. After 11 years and lots of heavy use, the training room was really tired (and a little stained). The GPCA Guardians provided a small budget for frugal women to carpet, paint and redecorate. Give us a few more weeks to finish up and then we think you'll be pleased with the results. The room is back in use today for our 1st Train the Trainer program but we've still got some finishing touches to go. *Thank you Guardians!!!*

And thanks are also in order to the Cook's Pest Control office in Lawrenceville. Harold Hagan and his crew helped empty the room of furniture on Thursday and then came this morning to help us put it all back. We couldn't have done it without you. Thanks so much.

And, thanks to Allgood Pest Solutions who fixed a window sill for us that had rotted out.

REGION ELECTION UPDATE:

REGION	Current Region Director	Status	Director for 2010-2012
2	Len Land, Coppermines PC	Elected 2008 Eligible for re-election	Len Land, re-elected Re-elected
4	Ted Veitch Cook's PC	Elected 2006 Elected 2008 Ineligible for re-election	Nancy Delany Director Arrow Exterminators
6	Lynn Dolan Tom's PC	Appointed fall 2009 to complete Unexpired term of previous dir. Eligible for re-election	Lynn Dolan, re-elected
8	Greg Vines Allgood Pest Solutions	Elected 2006 Re-elected 2008 Ineligible for re-election	Mark Hunter Director Allgood Pest Solutions Farrah Holland, Asst Director, Quinn PC
10	Danny Hopkins Athens Pest Control	Appointed 2007 to complete unexpired term of previous dir. Elected 2008 Eligible for re-election	Danny Hopkin, re-elected
12/15	Tommy Kimbrel Crisp Ext.	Appointed 2007 to complete unexpired term of previous dir. Elected 2008 Eligible for re-election but has asked for Replacement director.	Stuart Sinyard Director Adams Exterminating
14	Chris Watring Orkin PC	Elected 2008 Eligible for re-election	Re-elected Pam Morris, Asst Director Orkins Commercial Division
16	Tom Buchanan Allgood Pest Solutions	Appointed 2009 to complete unexpired term of previous dir. Eligible for re-election	Dana King Director Allgood Pest Solutions
18	Manuel Snipes Azalea Exterminating	Appointed 2005 to complete unexpired term of previous dir. Elected 2006 Elected 2008 Ineligible for re-election	Election planned June 15

Congratulations to all our directors. You make GPCA proud!!!