Bugs Bugging You? What Can You Do?

According to “Articlesbase.com”, since the development of agriculture many millennia ago, people have been searching for ways to keep various pests from destroying crops. Not only has pest removal been important for agriculture, there has also always been a desire to keep our houses free of annoying or potentially disease carrying pests. For the better part of human history, pest control has typically been plagued by trial and error. Often at least in recent history making use of dangerous or damaging chemicals whose unwanted side effects weren’t fully understood until it was far too late.

Because of the nature of pests who take up residence among other harmless animals and plants, there is a delicate balancing act involved in removing the unwanted insects without harming the beneficial or harmless insects that live in proximity. Despite the rocky nature of the pest control industry’s recent past, there have been numerous beneficial developments in the past few decades in safer and more selective pest control products.

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Whether you manage a building or live in a house, Dr. Grasswitz has interesting information for you. Plan now to reserve your place at the Wednesday, April 16th meeting of the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico’s monthly meeting starting at 7 am at Garduno’s Uptown Restaurant in Albuquerque to hear this important information. Members pay $30.00, non-members $35.00, and first time facility managers ARE ALWAYS FREE. Email carolee@fmnam.com (preferred) or call 505-975-6753 before April 14th to be included.

Calling All Golf Gangsters: See You at the Golf Organizational Meeting Tuesday April 15th at Sandia Resort's Golf Course Clubhouse

Ask anyone who has been there: the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico throws the BEST GOLF TOURNAMENT in the state. Sign up now to be part of our success for 2014!

The annual tournament will be played this year on Friday, July 25th, but the pre-planning for the scholarship fund-raising extravaganza starts NOW. Folks are already signing up to help make this tournament another success. These smart folks will receive the FMANM database and add it to their own to make their golf calls.

Don’t be left out! Email carolee@fmnam.com to attend the Golf Gang Organizational Meeting at noon on Tuesday, April 15th, at the Sandia Resort and Casino Golf Club House located on the east side of this facility. Help us raise money for future facility managers and get more involved with FMANM in the process. Can’t be there in person? Email me to be included anyway.
Fourth Annual Golf Tournament & Scholarship Fundraiser

Friday, July 25, 2014
at Isleta Eagle Championship Golf Course

Range balls: 8:00am
Tournament play: 9:00am

Our goal is to raise funds for scholarships at UNM and CNM to encourage young engineers and technicians to enter fields of study which support facility management.

Please commit TODAY to replenishing the labor pool needed to maintain our buildings!

Tournament Sponsorship

Platinum Level: $1500
Eight golfers, two teams of four
Company logo-ed advertising
Preferred recognition in all publications & website

Gold Level: $1000
Four golfers, one team
Company logo-ed advertising
Preferred recognition in all publications & website

Silver Level: $500
Two golfers
Company logo-ed advertising

Hole Sponsorship

Hole in One Sponsor: $400
Includes company name on the hole-in-one signage

Single Hole: $350
Includes company name on the hole signage

One-Half Hole: $200
Includes signage shared with one additional company

One-Third Hole: $150
Includes signage shared with two additional companies

Door Prizes
Donations make our event very special. The goal is for EVERY golfer to leave with a prize. No prize is too big or too small! Some suggestions:
- Golf-related gear
- Dinner for two
- Power tools
- Toys
- Company logo’d goodies
- Sleeves of Golf Balls

Tournament Play & Teams
Golf includes: greens fees, cart and a buffet luncheon post-play.
$125.00 per player. Form your own team (preferred) or ask us.

More Questions?
Contact
Carolee Griffin, Executive Director
carolee@fmanm.com (preferred)
or call 505-975-6753

Sign up online:
Visit www.FMANM.com
Executive Director - Carolee Griffin

Facility Managers:

Are you a facility manager who is proud of the accomplishments that you have made in your facility? Would you like to share your information with the world?

Please connect with any of the Board of Directors members of the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico so that we can spotlight YOU at an upcoming meeting. Have you made progress with LEED? Are your energy initiatives note-worthy? Do you have a unique program that streamlines processes in your maintenance planning? A supplier partner who has made a difference? Step up and step out. Get the recognition YOU deserve and mentor others on the way.

Suppliers:

Speaking of recognition, I need a few more dedicated Golf Gang members to help me make the calls to round up the possible suspects who will be players, hole sponsors, and door prize donors for the upcoming Friday, July 25th, 2014’s FMANM Golf Tournament and Scholarship Fundraiser at the beautiful Isleta Eagle Championship Golf Course.

Take it from me, your participation in this group will put you on the map in this organization and help you achieve your goals of mastering the data base upon which this organization rests. You will help us raise money to donate to our scholarships at the University of New Mexico, and at Central New Mexico Community College, to support young engineers, plumbers, HVAC technicians, and electricians, all the folks who support us as supplier members and as facility operations and maintenance professionals.

Email me today and I will give you the details.

FMANM Vision Statement: Establish and implement an organization to promote education, information, solutions and opportunities associated with the operations, maintenance, and sustainability of facilities.

Upcoming Events Calendar 2014

Wednesday, April 16th
7:15 am, Garduno’s Uptown
Pest Management: The New Frontier

Wednesday, May 21st
7:15 am, Garduno’s Uptown
Water Treatment Options for Facilities

Thursday, June 12th
7:11 pm, The Lab, “The Captain’s Corner”
Isotopes Baseball

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New Member: K&M Enterprises

Special thanks to our Corporate Members in bold
Back to School in February:
More Education = More Money

Members and guest of the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico got schooled in February on the Continuing Education Unit (CEU) by Cynthia Molnar and David Licht who are both involved with program coordination at Central New Mexico Community College. A nationally recognized system of recording and recognizing participation in noncredit professional educational programs, CNM and the Workforce Training Center take great pride in listening to their constituents and providing the targeted CEU training that is needed for students to succeed in their careers.

“Licensing bodies like the New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department or the Construction Industries Division require members to obtain CEUs to maintain their license,” David said. “Requiring CEUs encourages professionals to expand their knowledge, and stay up-to-date on new developments.”

The State of New Mexico Construction Industries Division (CID) requires continuing education for renewals of journeyman certificates of competence in every three year period. A minimum of sixteen hours of approved continuing education course work is required, including eight hours which are specific to code change/update and eight hours that may be of other industry-related approved course work.

New Mexico issues contracting licenses in approximately 100 different classifications. These classifications can be found in the New Mexico Administrative Code, Title 14, Chapter 6.

They include:
- Boiler operator
- Mechanical
- Electrician
- Plumber (JP)
- Electrical linemen
- Pipefitter (JPF)
- Fire protection (MS-12J or MS 14J)
- Refrigeration (JR)
- Gas (JG)
- Sheet metal (JSM)
- Plumber-gas (JPG)
- Sprinkler (JS)
- HVAC
- Water and Wastewater Plant Operators

To support these trades CNM and WTC offer these CEU Classes:
- Basic Motor Control Refresher Chilled Water Systems
- EL 1-J Journeyman Lineman Electrical Safety
- Grounding and Bonding LEED for Contractors
- Module 2: General PV and Installation National Electrical Code Update
- NEC Code for Photovoltaic Installers NFPA 70E
- OSHA 10 Construction (10 CEUs for electricians)
- Plumbing Code Update
- Refrigeration Applications System Design for HVAC Systems
- Water and/or Wastewater Operations (32 Training Credits)

Cynthia explained that the instructors and faculty are part-time, casual “pool” instructors who are industry experts from private industry and who know at “street level” what is necessary to be successful. She went on to explain that CNM and the Workforce Training Center can help folks prepare for exams such as the Journeyman Examination and Preparation & Review; the Boiler Operations & Components Exam Prep & Review; the Electrician Exam Prep & Review; the Gasfitter Exam Prep & Review; the HVAC Exam Prep & Review; the Mechanical Code Exam Prep & Review; and the Plumbing Code Exam Prep & Review.

“Why train your employees?” she asked in closing. “You can actually save money, improve productivity, increase moral, and improve safety.” She went on to explain that some of safety course offered include:
- OSHA 10, 20, & 30 Construction/General Industry
- CPR/First Aid
- Hazwhoper 8, 24 & 40
- Lockout/Tagout
- Globally Harmonized Systems (GHS)

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Need CEUs? cont’d
Tired of Being Bugged?
Wednesday, April 16th

Make reservations now to join the Facility Manager Association of New Mexico to hear important information on how to get pest-control savvy. You must rsvp by 5 pm on Monday, April 14th, to be included. Please rsvp to carolee@fmanm.com (preferred) or by calling 505-975-6753.

When: Wednesday, April 16th, 2014, at 7:00 a.m.
(Arrive early for coffee and connections)

Where: Garduno’s Uptown
2100 Louisiana Boulevard NE
Albuquerque, NM (505) 880-0055

Cost: $30 to Members
$35 to Non-Members

Join us for the best Biscuits and Gravy in the Southwest!