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ADAY OF REMEMBRANCE D-DAY - JUNE 6, 1944



“Soldiers, Sailors and Airmen of the Allied Expeditionary Forces: You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you. The hope and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere are with you...” General Dwight D. Eisenhower, June 6, 1944, D-Day

Think Summer! Well, it (Summer) has to come sooner or later. As I wrote this newsletter we have had 2 nights of 37° F. temperatures. It seems strange to hear the furnace in June, but this is Michigan!

Rosalind and Steve will be with all of their grandchildren in Florida for a “small” family reunion until 6/15/03; we had to go somewhere to get warm. While we are there, you can reach Steve by calling his cell phone: 1-616-437-7333.

Summer Schedule: When we return, school will be out and Summer work will begin in earnest. We need to have a list of your problem schools sent to us so we can properly schedule all of the work. All of this work and Summer inspectors will be

scheduled as soon as we receive your confirmation or renewal of our services.

Billion Dollar Bug: In 1991, a tiny bug called the silver leaf whitefly caused billions of dollars’ worth of damage to farmers in just the Southern U. S. An explosion of whiteflies erupted like a plague in fields of cotton, tomatoes, melons and other crops, literally sucking all of the sap from the plants. Whiteflies can and do resist synthetic pesticides and spread extremely fast. I would like to note that Lynn Southwell in the U. S. has taken pictures of Safe Solutions, Inc. patent pending Enzyme Cleaner with Peppermint quickly destroying all of the pest whitefly larvae and allowing the beneficial ladybugs to survive.

Rosalind has finally stopped me from constantly rewriting The Best Control II and she will be sending this new, copyrighted IPM manual to Digital Video for them to format this book with literally thousands of safe and far more effective alternatives into a user-friendly CD-ROM. This should be ready for the start of school and we need to set up a new in-service meeting with your staff in order to discuss how to use it.

My Patent Attorneys have told me my patent application on the use of enzyme/surfactants to control pest problems is finally about to be approved. In addition, our new patent pending enzyme/surfactant formula has a certificate of analysis and uses only 1% or less of protease enzymes. I believe that enzyme products that have over 1% protease can cause skin and eye irritations and even anaphylactic shock and occupational asthma.

Steve will be showing Lice R Gone at the National School Nurse Convention in Cincinnati, OH from 6/27 - 29/03. Safe Solutions, Inc. may be the only enzyme shampoo company that presents its enzyme lice treatment at that Convention. Currently Safe Solutions, Inc. is the **only** FDA approved and patent pending enzyme product.

Cockroaches: A cockroach’s flat body is coated with a layer of oil. This helps it squeeze through cracks as thin as a sheet of paper. The best way to get rid of cockroaches is to leave a window open and a fan on 24/7. Cockroaches dislike cool, fresh air.

Fleas: Dan Dickerson, head of the New York City School System’s IPM program has an interesting way to monitor-trap fleas in a classroom. After school is dismissed, Dan takes a rodent glueboard and places it in the suspected area of infestation and then places a 50-cent-sized piece of moist (not wet) sponge on top and in the middle of the glueboard. Dan then places an Alka-Seltzer tablet on top of the moist sponge and a small piece of plastic wrap is used to lightly cover the Alka-Seltzer. The carbon dioxide attracts fleas, bedbugs and other blood feeders to the site which are then trapped in the glue. Many insects that feed on fresh blood can “smell” the carbon dioxide gases that their prey breathe out, so they can track down their victims.

Itch mite or scabies:

*Itch mites dig burrows into the human skin where they lay their eggs.

*Only female mites do the burrowing. Male mites stay on the skin’s surface.

*As she digs, the female itch mite bites into human skin cells and sucks out the fluid inside.

*The female mite lays about 3 eggs a day. In 8 weeks she lays more than 150 eggs under your skin.

*When the young mites hatch, they climb to the skin’s surface.

*Juices from the itch mite leave human skin covered with welts and blisters, making it extremely sore and itchy. This condition is called scabies.

*Itch mites, like all mites, are not true insects. Arachnids/mites have 8 legs - insects only have 6.

Note: Several physician groups are recommending Safe Solutions, Inc. patent pending, new enzyme/surfactant product be used to safely and effectively control this terrible pest problem. In fact, there is now a web site that discusses this problem and the safe solution.

<http://www.safe2use.com/scabiesboard.html>

We look forward to working with you all next school year and continuing to work together again developing products, innovations and/or techniques to safely and effectively solve all of your pest problems.

**All the best,
Steve Tvedten**

HAPPY POP’S DAY!



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