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Why Spring Cleaning?

Between reading some books that are in my bug-book collection dating back 70 years and copied pages from a book provided by one of my A-All customers which I was able to date around 1900 it becomes clear that spring cleaning is related to reducing bug destruction around the home.

Wikipedia even says that, "During the 19th century in America, prior to the advent of the vacuum cleaner, March was often the best time for dusting because it was getting warm enough to open windows and doors (but not warm enough for insects to be a problem), and the high winds could carry the dust out of the house. We have to face the fact that we like to horde things because we see a value in those items. If we did not see the value we would just throw the stuff away. If you believe it has value than maintaining those valuables is part of spring cleaning.

If you go through a closet and notice little small webs and cocoon looking skins at the top of the corners of the closet than there is a good possibility of a carpet beetle infestation in your home. A good flashlight, vacuum and time will help you evaluate the source of the problem. Leather items, furs, relatives clothes brought into the home and old rat baits could be the source of the problem. I encourage spring cleaning because I have seen expensive new clothes damaged within days when brought into a closet with a carpet beetle infestation.

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Of course, if you do discover a problem the staff at A-All Pest would be happy to treat and further consult with you on preventative treatments.



Time for spring cleaning!

We VALUE our customers!

Insect of the Quarter:

Carpet Beetles

- Can damage furs, leather, feathers
- Evidence of insect stages found in corners of closets
- Pulling items out and cleaning closets and evaluating items in boxes is a good practice.



Carpet Beetle

Mild Winter may increase insect population

Last year we had many days of ice and even snow. This winter has been exceptionally mild and this may cause an increase in the number of insects you see this year.

You might even say to yourself, "I have never seen that bug before." If that is the case then it is very important to try to collect a sample for us to identify so that we can determine if it is an important pest to control or one that may quickly run its course and not be seen until next year.

Be careful if you think

it might be a stinging insect and try to catch it live in a jar. A smushed bug is really hard to identify.



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A-All in the Family



Ann Fincannon Office Manager

Ann Fincannon (David's wife) is the office manager for A-All Pest and over the years when she answers the phone some clients still wonder who is this new person. Believe it or not she has actually worked here almost 12 years. Ann and David met their freshmen year at Purdue and after Ann ended her career with ARCO in Plano she started helping David as the family company started to grow. She has been an essential part of the company over the years deciphering all the complicated benefit programs so that we offer our employees; some of the best incentives in our industry.

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