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Gotham

My freshman year at Purdue began in the summer of 1979. Like most kids, getting away from my parents was a top priority, so why not start college three months early? I was lucky enough to get to work for a graduate student that summer. He was doing research on controlling bats in homes, farms, businesses and so forth. Of course, I was 18 years old and had been used to driving around Dallas working with my dad's pest control company before college and through my teens, but since freshmen were not allowed cars on campus I thought I would be stuck without that freedom. However, one of my responsibilities with my summer job was to drive around and count bat colonies. Purdue is a big deal in Indiana, so I had Purdue decals on my four door Lee Iacocca crappy sedan from the Purdue fleet, but it was wheels! (Congress bailed out Chrysler and a lot of government entities and institutions felt obliged to purchase their products). No Garmins back then, and trying to find a farmhouse with seven foot corn on both sides of the road to limit your view in farm country was not the easiest job.

Bobby Corrigan, the grad student I worked for, was considered Batman and I was considered Robin by the Entomology Department. We have been friends ever since. He always wanted me to visit his hometown of New York City, which Ann and I finally did in 2008. I returned to attend his two day rodent control class held in the city a few years later. This was the Mayor Bloomberg time in the city, and I trusted Bobby telling me I would be safe in the city so I went out to different locations in the city by myself in alleys at night filming Norway rats. You can see some of this footage on my Youtube channel BravoFincannon.



David with Bobby at his Purdue graduation

Bobby is proud of his city. He started out working in pest control in NYC. And it was pest control operators who helped him become one of the leading rodent control specialists in the world. At some point in time he gave me the book "Gotham" by Edwin G Burrows and Mike Wallace (not the 60 minutes guy). It's been on my book shelf for too long and I finally decided to tackle this 1236 page tome this year. I finished it! The history is from 1664 to 1900. If you read this book, you will realize that our problems today are pretty minor compared to our forefathers in NYC. Anyone who imagines that our attitudes about government have somehow been static need only read this to understand that the flow of power, ideas and change were no different in the 1800s than they are today. Karl Marx wrote his books in the mid-late 1800s, so socialism was about. There were drugs, alcoholism and prostitution. There were rich and poor. There were horrible riots. And at the end of the book (spoiler?), the people had to finally come to an agreement to combine New York into one municipal government. Brooklyn voted for the merger, but a faction of loyalist "Brooklynites" prevented the merger in the state legislature, until finally the "Brooklynites professed general satisfaction (or exhaustion)" by agreeing to the enlarged 900 page bill, and the merger was completed.



Pest of the Quarter: Mosquitoes

If you would like an environmentally friendly way to reduce this blood sucking pest from your yard we are bidding and scheduling homes now for the 2022 season. Please e-mail or call for an appointment with David to assess your property.

We need to learn from the past. The minority (Brooklynites) were eventually made happy. Did that solve the problems of the city? Previously, the Brooklynites would never have been able to collect enough taxes to accomplish the many needs of their city, but with the merger, the tax base could increase possibilities across the board of the combined city government. But it would not stop the ever present corruption. And I am sure I have heard stories from Bobby about the corruption today in NYC. He tells me rat control is a lucrative business. But the health department also gets more than their fair share of money fining businesses. New York City had to defend itself during numerous wars, the British even took over the city once. So hopefully we get through the tough times of today. If you read "Gotham" you will realize we have done it before. —David

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A-ALL Will be CLOSED May 19th-25th

Yes, it's time for us to have another break near mid-year to gear ourselves up for the long hot summer to come. If you should need any mosquito yardsprays before the Memorial Day holiday, please schedule them sooner than later, or appointments may not be available. Thank-you for your support and understanding!



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