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It's Summertime!

busiest for pest control companies because it's the time when the most insects are their busiest! Ants, roaches, flying insects like wasps and bees are all very busy in the summer months.

The summer months are the

Carpenter bees are particularly busy during the late spring and into summer. You will see these large bees hovering around eaves, porch railings, window sills, or wooden decks. You will often see them entering or exiting almost perfectly round holes in wooden structures.

Most people think carpenter bees eat the wood. The truth is, they just bore a hole and then adjust their course to follow the grain of the wood. They bore a channel up to 4 feet long in some

cases. They then start creating chambers depositing an egg with a store of pollen, then closing off that chamber and beginning the whole process over again until



EASTERN CARPENTER
BEE: APPROXIMATELY
ONE INCH LONG, SHINY
METTALIC WINGS, WITH
SHINY BODIES

the entire channel is full of eggs just waiting to be hatched.

Carpenter bees commonly return year after year to your home like that annoying long-lost cousin every summer. To stop the cycle, you should plug the holes with corks and putty and paint over the holes. Carpenter bees prefer unpainted, unfinished wood so painting the surface will be a deterrent.

There are also carpenter bee traps available. These traps have a hole that looks much like the holes they bore. They go in the hole and down into the glass jar and get trapped inside. They eventually die in there as they don't know to go back UP and OUT of the hole.

Our biggest complaint...roaches!

The first step is to block entry points. Keep doors and windows closed as much as possible. Patch up any holes around doors, windows, and plumbing accesses.

Secondly, reduce or eliminate sources of food, water, and shelter. Roaches like warm, moist

areas with a food source.

Thirdly, improve sanitation.

Discard trash, food, and clean counters and equipment well.

Keep food in air-tight containers.

Clean up immediately after cooking.

If you see small egg casings, feces

which look like fine coffee grounds, or actual roaches, call Anchor as soon as possible to get a treatment plan in place.

Roaches reproduce VERY quickly and it will go from seeing a few to an infestation quickly!

CALL US QUICK!

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Pesky summertime pests?

Mosquitoes are a real problem for many people in the South. You don't really see them until they bite you or you start itching.

The best way to guard against these disease-carrying nuisances is prevention.

Anchor Pest Control has a comprehensive mosquito program that is available without a contract. We treat monthly only during the months you need it the most. We recommend treating April through

September, the most active months for mosquitoes.

You will need to reduce the amount of standing water around your home. Bird baths, fish ponds, and water features are great breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

Reducing the amount of foliage you have around your home can also help to keep the area dry and reduce areas they can harbor and nest.

Mosquitoes aren't just annoying. They can carry any num-

ber of diseases and can transmit them within seconds of coming in contact with your skin.

Anchor's mosquito program is very affordable and just might bring some peace to your summer gatherings and outdoor activities!

Your most valuable investment!

Termites cause more than \$30 billion in damages every year! Don't be a victim!

The biggest investment most people will make in their lifetime is their home. You have warranties for your automobiles, your home, and your appliances. Why wouldn't you have a warranty against termites?

Anchor Pest Control takes termite protection very seriously. We provide free estimates to see what type of warranty your home qualifies for and what the best treatment plan is for active infestations.

Anchor is the first pest control company in the Florida panhandle to use the Sentricon Termite Colony Elimination System. This works by placing bait canisters in the ground around your home. The termites then feed on the bait,

carrying it back to their colonies and feeding it to the other termites. Once it reaches the queen, the colony is eliminated. We have had very high success rates using Sentricon.

If you'd like to learn more about Sentricon, you can call our office and speak to one of our trained professionals or they can set up a free estimate with our termite manager.

Doug McCaskill



Employee Spotlight

Doug has been a valued employee of Anchor Pest Control since 1981. He was hired by Mr. Davis' father and has stayed with Anchor every since.

He has experience in every aspect of this

business including termite treatments, inspections, pest & rodent control, as well as every other pest you can think of.

In his spare time he likes to hunt and fish. He often brings snacks into the office from his hunting expeditions. I guess you could say that makes him one of our favorites.

If you happen to see Doug out in the field, he's always happy to chat for a few minutes but he's also very good at what he does.

We are proud and lucky to have him as our second longest employee behind Mr. Davis!