

Hello Arizona IPM Coalition members and interested others,

Below is a monthly update on IPM in Arizona. Please contact us if you do not wish to receive the monthly update, or would like to sign up.

Arizona IPM in Schools program:

- ❑ Some districts are overdue for follow-up or end-of-year pest audit inspections... these will be addressed after the 1st of the year.
- ❑ The weather is cool, no bug explosions to share; however, rodents may already be seen coming inside in force! This is a good time to pest proof buildings. Check out the Pest Press Dec. '04 issue on rodents at <http://www.ipm.mccsc.edu/>.
- ❑ There will not be a November Pest Press. We thought you could all use a break from the last issue with the IPM-inator. A December issue will be sent out on the 5th.

Noteworthy news:

- ❑ Pesticide use in schools - addressed with a new bill by the U.S. Congress (see attached .pdf form)
- ❑ In case there is ANYONE left who hasn't heard.... The Arizona IPM in Schools Coalition received a Merit Award at the Valley Forward's 25th Annual Environmental Excellence Awards Program (<http://www.valleyforward.org/news-updates/news-release-eeawinner-05.php>). This is a special boon to all of Arizona's school districts dedicated to "doing the right thing"!! Valley Forward hosts the Phoenix valley's oldest and largest environmental competition.

School IPM Resources:

- ❑ All Pest Press newsletters (archived as well as current issues) can be downloaded from <http://www.ipm.mccsc.edu/>.
- ❑ Facilities Maintenance On-line - a new and growing website (<http://www.fmol.org/>) sponsored by the International Urban IPM Association. Updated weekly and offers news information, practical application tips, discussion forums and more... user registration is free and only takes a moment. You may find that by registering you become a valuable IPM or facilities resource for others. Check it out!



DEC. 7-8TH IPM WORKSHOP!

This is a FUN and INFORMATIVE one and a half day technical workshop offered by UA and National IPM Implementers.

- ✓ Dec. 7th (8 am–5 pm) & Dec. 8th (8 am–noon time)
- ✓ Guest speakers
- ✓ Practical guidance on managing the “10 toughest critters”
- ✓ Trip to a local valley school to demonstrate and practice IPM
- ✓ CEUs (8) offered for attending both days
- ✓ Morning coffee & snacks
- ✓ **Limited space, RSVP no later than December 1st**

Thanks all. We'll have an agenda out soon with detailed workshop information.

~Dawn & Jennifer

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