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# GREEN SHIELD PEST CONTROL CORNER

## Pest Control Corner - February 2019

Welcome to the Pest Control Corner e-newsletter for Green Shield Certified Members!

Every month, we send you news on pest control research and technology, industry updates and green pest management tips. Have any news of your own you'd like to share with other Green Shield members? Feel free to send your information or updates to [info@greenshieldcertified.org](mailto:info@greenshieldcertified.org).

# NATIONAL PESTICIDE SAFETY EDUCATION MONTH

## February is National Pesticide Safety Education Month

February marks the second annual National Pesticide Safety Education Month to reinforce core principles of safe handling and use of pesticides, and to raise awareness of the land-grant university Pesticide Safety Education Programs (PSEPs). Pesticide safety is an absolute requirement when using the chemical component of IPM.

Read more about Pesticide Safety Education Month [here](#).

Find educational resources on pesticide safety from Pesticide Environmental Stewardship [here](#).



## Rodents on the Rise

The rodent market is steadily growing, driven by mild winters, suburban sprawl, underfunded rat eradication programs and a year-round need for rodent control services.

Learn more about what's driving market expansion and key trends in rodent control in the [2018 State of the Rodent Market](#), sponsored by Bell Laboratories.

We're learning new information about rodent behavior every day. With all this new technology, some pest management professionals are rethinking how they perform rodent control. Read more in PCT's latest [Tech Talk](#).

## Bye-Bye Bed Bugs

Has bed bug growth peaked? Is it time to adjust your bed bug business to meet the demands of an ever-evolving marketplace?

Learn more about growth trends and the future of bed bug control in the [2018 State of the Bed Bug Market](#), sponsored by Zoecon Professional Products.

How can you be so sure you've eliminated the last bed bug in an account? PCT Magazine helps you determine when a site can be declared "[bed bug free](#)".

For the third year in a row, Baltimore is named the top bed bug city in the U.S. by [Orkin's Top 50 Bed Bug Cities list](#). Is your city in the Top 50?



## Pest Control Corner Calendar

February 1, 2019 [All Bugs Good and Bad Open Forum on IPM \(You Have Questions, We Have Answers!\)](#)

February 7, 2019 [Rodents II - Prevention and Control Webinar](#)

February 11-14, 2019 [Weed Science Society of America](#), New Orleans, LA

February 24-26, 2019 [NPMA Legislative Day](#), Washington, D.C.

February 25-March 1, 2019 [Turfgrass Management and Ecology Short Course](#), College Station, TX

March 1, 2019 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Emerald Ash Borer](#)

April 5, 2019 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: SSSSnakes, Identification and Environmental Importance](#)

May 3, 2019 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Ins and Outs of Termite Treatments](#)

June 7, 2019 [All Bugs Good and Bad Webinar Series: Batty for Bats!](#)



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