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Member Spotlight – Erdye's Pest Control



As a family-owned residential and commercial pest control service, Erdye's Pest Control promises to "get rid of everything but small children."

Understanding there's no "one-size fits all" in pest control, Josh Erdman, founder and president of Erdye's Pest Control LLC, created the company as part of his larger full-service property management firm, Erdye's Enterprises. Erdman believes everyone's situation is unique and that a person shouldn't have to pay to find out what is going on inside their home, which is why he offers free inspections.

Erdye's specializes in eliminating bed bugs, wasps, hornets, Asian lady beetles, box elder bugs, mice and wildlife from both homes and businesses. The services are currently available in the Greater Green Bay area, as well as beginning to grow towards the Milwaukee area, upper Michigan and parts of Illinois. While the company primarily works with residential clients, it offers customized pest control solutions to all types of businesses, from small single building locations to large multifacility operations.

Erdman's team uses the best, state-of-the-art equipment to ensure the job is done right the first time—this includes having a specially trained canine on staff. Curly, an Airedale mix-breed terrier, has gone through extensive bed bug training through Azex K9 Solutions, allowing her to detect live bed bugs in a variety of different environments, such as homes, dormitories and hotels. Trained canines are able to detect bed bugs with around a 90%accuracy, allowing for a more thorough search compared to a technician alone.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused many businesses to face challenges, however, Erdye's has managed to still see growth over the past year.

"It's a double-edged sword," explains Erdman. "With everyone at home, they notice things more regularly and schedule an inspection. [However], there's a shortage of masks, gloves—things we need have gone up in price and there's trouble sourcing the supplies."

With the growth that Erdye's seen since it became its own entity in 2012, Erdman plans to expand the service areas—specifically in the Milwaukee and

Madison areas. While there is already a presence in other states, available services are limited; this expansion will allow the company to offer more services to a larger population. To stay a part of the Greater Green Bay community, Erdye's participates as a Chamber member and regularly donates to Paul's Pantry, Wounded Warriors and several area shelters and nonprofits.

One of the various highlights of the job is being able to meet many interesting people. "Every day is always different, and it's never boring," Erdman says. "You never know what the day will bring."

As one of the crazier instances, Erdman describes a time when he was called out to secure an emu that entered a man's garage—although, that is not a typical rodent or animal that he encounters in his work. Erdman was able to safely return the run-away emu to its owner. Overall, he describes the business as a way to help people and make a living while doing it.

To learn more, or to schedule a free inspection, home and business owners can visit www.erdyes.com.

CHAMBER EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, March 16, 8:30 - 10 a.m.

Trends and Forecasts – Talent

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Wednesday, March 17, 7:30 - 10 a.m.

CYP Virtual Workshop: How to love the job you're in

Sometimes a job can leave you feeling fulfilled, but sometimes a job can feel just plain lousy. Understanding character development is key to optimizing each stage of your career. Join this virtual CYP workshop to learn the stages, which stage you're currently in and how you can maximize your job.

FREE for CYP members, \$60 for guests.

Wednesday, March 17, 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.

Virtual Coffee Break with Wipfli – How to leverage financials for future advantage

Join our virtual session on the timely projection of tomorrow's business outcomes with rapid collection of the past and present. We'll discuss what it means to embrace your financials and better understand the opportunities available.

FREE to all.

Thursday, March 18, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Business After Hours: Blitzr (speed networking)

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Thursday, March 25, 6 – 8 p.m.

CYP: 2021 Future 15 & Young Professional Awards (Virtual)

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Thursday, April 1, 6 - 8 p.m.

CYP After 5: Mixology: Mix & Mingle

Join CYP for a virtual night of mixing new cocktails and meeting new young professionals. 21 and older to drink.

FREE for CYP members, \$5 for guests.

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