

## A NEWSLETTER OF THE RIDC BUSINESS ALLIANCE

### *We thank you, Dean!*

**Dean Genge**, Board Member and chair of the Communications Committee, recently announced his resignation from the RIDC Alliance Board, effective March 31st, 2018. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Dean for his many years of service and activism on the RIDC Board. Dean was an original member the Alliance, and over the years has been an integral and highly dedicated part of the organization. His professionalism, commitment, and enthusiasm will be greatly missed. We wish Dean well and may he have all good luck in future pursuits!



**PM CentersUSA** is hosting a complimentary presentation entitled

#### **An Executive Overview: Agile/Scrum**

Friday, April 29th from 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM  
634 Alpha Drive  
Please RSVP to: (888) 762-6383

### **Pestco Touts Revolutionary Bedbug Treatment**

RIDC's own Pestco carries breakthrough bed bug treatment that is revolutionizing the industry.

Known as Aprehend, the treatment method functions by bringing a natural soil-bound fungus, *Beauveria bassiana*, into a formula safe for use in areas inhabited by humans and pets. The treatment works in this fashion: a two-inch wide band is sprayed around areas frequented by bed bugs -- the baseboard, headboard, and mattress of a bed. The spray, according to researchers, contains "at least 24 million spores per square inch," which creates a barrier. Once the bed bug comes in contact with the spores, they are coated. Attempting to shake off the spores only serves to further coat the bug.

Since bed bugs are communal in nature, the infected bug will then carry the spores to his den, where it will proliferate among the horde.

Developed by Conidiotec, a company formed by Nina Jenkins, Ph.D., Giovanni Bellicanta, Ph.D., and Don McCandless, Aprehend is only available commercially and must be administered by a trained professional. Currently, Pestco is the only area company with this training. It is not available for use in domestic environments at the present time.

Jenkins and Bellicanta are entomologists at Penn State University.

According to Jenkins, the treatment may be effective even after months: "Bed bugs coming into contact with the fungal barrier we'd put down, even three months later, die of the fungal disease."

**Above information courtesy of KDKA News and may be found here:**

<http://pittsburgh.cbslocal.com/2017/11/20/new-bed-bug-prevention-method/>

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!**

**It's  
Another**



**Thursday, June 7th, 2018**  
**11:00 am to 1:30 pm**





## CORE Marks National Donate Life Month in April

National Donate Life Month (NDLM) was instituted by Donate Life America in 2003. Celebrated in April each year, NDLM features an entire month of local, regional and national activities to help encourage Americans to register as organ, eye and tissue donors and to celebrate those that have saved lives through the gift of donation.

To mark the national observance, the Center for Organ Recovery & Education (CORE) holds flag raisings at hospitals throughout our service region as well as awareness events like baseball games and community seminars.

“Donate Life Month provides an opportunity to remind ourselves of what heroes look like,” said Susan Stuart, president and CEO, CORE. “They are the sons and daughters, fathers and mothers, who — through organ, tissue and cornea donation — gave life and offered healing to others. They are the 115,000 people who are waiting for a life-saving transplant; yearning for more time with their loved ones. We also recognize the healthcare professionals, our hospital heroes, who — through their hard work, ingenuity and compassion — provide the precious gift of life to so many in our area.”

Nationally, 115,000 people are waiting for a life-saving organ transplant, including 2,500 in western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. At least 20 of those people will die each day without receiving the transplant they so desperately need. Someone is added to the transplant waiting list every 10 minutes.

The Center for Organ Recovery & Education (CORE) is one of 58 federally designated not-for-profit organ procurement organizations (OPOs) in the United States. Although CORE is headquartered in Pittsburgh’s RIDC Park, CORE serves a much larger region that includes 150 hospital partners and more than five million people in western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Chemung County, NY.

Like all OPOs, CORE coordinates the recovery and matching of organs, tissues and corneas for transplant within our service region. CORE’s goal is to end the deaths of those on the transplant waiting list, all the while maintaining integrity for the donation process, dignity for the donors, and compassion for their families.

Through public education initiatives, awareness events, and media campaigns, during NDLM in April and throughout the year, CORE works tirelessly to create a culture of donation within the communities we serve. Our hope is that by fostering a greater understanding of donation and transplant, we offer hope to those waiting, while also honoring the truest heroes of donation—the donors and their families.

To register as an organ, tissue and cornea donor, please visit [core.org/register](http://core.org/register).



*Five-year-old heart transplant recipient Jameson McKain was born with only half a heart, but thanks to the generosity of a donor family who gave him a second chance at life, he’s an active and healthy first grader. National Donate Life Month, celebrated annually in April, is the perfect time to join Jameson and CORE to honor the true heroes of organ donation—the organ donors and their families, by registering as a donor yourself. Sign up today at [core.org/register](http://core.org/register).*

## RIDC Businesses and Employees Electronics Recycling Event

May 17<sup>th</sup> – 10:00am to 1:00pm

90 Beta Drive at Ascent Data

### Schedule Ahead!!!

Contact us ahead of time for large pickups and we will either collect the material the day of the event at your business with no pickup fee or for a small fee we can pickup your end of life IT assets at your convenience.



### Better Together

A special thanks to the RIDC Business Alliance for making these events possible. Together we can create a sustainable environment for the Greater Pittsburgh Area.



### What, when, and where?

Please drop off your electronics at 90 Beta Drive, RIDC Park at Ascent Data. We accept all electronics with the exception of AC Units, large appliances, light bulbs, smoke detectors, and small household batteries. All TV's and CRT monitors will incur a charge of \$0.70/lb.



### Other Services

At the event we will be offering on site physical destruction for \$5.00 per drive. Otherwise our general data destruction at our facility is guaranteed and free of charge. We offer other services such as IT asset brokering, IT procurement services, and physical data center / office migration for your IT assets. Please inquire at [info@evolutionrecycling.com](mailto:info@evolutionrecycling.com)



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## Do you always try to win the geography category in trivia games?

- How many municipalities border O'Hara Township?
- What are the names of the municipalities that border O'Hara Township?
- What is the name of the island in the Allegheny River owned by the Township?
- How far is O'Hara located from Pittsburgh's Golden Triangle?
- What is the steepest road in the Township?
- What is the name of the stream classified as a high quality stream by the EPA?
- What is the highest elevation in the Township?

**Please visit our website for answers!**

*Courtesy of the O'Hara Township Newsletter.*

## Upcoming Events

**Friday, April 20th / 7:30 - 8:30 AM**

**634 Alpha Drive**

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**Thursday, May 17th / 10 AM - 1 PM**

**90 Beta Drive**

e-Recycle event hosted by Ascent Data

**Thursday, June 7th, 2018 / 11 AM - 1:30 PM**

**107 Gamma Drive**

Food Truck Frenzy!

We are looking for content! If you would like to see your company's news, events, or article featured in the RIDC Business Alliance Newsletter, please contact Alyssa Pistininzi at [apistinanzi@shbelco.com](mailto:apistinanzi@shbelco.com).

## Road Improvement Program

Bids will be received this spring for the milling and resurfacing portion of the Township's 2018 annual road improvement program. The Township will again be bidding with neighboring communities which has helped to reduce costs in past years.

**Alternate** (if pricing allows): Alpha Drive (portion only)

- Cabin Lane
- Epsilon Drive
- Salem Drive
- Sigma Drive

During construction season, residents should keep in mind the following: Obey posted speed limits and keep alert for temporary barricades and equipment. Do not remove signs, barricades, cover or cones that may be in use in construction areas. When driving past workers or equipment, follow the directions of traffic control personnel.

*Courtesy of the O'Hara Township Newsletter.*

The RIDC Business Alliance is comprised of business leaders and representatives from O'Hara Township's RIDC Park. Through one unified voice, the Alliance promotes business development by building relationships, networking, and striving for a clean, aesthetically pleasing, and healthy work environment within the suburban Pittsburgh park. The RIDC Business Alliance is a non-profit, non-political, non-sectarian organization. Please visit our site at [www.ridcalliance.com](http://www.ridcalliance.com).