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McCall Service Hosts 1st Annual Commercial Pest Management Summit

More than 110 attendees gathered on September 24th, 2021, in Tampa, FL for McCall Service's 1st Annual Commercial Pest Management Summit. Originally scheduled for February 2020, the event was postponed several times due to the COVID-19 pandemic. McCall was determined to keep the event on the calendar and provide a great resource for CEUs, networking and an incredible line up of speakers. The event drew 37 vendors to showcase their products and services to the industry. The event was also able to provide a platform for The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Pest Management University, Quality Pro, and the National Wildlife Control Operators Association to demonstrate their resources for the Pest Control Industry. The event drew PCOs from Florida and Georgia as well as other food safety professionals.

This year's first summit was created to showcase "The Facility Assessment." Many of the speakers directed their presentations to building a true Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program for clients by using a detailed inspection or facility assessment to help build an award-winning program. The event was kicked off and headlined by Dr. Bobby Corrigan of RMC Pest Management Consulting. Other summit speakers included: Judi Lazaro of AIB International, Allie Allen, BCE of Quality Pro, Dr. Phil Koehler professor emeritus at The University of Florida, Dr. Rebecca Baldwin of The University of Florida, Matt Remmen, M.S. of Bayer, Cory Goeltzenleuchter, PHE of McCall Service, Dr. Nina Jenkins from Penn State, Mark Ruff, P.A. of MHR Law, Rolando Calzadilla of Pest Wildlife Pro, LLC. and Dustin Laursen of McCall Service.

The event was also able to use a raffle prize drawing to raise over \$1,200 that will be donated to the Florida Pest Management Association Foundation. This was done with over 25 prizes donated by McCall and various vendors.

McCall is an employee & client grown, Quality Pro Certified, residential, and commercial services company. We have been family operated since 1928 when we started as an ice and coal delivery company, and through many successes and failures evolved into the company we are today. Our values are simple: treat our employees and our clients how we want to be treated: as family. We strive to improve the world where we live, work, and play by protecting people, the public health, food, and property from the diseases and dangers of pests. We deliver pest management solutions to commercial and residential customers throughout the southeastern US. We are experiencing year-upon-year of continued growth and innovation by solving our customers' day-to-day pest and lawn related issues, as well as protecting their valued brands in their respective market areas.

