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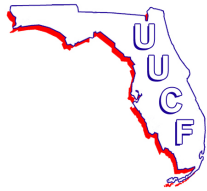
Palmer Course



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Underground Utility Contractors of Florida
is proud to welcome back the
Annual President's Cup Golf Tournament
on September 27–29, 2013
PGA National Resort & Spa
Palm Beach Gardens, Florida



Mark your calendar now!

After taking a year off, UUCF is pleased to announce that it will be holding its President's Cup Golf Tournament at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida on September 27–29, 2013.

This year, UUCF will be offering individuals a choice in the location of their sleeping accommodations in either the Resort or Cottage Quads. The Resort rooms will feature two double beds. The Cottage Quads feature two bedrooms (each with two double beds), two complete baths, a large living room, flat-screen television, a fully-equipped kitchen, washer and dryer and an outdoor terrace. The registration fees are as follows:

Room Type	Registration Fee
Resort Room <i>(based on per person and double occupancy)</i>	\$598.40
Cottage Quads <i>(based on per person and quad occupancy)</i>	\$560.40

As with past years, there will be different sponsorship opportunities in which your company can participate. Sponsorship categories cost from as little as \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

UUCF will be hosting a Hospitality Suite which will be located in the Resort rooms area (number 9). The cottage quads are located by the Squire Golf Course (number 21).



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UUCF Schedules President's Cup Golf Tournament

Come and enjoy three wonderful days and two nights at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida on September 27–29. You will enjoy three fun-filled days of golfing on three different 18 hole courses. Participants will have the opportunity to play on the Squire Course on Friday, Champion Course on Saturday and Palmer Course on Sunday. A different tournament will be held on each course. The format will be a two-man scramble, two-man best ball and two-man alternate shot. All tournaments will be handicapped so everyone will have an equal opportunity to win.

Mike Woodall with John Woody, Inc. is chairing this year's tournament. A portion of the proceeds from this year's tournament will benefit the UUCF Legal Defense Fund.

This year, UUCF will be offering individuals a choice in the location of their sleeping accommodations in either the Resort or Cottage Quads. The Resort rooms feature two double beds. The Cottage Quads feature two rooms each with double beds on each side of a living room, dining room and kitchen. **Register as soon as possible.** The cost is as follows:

Resort Room – \$598.40
(per person based on double occupancy)
Cottage Quads – \$560.40
(per person based on quad occupancy)

Also, two man teams that register now for the golf tournament can delay payment until after June 29, 2013.

The entry fee includes three rounds of golf for the tournament, two nights' accommodation, breakfast

on Saturday and Sunday, two \$30.00 vouchers good for dinner on Saturday and Sunday night, one free mulligan for each day (option to purchase additional mulligans will be available), skins game on Friday and Saturday and beverages on the course during tournament play. A Hospitality Suite will be available for your enjoyment.

The three courses are as follows:

Squire Course – Named after the immortal Gene Sarazen, the first golfer ever to win the professional Grand Slam, "the thinking man's course" is the ultimate test of accuracy and precision. Designed by Tom and George Fazio, the Squire is the shortest and most exacting of the courses at PGA National. Accuracy with fairway woods and long irons is tested on many tees,

and the new smaller "Emerald Bermuda" greens demand precise approach shots. Several doglegs provide a risk/reward opportunity for any longer hitter as well. The Squire is surrounded by natural areas teeming with vegetation and wildlife – the 5th hole even runs along part of a wilderness preserve, which borders the west side of the PGA National community.

Last renovated: Fall 2012 (new turf, rebuilt bunkers, expanded tee and green complexes).

Champion Course – Originally designed by Tom and George Fazio for major tournament play, the Champion course at PGA National Resort & Spa was redesigned by Jack Nicklaus in 1990 and now hosts the Honda Classic each spring

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Last renovated: Fall 2012 (new turf, rebuilt bunkers, expanded tee and green complexes).

Palmer Course – Named after its designer, Arnold Palmer, this course is one of the more forgiving at PGA National from tee to fairway, known as a risk/reward game. The open fairways and larger "Champion Bermuda" greens can be quite accommodating and invite players to take a chance if they dare – as golfers are not overly penalized for missing the fairway or primary rough on most holes here. There is a considerable amount of undulation through the fairway, presenting the opportunity for uneven lies and creative shot-making. The Palmer has a great series of finishing holes, with the 18th being one of the most scenic par 5s on the property.

UUCF is also selling the Survival Kit. Included in the package are: **Friday:** three mulligans, putting contest and

ball in the circle contest; **Saturday:** three mulligans, two throws, putting contest and ball in the circle contest; and **Sunday:** three mulligans, two throws, putting contest and ball in the circle contest. If the above items were purchased separately, it would cost \$170.00. However, for golfers who purchase the Survival Kit prior to the first day of the tournament, the cost is only \$160.00. Golfers may also participate in the optional skins game on Sunday at a cost of \$50.00 per team.

There will be great prizes (first and second place each day), optional purchase of the skins game on Sunday and a lot of fun. There will also be prizes for Longest Drive and Closest to the Pin. We will also be holding a putting contest each day.

The tournament is open to the first 60 teams. Hurry and mail your entry fee along with the registration form as soon as possible. Sleeping accommodations consist of two people per one bedroom (two double beds) or four people (two bedrooms, two double beds) per Cottage Quad.

UUCF is now accepting sponsorships for the President's Cup Golf Tournament. The following is a list of the various sponsorship programs:

- **Hospitality Suite Exclusive Sponsor** at \$1,000.00 (one slot only available). Sponsor will be recognized on signage

located in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament. Hospitality Suite sponsor will also be permitted to display their company's promotional items in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament.

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- **Hospitality Suite Sponsors** at \$500.00 (two slots available). Two sponsors will be recognized on signage located in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament. Hospitality Suite sponsors will also be permitted to display their company's promotional items in the Hospitality Suite throughout the tournament.
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Saturday during play at the tournament. Must secure at least two sponsors. If two sponsors are not secured, those who sponsored will be moved to a Tournament Sponsor. All sponsors will be recognized on signage located at a hole on the course on Saturday where the cigars will be distributed to the golfers.

- **Mulligan Sponsor** at \$100.00 each (unlimited slots available). All sponsors will be recognized on signage located at registration each day throughout the tournament.
- **Putting Contest Sponsor** at \$100.00 each (unlimited slots available). (All sponsors will be recognized on signage located at the Putting Contest each day throughout the tournament.)

For the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament Registration or Sponsorship forms, please see **Page 2** in this issue of the *Ditchmen* or visit the UUCF website at www.uucf.com/PCGolf/golf_tournament.asp. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the UUCF office at (407) 830-1880.

Hope to see you all at the UUCF President's Cup Golf Tournament on September 27–29 at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens.



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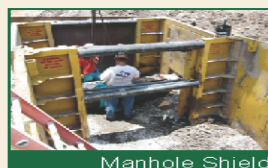
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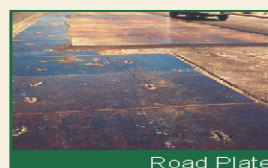
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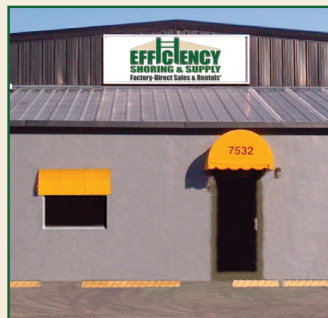


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After trying for five years, Florida finally has a law banning texting while driving. **CS/CS/CS/SB 52** by **Senator Nancy Detert (R - Venice)** was signed by the governor on May 28, 2013 and became **Chapter 2013-58**, Laws of Florida. But there are plenty of loopholes that give Florida drivers more leeway than in other states. They include:

- texting while driving is only a secondary offense.
- first texting ticket is considered a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a non-moving violation, and comes with \$30 fine.

- new law specifically states a driver's phone records can be used as evidence only if a crash results in a death or injury.

The House tacked on a last-minute amendment limiting law enforcement's ability to use phone records to identify violations. The sponsor of the amendment, **Representative Jose Oliva (R - Miami Lakes)** a future House speaker, said that limiting police access to motorists' texting records would protect the "civil liberties" of Floridians. This would have the effect of restricting the state's ability to prove whether a violation has occurred. The move stunned

Representative Doug Holder (R - Venice), the House sponsor and **Senator Nancy Detert**, the Senate measure's sponsor. In the end, both sponsors reluctantly accept **Oliva's** amendment.

The law also notes "a motor vehicle that is stationary is not being operated" and isn't subject to the ban. This allows for drivers stopped at traffic lights or stuck in traffic to carry on texting. So don't expect the driver in front of you to be ready to go when the light turns green if they're in the middle of a text.

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- I will continue to help grow the association to make it stronger and more powerful.



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- I will stand beside my competitors in order to provide a united front to protect our industry.
- I will not back down from the important issues.
- I will always be a resource for our members when they need help.
- I will serve in any capacity in order to represent my local chapter as they see fit.

I look forward to the leadership of UUCF's next President, Lauren Atwell of Layne Heavy Civil, Inc. Trust me when I say that we will be in very capable hands.

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- Exemptions
- Insurance Coverage Requirements
- Enforcement Provisions

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- Direct and Indirect Costs
- Inspections
- Florida Fatalities

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August 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
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August 8, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
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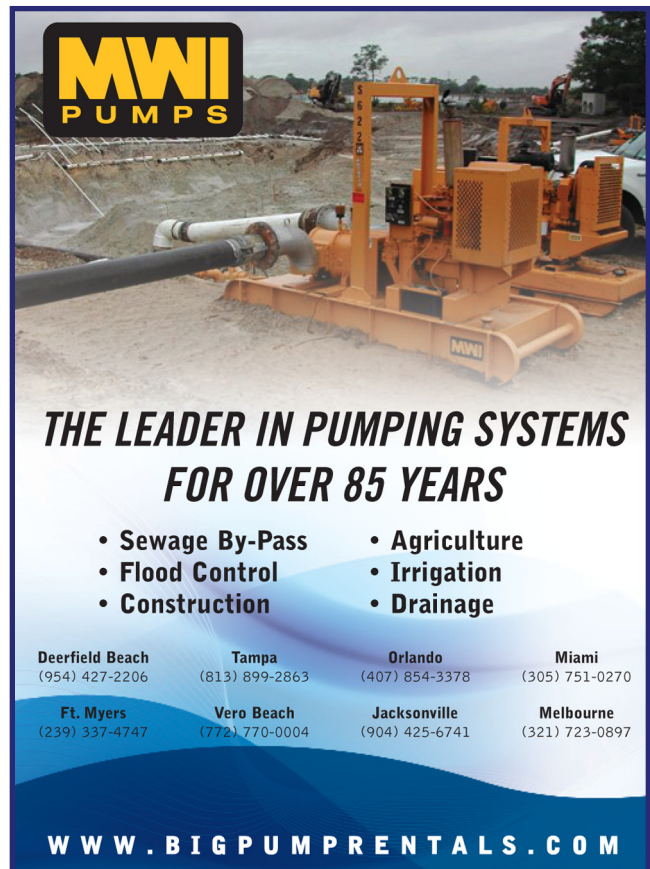
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October 9, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

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Calendar of Events

UUCF 2013

Sept. 27–29 President's Cup Golf Tournament,
PGA National Resort & Spa, Palm Beach Gardens
Nov. 1 Board of Director's Meeting, Orlando

2014

July 17 Board of Director's Meeting,
Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld, Orlando
July 17–20 Annual Conference,
Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld, Orlando

NUCA of North Florida

Aug. 13 Executive Committee Meeting
Sept. 10 Executive Committee Meeting
Sept. 19 General Membership Meeting
Sept. (TBA) Clay Shoot, WW Sporting Clay
Oct. 8 Executive Committee Meeting
Oct. (TBA) Fishing Tournament
Nov. 5 Executive Committee Meeting
Nov. 21 Election of Officers
Dec. 10 Executive Committee Meeting
Dec. (TBA) Holiday Party

NUCA of Northwest Florida 2013

Oct. 12 Equipment Rodeo, Equestrian Center

2014

Feb. (TBA) Annual Meeting, Museum of Commerce

NUCA of Southwest Florida

Aug. 15 Board of Directors/General Membership
Meetings
Sept. 20–21 Fishing Tournament
Sept. 26 Board of Director's Meeting
Oct. 17 Board of Directors/General Membership
Meetings
Nov. 21 Board of Director's Meeting
Dec. 7 Holiday Party & Installation of Officers

National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA)

Oct. 2–4 Fall Board of Directors and Leadership
Meeting, El Conquistador in Las Croabas, Puerto Rico

Sunshine 811 Meetings

Oct. 18 Executive Committee Meeting,
DeBary/Conference Call

Nov. 14–15 Committee & Board of Director's
Meetings, Call Center, DeBary

Construction Industry Licensing Board (CILB) Meetings

Aug. 14–16 The Ritz–Carlton Sarasota
Sept. 11–13 The Bohemian Celebration Hotel,
Celebration
Oct. 9–11 The Florida Hotel & Conference Center,
Orlando
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Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

November 6, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

November 7, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

December 4, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workers' Compensation
WEB Based class

December 5, 2013

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST
Workplace Safety
WEB Based class

The Division of Workers' Compensation is an authorized provider (Provider Number: 0004354) for continuing education purposes through the CILB. Course Number: 0010118 – one hour satisfies the workers' compensation requirement and Course Number: 0010630 – one hour satisfies the workplace safety requirement.

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Thanksgiving Day	11/28/13
Day after Thanksgiving Day	11/29/13
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Christmas Day	12/25/13

2014 Holiday Calendar

New Year's Day	01/01/14
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2013 FDOT Letting Date

August 28
September 25
October 30
December 4

2014 FDOT Letting Date

January 29	February 26
March 26	April 30
May 21	June 18





Chapter News

NUCA of North Florida

We are pleased to announce the winners of this year's scholarship awards. The winner of the *J. Richard Baker Scholarship* is Emily Elizabeth Johns, daughter of Kim Bryan, Petticoat-Schmitt Civil Contractors, Inc., and Mark Johns, A. J. Johns, Inc. Emily recently graduated from The Bolles School in Jacksonville where she was an honor student participating in Varsity Softball, Young Republicans Club and a variety of school musicals and productions among many other activities. She is attending the University of Florida starting this summer where she will be double majoring in Animal Science and Theater. The *J. Richard Baker Scholarship* is a one-time \$2,000 award which is granted to high

school graduate starting college for the first time.

The winner of the *Mike Allen Scholarship* is Brooke Elizabeth Woodall, daughter of Flo and Mike Woodall, John Woody, Inc. Brooke attends the University of Alabama where she is majoring in Collaborative Education. The *Mike Allen Scholarship* is a one-time \$1,000 award which is granted to a high school senior, high school graduate, undergraduate college student or graduate student. We thank all of our applicants and wish them all the best in their academic endeavors.

Save the date for these upcoming events: our Second Annual Sporting Clay Challenge will be held on

September 12 and our Annual Fishing Tournament, October 12.

NUCA of Northwest Florida

Our Inshore Plus Fishing Tournament was held on June 15 at the Paradise Bar and Grill on Pensacola Beach. We ended up with 56 anglers and the winners were:

Junior Division: First Place – Jason Hayes, Jr. **Second Place** – Ben Joyner, Jr. **Ladies Division: First Place** – Melissa Overlade. **Second Place** – Ashley Thompson. **Flounder Category: First Place** – Chelsea O'Leary. **Second Place** – Matt O'Leary. **Trout Category: First Place** – Curtis Scott and **Second Place** – Donnie Atchison. **Red Fish Category: First Place** – Andrew Brown and **Second Place** – Chris Waller. **Snapper**



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Category: First Place – Keith Overlade and **Second Place** – Heath Hardy.

Thanks goes to our Committee Jordan Lee and Mike Brinkley for putting on a great tournament this year. A percentage of our proceeds were donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

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On September 20, we will hold a Competent Person training class in Pensacola, put on by United Rentals.

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Our Membership Meeting and Scholarship Awards night will be held at the Holiday Inn Airport–Gulf

Coast Town Center on July 18. Social hour begins at 5:45 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Jacquelin Brown, FDOT Contract Compliance Officer, who will provide an overview of compliance requirements on federally funded projects. The dinner cost is \$35.00 per person. Please RSVP to nucaswfl@gmail.com or (239) 939-1952.

We are excited to kick off our Football Mania fundraiser for the 2013 football season. Football Mania is a fun sweepstakes ticket based on professional football. Participation is \$20.00 per ticket giving you the chance to win prize money based on the results of the teams printed on your game card. To purchase your Football Mania Ticket or for additional information, please contact the NUCA of Southwest Florida office.

SUCA

We are excited to announce SUCA's membership recently grew by 34%

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Now that the DIRECTDrive is over, SUCA's Membership Committee Chair Tom Butler of RIPA & Associates has announced that SUCA is in full swing with the half year dues promotion. This is a great time to have a prospective member who may not be sure about joining the association to try membership for six months at half price. Please contact the SUCA office for more information.

SUCA's next Contractor Roundtable Meeting will be held on Friday, July 19 at the Columbia Restaurant in Ybor City from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The focus of the meeting will be a conversation on SUCA's strategy to address damage claims and damage avoidance. In partnership with Wayne Jensen and the Tampa Bay Excavation Task Force, SUCA has been able to make significant progress in fighting delayed and unfounded Verizon damage claims. Join me at the July 19 Contractor Roundtable and see what progress we've made. Joe Groszklos, District Manager for the Central Region of USIC, will be attendance and share how we have been able to partner with various contractors in the area on locate efficiency and damage prevention. In addition, we will welcome and introduce representatives from each

of the 23 new SUCA member firms and Brian Dean with Sunshine 811 will give a presentation on *Low Impact Marking Guidelines – White Lining and Limiting Scope*. We hope that you will be available to attend this important quarterly meeting. As a reminder, these meetings are for all SUCA members – contractors, associates and affiliates.

The 2013 SUCA Showcase will be held on Thursday, August 1 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Tampa from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. This table top show is well on its way to selling out! Invited guests include contractors, engineers and representatives of cities and counties throughout SUCA's membership area. Members will have a chance to showcase their products and services to their target audience at this spectacular event. Food, drinks and door prizes are incentive to fill the house and keep attendees there until the last ticket is drawn. Showcase Chairman Wally Quigg of Ferguson Waterworks is expecting a great turnout with excellent results. Please contact the SUCA office for additional information and to register for a booth. There are only 18 more spaces available, and booths will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. We look forward to your participation in making the show in 2013 a success!

You are 'o-fish-ally' invited to SUCA's 18th Annual Fish Fry on Friday, September 20 at Al Lopez Park in Tampa. As always, this is a very informal, outdoor, lunchtime event. Your taste buds will be tempted by Lupton's Catering with two kinds of fish, hush puppies, grits, coleslaw, peach cobbler and more. This is a real southern fish fry! Sorry, there will be no carry-outs, as this event is a membership get together. SUCA member employees, prospective members, customers, guests and family are all welcome to attend! Ten tickets will be mailed out

to each member firm in late August. Unwanted tickets should be mailed back to the SUCA office to avoid charges.

SUCA's Nominating Committee is currently working to plan our leadership for 2014. If you are interested in serving on SUCA's Board of Directors or in serving on a committee, please e-mail the SUCA office of your interest at mtjader@suca.org. As a reminder, you do NOT have to sit on SUCA's board to serve on a committee. Get involved in your association!

SUCA's Annual Banquet, Dinner & Dace will be held on December 14 at the Glazers Children's Museum in downtown Tampa. Details and registration information will be out to the membership in the coming months.

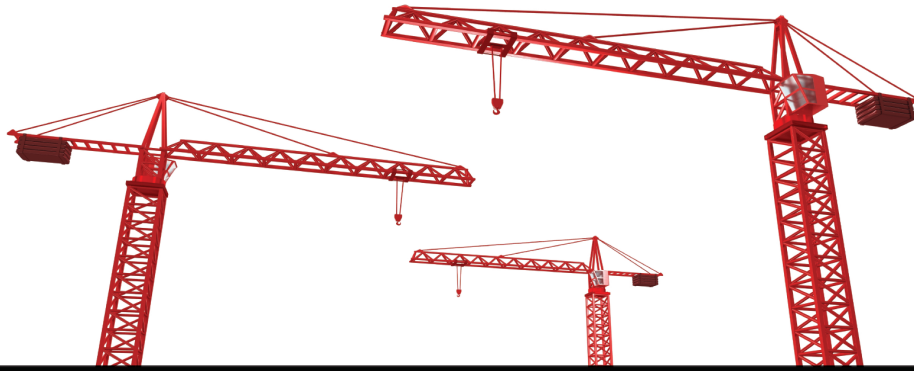
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OSHA Fact Sheet

Protect Yourself! Workers may be exposed to Brown Recluse Spider

The brown recluse belongs to a group of spiders commonly known as violin spiders or fiddlebacks. The characteristic fiddle-shaped pattern is located on the top of the leg attachment region (cephalothorax). Because they are secluded and withdrawn, as their name implies, the brown recluse avoids open spaces. Brown recluse spiders are dangerous and they can bite and inject toxic venom.

Identification

- Body size: 1/4 to 3/4 inch (6.4–19.1mm)
- Color: Golden brown
- A dark violin/fiddle shape is located on the top of the leg attachment region (cephalothorax) with the neck of the violin/fiddle pointing backward toward the abdomen.
- Unlike most spiders that have

eight eyes, the brown recluse has six eyes. The eyes, arranged in pairs – one pair in front and a pair on either side – can be readily seen under low magnification.

Habitat

The Brown Recluse Spider builds small retreat webs behind objects of any type.

Symptoms

- The severity of the bite may vary. Symptoms may vary from none to very severe.
- The bite generally becomes reddened within several hours.
- There is often a systemic reaction within 24–36 hours characterized by restlessness, fever, chills, nausea, weakness and joint pain.
- Tissue at the site of the bite and the surrounding area dies and eventually sheds.

Protection

- Wear a long-sleeved shirt, hat, gloves, and boots when handling

stored boxes, firewood, lumber and rocks, etc.

- Inspect and shake out clothing and shoes before getting dressed.
- Use insect repellants, such as DEET or Picaridin, on clothing and footwear.

Treatment

- Clean the bite area with soap and water.
- Apply ice to the bite area to slow absorption of the venom.
- Elevate and immobilize the bitten extremity.
- Capture the spider, if at all possible, for identification purposes.
- Seek medical attention.

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