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## Local Business Owners Cross Country Journey Concludes on August 1<sup>st</sup>

Phil Cooper, Owner of Cooper Pest Solutions and BedBug Central Finishes His Ride Across the US for MS

Lawrenceville, N.J.— July 31, 2012 – Phil Cooper's 60 day, 3,780 mile cross country journey will come to an end on Wednesday, August 1 in San Francisco, CA. Cooper, an active cyclist, began the ride in Yorktown, Virginia on June 1<sup>st</sup> as part of the Bike the US for MS TransAtlantic Ride with 17 other riders going coast to coast. A personal mission of Cooper's since the mid 80's, the decision to do this ride came as a challenge both physically and mentally and a way to mark one of life's milestones, his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday!

Cooper organized <u>PhilAcrossAmerica.com</u> to work in conjunction with the <u>Bike the US for MS</u> and <u>National</u> <u>MS Society</u> fundraising efforts. PhilAcrossAmerica has acted as a platform for various social media efforts along the way, including blog posts, photos and videos captured by Cooper on his journey and a tracking device to follow his progress and route. PhilAcrossAmerica has seen many a guest rider along the way (almost 30 to be exact), as family, friends, colleagues and industry associates have linked up with Cooper at one point or another during his trek across the country.

Having cycled through eight states Cooper has encountered a variety of terrain and weather, all the while feeling stronger and stronger as each day passed. "We rode through Kansas and encountered temperatures well into the 100's, the Rockies were wicked climbs and the Nevada desert offered challenging headwinds. In each case, you truly have to appreciate how beautiful and picturesque the scenery is every day," said Cooper.

"I live my life by the motto of *No Regrets*, to live life to the fullest and help as many people as I can. I have *No Regrets* over my first 50 years and as I start the next 50 I will continue to live by this motto. We go around this life once so I promise to make it count. Please help me reach my fundraising goals and help find a cure for this awful disease." – Phil Cooper. To donate to please visit <u>PhilAcrossAmerica</u>.

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## **About Phil Across America**

Phil Cooper, President and CEO of Cooper Pest Solutions and BedBug Central will be joining the Bike the US for MS team to raise awareness and donations for Multiple Sclerosis. Phil Cooper will be cycling 3,780 miles for 60 days starting in Virginia and ending in California with the other members of the Bike the US for MS team. To follow his journey, visit <u>www.philacrossamerica.com</u>

## BedBug Central

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## **Cooper Pest Solutions**

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