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## **CREEPIEST SCORPION CONTEST ANNOUNCES \$1,000 WINNER**

*Scorpion Sisters hit home-run*

**PHOENIX, Ariz. –July 3, 2014** – After receiving almost 100 entries, Bug & Weed Mart selected Queen Creek resident, Katherine Kent’s story and video, as the first place winner of its Creepiest Scorpion Contest. Kent and her family will be awarded \$1000 for sharing their scorpion encounters.

The locally-owned, do-it-yourself supply store that specializes in pest and weed control, held the contest to help raise awareness about scorpions and to educate the public on how to protect against them. Bug & Weed Mart owner, Jim LaBrie, also recognized Kelly Whallon and Bobbi Asher, both of Phoenix for their scary scorpion tales and photos.

“I’ve heard many stories over the years, but our top 10 finalists had some of the creepiest,” said LaBrie. “Scorpions are part of us living in a desert, but we want people to know you can take preventative measures to ensure the safety of your family.”

Kent rallied her friends and family to vote via Facebook likes, shares and Retweets to become a finalist, but her creative video presentation recounting her girls’ experiences with scorpion stings, separated her from the others. Kent’s 16 year-old nephew, Hunter Jones directed and edited Meagan and Katelynn Kent’s re-enactment.

Kent plans to split cash prize between her two girls and her nephew.

To view the winning video and the other stories that were submitted, visit Bug & Weed Mart’s [Facebook page](#). For more information on how to control and prevent scorpions visit [www.bugweedmart.com](http://www.bugweedmart.com) or one of their five valley locations.

### ***About Bug & Weed Mart***

*Founded in 1979, Bug & Weed Mart offers professional grade products, equipment and instruction. With a highly experienced staff the retail chain provides free, friendly and easy-to-understand information about all aspects of do-it-yourself pest and weed control. For more information on Bug and Weed Mart’s services and five valley-wide locations visit [bugweedmart.com](http://bugweedmart.com)*

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