



*Alice's
 Corner*

January 2013? Hard to believe. We all have to be thankful that we are still here as I am sure you, like us, have lost friends/relatives this past 2012. May God have mercy on all of us in 2013. As we prepare for another year, we consider many plans, ideas, resolutions as how to enjoy our lives more; how to take more time for our families and friends; how to learn more; how to weigh less, etc. We, at any age, should consider what is most important in our lives and act accordingly. It is the same with our time at work as it is with our time after work.

We at Pond Pro Shop have been asked by our new owners to do things a little differently in the Store so we are looking at challenges in 2013. We will of course continue to sell everything you will need to build and maintain a pond. We will continue to sell statuary, fountains, outdoor and patio furniture, and of course beautiful pottery. You

will not notice a lot of difference hopefully as we tweak and make changes. Our goal is to continue with the best customer service and the best prices for the products for each of our customers. We will continue with our pond-dollar program. We will continue with our classes, though our plans are at this time to conduct only ten Saturday classes (last year we held 19 classes). We will continue with monthly newsletters (however at this time you only get them via e-mail). We will continue with our own product training in order to be on top of the game and that training is February 7 and 8 and the Store will be "short-staffed" then...probably Juan and I. Mike and Belinda will attend and come back and share what they learned with us.

We have just cleaned out the Store of Christmas items and it is "early spring cleaning" time. As we clean we will bring in new product and rearrange. Everything should look fresh and different. I hope you are pleasantly surprised. Right now it looks bare. When we finish I hope we are pleasantly surprised as well.

We will be working in the yard also with new display areas; changing out some of the ponds with new and different equipment in order to keep up with the trends and successes. One large and interesting display that you will need to watch out for will be one using all our artificial rocks; "pre-fab" artificial rock ponds; artificial rock creek liners. We are waiting until all the Christmas lights are put away and the weather cooperates for Juan to begin the project.

As always, when one door closes...another opens with new thoughts, new projects and new products.

We at Pond Pro Shop wish for all of you to have a prosperous, safe and healthy 2013. See you in March if not before. March 16th is our first class..."Spring Startup". I will order doughnuts!!

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Tips and Tricks

We often have customers ask, "What if my pond freezes over solid this winter?" Don't panic and hit the ice with a hammer to make a hole!! The shock-wave may injure your fish and it will for sure give them a headache and they will be mad at you! Many farm ponds freeze over all the time and those fish usually don't die from it. YOUR pond probably has a lot more fish per gallon of water than a farm pond so you should try to keep a hole in the ice for gas exchange. We have several different heaters in stock that should do the trick or you might just leave your pump running. Water flowing at 2,000 gallons per hour or more should not freeze around here.



Above—There are still some beautiful pots remaining at 40% off (I don't know how long I can keep offering them this at these prices). *At left*—Here are just a few of the many Universal faux rocks we have in stock now. Come see the wide selection of accent rocks, bubblers, waterfalls and ponds available. Lightweight but durable these rocks can be placed anywhere in or around your gardens.

Water Garden Club Meetings

Tulsa 2nd Tuesday @ 6:30pm Tulsa Garden Ctr
www.gcwgs.com for more info
 OKC 2nd Wednesday @ 7:00pm Will Rogers
www.wgso.org for more info
 Choctaw Pond & Garden 3rd Saturday evening @
 6:00pm 405-391-3215 for more info
 Stillwater 3rd Monday @ 7:00pm
www.stillwaterwatergardens.org for more info
 Duncan 1st Tuesday @ 7:00pm Red River Tech
 580-595-0842 for more info

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Free Classes - SPRING/SUMMER 2013 SCHEDULE

Check the schedule for start times. All classes are free and open to the public. No advance registration required. More classes added each month. Ten Pond Dollars awarded for each class. We train rain or shine in the only indoor pond training facility in the U.S.

Spring Startup

Mar 16 10:00am *It's time to open up your pond for the season and we'll try to answer all of your questions about what to do-when-and how. You may want to consider a spring cleaning about now too so we'll cover the basics of that as well.*

Pond Build

April 13th 10:00am *This is the perfect time to build your pond and have it ready for the season. We'll show you step-by-step how to build the water feature of your dreams in your backyard. We'll have the dirt work all done and then lead you through the steps one-by-one. You'll have the opportunity to ask questions and get all the information you need to be a success.*

For future class schedules, go to
www.pondproshop.com



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Coupons for in-store use

Mystery Coupon

Any single item in stock in the store. You pick the item, we'll take 15% off. Not available with any other discount or special offer.



Coupon required. Valid through January 31, 2013

Coupon must be present for discount. Valid for retail store purchases only. **Not valid with any other discount**
 Applies to Retail Store Pricing Only.



Coupons for in-store use

Winter Prep

15% off!!

Autumn Prep provides the bacteria you need to seed your pond well for the cold weather season and accelerate the decomposition of organic matter in the Spring.



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