



*Alice's
 Corner*

This February 2013 will print the last of "Alice's Corner". I am sadly leaving Pond Pro Shop after 9 1/2 years. What a Ride!!!! This has been such a blessing for me in the autumn of my life and at a time when I was grieving the loss of my husband. I learned a lot! Hope you did as well. We have had many classes through the years, have met many new friends and welcomed those often. A lot of products have come and gone that we, you and I, have had to discover and try. Some we liked more than others and those have remained. I've lost count of the number of people who came and worked in the Store and Yard for Pond Pro Shop and then left. All made some contribution to Pond Pro Shop then went on to another challenge. Mike has remained for the last five years, and

Juan a little more. Mike completes all the newsletter other than my notes, I'm sure he will pick this up also...maybe call it Mike's Message or something like that. At any rate, welcome him. The article will be informative and interesting I can guarantee.

There are a lot of changes in the Store as you will notice when you visit this year. We will be selling everything you need to build, maintain, and decorate your pond. We will have outdoor furniture, benches, statuary, and pots, of course. We will have gazebos, arches, and miscellaneous metal items to furnish your yard and patio. Our classes will continue. Gift items will be missing with the exception of a few bird houses, outdoor clocks, lanterns, etc. I am sure Mike will keep it exciting for your visits.

I will miss all of you a lot. Some I know more than others...some have lost mates, some have battled cancer and other ailments. I will continue to pray for your good health and peace within. We have cried together, prayed together and laughed together. Friendships have continued. How can I not miss those private times. Continue to let PPS people know how you are doing...I will check in often to keep up. I will leave my address with Mike in case you want to let me know what is going on with you.

I plan to clean my house, garage, etc; work in my pondless feature and continue landscaping my yard. I pray for continued good health in order to do all this. I wish you all the very best , *Alice*

Tips and Tricks

As the Oklahoma weather changes this time of year, don't be fooled into feeding your fish yet. They may become more active for a short period of time due to an increase in temperature for a few days but that next cold snap will slow them back down. I know, I know. They're so cute when they come to the surface and beg to be fed but you have to be the adult here. They'll eat it if you give it to them. But then the food will remain in their digestive system and could cause harm. Wait until the water temperature reaches a stable 55 degrees or more before you begin feeding.



Meet and Greet!

Meet **Sandy Miller**; no relation to Mike. Sandy joins us after a life at a local big box store. She'll be working here in the store and yard learning all about ponds, fish and plants. Sandy has 2 daughters and a son and currently lives in Meeker. She's a Blue Star mom with her youngest daughter currently serving in the US Navy and her son just having completed a tour in the US Army.



And also, meet **Jaclyn Morgan**, Alice's granddaughter. Many of you will remember Jaclyn since she's worked here off and on during summer and school breaks for several years. Jaclyn knows a lot about the plants, fish and pond products. She is a welcome addition to our staff.

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
 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
 If you have a water garden club let us know so we can advertise it here for you.

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The Piedmont Deep seating collection from Breezesta. You'll love the new colors and cushions. The Sunbrella fabrics are specifically designed for outdoor use. Expand the seasons with this new stylish patio furniture while helping save the environment. Each piece removes hundreds of milk jugs and water bottles from our landfills. Lifetime warranty for furniture, One year for cushions.

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 *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.*
10:00am

Pond Build

April 13th *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.*
10:00am

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

The New Helix Skimmer From The Pond Digger



Not finished yet but this is the beginning of the new look here in the store. We'll still have all the pond products, chemicals and other water garden items you've come to appreciate and we promise to still provide you the same great service.



Get the latest information on our website, www.pondproshop.com and Facebook page. We will no longer publish a print version of this newsletter. Please note our new winter store hours; Wednesday thru Friday 9:00am-6:00pm and Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm. Call 405-273-8363 in the event of inclement weather as ice and/or snow may keep us from opening or force us to open late.



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 February 28, 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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