

Mike's Minutes



It will be different in 21 days!

ing and a misting system to insure natural growth. The shapes and sizes make them a perfect complement to any décor and the smaller ones fit comfortably on a desk so while you're waiting for your computer to boot up you can watch the fish. You will find the whole line on our Pondliner.com website under 'aquariums' or come see them in action at the store.



biOrb Tube with multi color lights

What a strange Winter this has been so far. Seventy today and forty's tomorrow, with a possibility of snow the next day. I can't decide whether to wear shorts, parka, sandals or mukluks to work. It has been nice on those days when it warms up to get some work done outside in preparation for the Water Garden Expo the last week in February. We're almost there, just a few more chores and I think we'll be ready. You'll want to come see the two new ponds after the first of March, they'll be operational and ready for fish and plants in the Spring. Remember, we won't typically be selling plants or fish until the class in May. I've tried bringing in plants earlier but Mother Nature laughed at me and brought in a freeze on May 3rd. The fish are always happier when the outside water temps more closely approximate the indoor temps as well. Five degrees is huge to them.

If you haven't noticed the new aquarium line, you need to see them when you come in. There are five different styles of aquariums in multiple sizes and colors and a terrarium in a 16 gallon size that has a plant friendly light-



biOrbAir Terrarium

I enjoyed seeing many of you at the recent OKC Home & Garden show last week. I also met a lot of new people who are interested in living the pond life by coming to a class. One common refrain from many who stopped by was, "What can I do about the string algae growing in my waterfall this Winter?" My answer was simple, "Leave it alone, it's Mother Nature's way of using up nitrates that are accumulating in the pond." The other frequently asked question was, "Is it time to feed my fish yet?" That answer was an emphatic, "No!" While water temps are approaching the forty's in our ponds, it's not warm enough consistently enough to feed yet.

Always be humble and kind ~~~Mike

TIPS and TRICKS

I think it's too early to worry about using your pond vacuum to clean the debris from the bottom of your ponds. Doing it this early could stir up some nastiness that your fish won't like. If you didn't get the leaves and trash out before you put the net on, you might as well wait until the water temps get above 55 and the fish are more active. Their immune system is at its lowest right now and you shouldn't do anything that would unduly stress them while they're in this weakened condition. Another few weeks isn't going to make or break your pond startup for the season. Besides, you know it's going to get cold again before it gets too much warmer (today aside).

Water Garden Club Meetings

Tulsa 2nd Tuesday @ 6:30pm Tulsa Garden Ctr
www.gcwgs.com for more info

OKC 1st Tuesday @ 7:00pm (New Location)
Grace UMC, 6316 N. Tulsa, OKC

www.wgso.org for more info

Stillwater Meetings on hold until further notice

www.stillwaterwatergardens.org for more info

Duncan 1st Tuesday @ 7:00pm Red River Tech
580-595-0842 for more info

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March

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2018

10:00am

Spring Startup
Your pond has been asleep and now it's time
to wake it up. What do you do? Come find out
what we recommend for the first steps to kick
off your season..

April 7

2018

10:00am

Pond Filtration

When you started, the filter you had was just
right for the few fish you had. Now they've
grown and had babies. What can you do to
insure your filter will keep up with the new load
your fish place on it?

April 21

2018

10:00am

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