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**Pike Nurseries celebrates the New Year with FREE gardening classes**

*Local garden center invites customers to welcome 2017 with houseplants and birding*

**ATLANTA (December 27, 2016)** – The New Year is almost here! To help green-thumb gurus make the most of their home and garden during 2017, the experts at **Pike Nurseries** are taking the guesswork out of gardening by hosting FREE classes this January. Attendees will receive complimentary light refreshments, a themed take home item and be entered to win a special grand prize at each class.

**Houseplants for the Home Class**

After weeks of holiday festivities, it's time to refresh homes with houseplants that bring much needed color during the bare winter months and provide health benefits to all. During this FREE class, horticulturist Melodie McDanal will teach customers how to select the right houseplants, arrange them for attractive displays and give fresh care tips to ensure they last well into the winter. Additionally, class attendees will receive a 4-inch houseplant to take home and be entered-to-win a \$50 specimen houseplant.

The complete houseplant class schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, January 3 at 6 p.m.** – Johns Creek store location
- **Wednesday, January 4 at 6 p.m.** – West Cobb store location
- **Thursday, January 5 at 6 p.m.** – Peachtree City store location
- **Saturday, January 7 at 9 a.m.** – Lindbergh store location

**Attract Birds to the Backyard Class**

Winter is the perfect time to welcome a colorful flurry of feathered friends! During this FREE class, taught by certified plant professional Mickey Gazaway, guests will learn the essentials needed to attract birds, what type of bird food is best for certain species and how to create an inviting habitat for them during the crucial winter months. All class attendees will receive a 5-pound bag of Pike Nurseries Special Mix Bird Seed and be entered to win a \$50 bird house.

The complete birding class schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, January 17 at 6 p.m.** – Peachtree City store location
- **Wednesday, January 18 at 6 p.m.** – Johns Creek store location
- **Thursday, January 19 at 6 p.m.** – Lindbergh store location
- **Saturday, January 21 at 9 a.m.** – West Cobb store location

For more information on the FREE gardening classes and events offered at Pike Nurseries, please visit [pikenursery.com/pages/pike-classes-events](http://pikenursery.com/pages/pike-classes-events). To find Pike Nurseries store locations, visit [pikenursery.com/garden-center/stores-list.html](http://pikenursery.com/garden-center/stores-list.html).

## **ABOUT PIKE NURSERIES**

Ever committed to its customers' gardening success, Pike Nurseries takes pride in taking the guesswork out of gardening and helping its customers play in the dirt. Offering superior knowledge, quality, and selection in a friendly, caring environment, Pike Nurseries has been a Southern icon for more than 55 years. Founded in 1958 by Pete Pike, the company is now led by CEO Mike Kunce. With 17 retail locations in the Atlanta, Ga., and Charlotte, N.C. areas, Pike Nurseries offers a full-service landscape installation and design program and boasts a signature greenhouse to carefully grow annuals and perennials for the communities it serves. Pike Nurseries continues its commitment to keeping neighborhoods beautiful, one landscape at a time. For more information, please visit Pike Nurseries online at [www.pikenursery.com](http://www.pikenursery.com).

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