

Pool House Coming Down

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We had another dumpster delivered on Friday, this one jumbo sized. I could park our mini-van in that thing. The weekend plan: tear down the pool house! It was long overdue.



The pool house, a horribly nasty shack adjacent to our horribly nasty **pool**, was not safe. The floors were rotten, and it was full of all kinds of junk. It had to go.

Step one was to clear out the inside. There were plenty of gems in there, but the best find has to have been this:



Under a tarp, we found 30 (yes, 30) containers of 20 year old muriatic acid. What in the hell am I going to do with this? Metro's toxic waste disposal only takes a limited number, so it will take a while. Anyone want some acid? ;)

Once the junk was cleared out, things started coming down. The inside walls were partially covered with cedar paneling, and in very good shape. We are going to try to recycle that wood in some way, maybe lining closets with it or something. The other walls were full of squirrel nests and huge spiders. As it turns out, these are not very fun to find when doing demolition.

The highlight of my day: Holding a 4x8 sheet of plywood and falling through a rotten deck board. It just doesn't get any better than that.

We got pretty far today, but we're not done yet. At the end of day one, the pool house is empty. The

roof and walls are gone, inside and out. All that remains is the framework, soon to be just an unpleasant memory.

Here's a before shot:



And after:



Also, I don't know if anyone noticed, but it was really hot out there today. 108? What???