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## Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada *December 2013* Community Newsletter

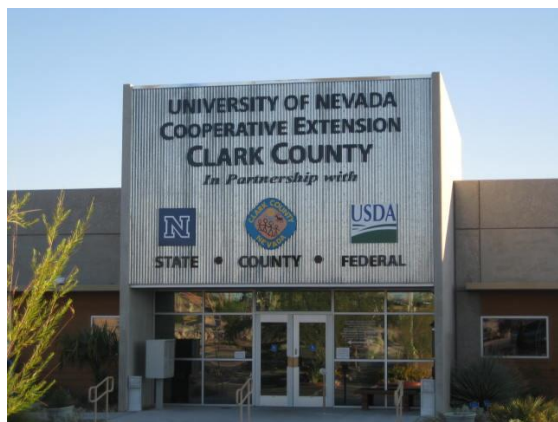
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### HOME GARDENING HELP LINE

702-257-5555; Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm or [LVMasterGardeners@unce.unr.edu](mailto:LVMasterGardeners@unce.unr.edu)

Call, email or visit the MGs at University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, 8050 Paradise Road, LV 89123

FIND US ON FACEBOOK: <http://www.facebook.com/MasterGardenersOfSouthernNevada>



### JOIN US!

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(UNCE) offers horticulture education for homeowners, community volunteers and landscape professionals. Here's a peak at what's coming for 2014 at the Lifelong Learning Center:

### MASTER GARDENERS OF SOUTHERN NEVADA

Master Gardeners teach area residents environmentally-sound desert gardening practices. We answer questions on the Home Gardening Help Line, staff "Ask a MG" information tables at community events, offer classes and work on community projects. Since 1992 over 1200 individuals have completed the training; an average of 300 members remains active each year.

Master Gardeners complete 80-hours of classroom/lab instruction and volunteer 50 hours on approved projects. MG Training classes are offered in Las Vegas in the Spring semester. Twenty classes will be held between March 10 - April 30 on a MWF schedule from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

Registration for the Spring 2014 Training will take place on January 6 & 15. An application and interview are required. \$200 for all twenty classes. Persons interested in attending and learning more about the MG Training and Volunteer requirements should contact Mary at [bertschm@unce.unr.edu](mailto:bertschm@unce.unr.edu) or 257-5501 to reserve a space.

### Master Gardeners at Work on Community Gardening Projects!



*Left:* MG Pat Westlund removes squash from raised bed planters at Lieburn Senior Center Community Garden.

*Right:* MG Kathy Fournier adjusts moisture in barrel composter at UNCE Demonstration & Test Gardens.



*Left: Master Gardeners harvest the last of the warm season vegetables before planting cool season crops at MG Community Garden.*

*Right: MG Nedra Hoogland and MG Don Fabbi advise gardeners at the public Provident Community Garden.*

## **GARDENING IN SMALL PLACES 2014**

Open to all; offered Saturday mornings at UNCE. \$25.00 for each class or \$220.00 for all eleven classes. Contact Elaine Fagin at [fagine@unce.unr.edu](mailto:fagine@unce.unr.edu) or 257-5573.

- **January 11 -- Pruning**

Learn pruning basics: when to prune, how to prune

- **February 15 -- Vegetable Gardening**

Turn your small space into a productive vegetable garden

- **March 8 -- Composting**

There's no place too small to have an effective compost. You CAN do it!

- **April 19 -- Understanding Your Irrigation**

Discover the right type of irrigation for your landscape

- **May 10 -- What's Bugging Your Garden?**

Find out about the problems in your garden and how to control them

- **June 28 -- Organic Gardening**

There is a lot of buzz about organic gardening, but what does it really mean?

- **July 19 -- The Dirt on Soil**

Desert soil is different—infertile, salty, and alkaline. What can you do?

- **August 9 -- Landscape Design**

Learn creative ways to make your small space your dream space without breaking the budget

- **September 20 -- Using Native and Desert Adapted Plants**

Have a lush landscape while saving money, energy and water? Come find out how!

- **October 4 Tree -- Selection and Care**

How to find the perfect tree for your landscape and learn how to care for it

- **November 15 -- Growing Fruit at Home**

Fresh berries, grapes, tree fruits, vining fruits in the desert? You bet!

## **SEMINAR ON "URBAN TREE CARE –THE MATURE YEARS"**

Workshops for Landscape Professionals offered one day in English, one day in Spanish. CEU's available. Doors open at 6:30am; classes 7am– 3:30pm at UNCE.

### **Friday, January 31, 2014 – ENGLISH**

- To register contact: 'Chelle Reed at 257-5536 or [reedc@unce.unr.edu](mailto:reedc@unce.unr.edu)

### **Friday, February 7, 2014 – SPANISH**

- To register contact: Martha Barajas at 257-5522 or [barajasm@unce.unr.edu](mailto:barajasm@unce.unr.edu)