Dear Gardener -- You are receiving this email newsletter because you gave your email address to the Master Gardener program. If you no longer wish to receive updates, please contact Mary Bertsch, Program Assistant, at bertschm@unce.unr.edu or 257-5501.

HOME GARDENING HELP LINE:
702-257-5555; Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

GARDENING INFORMATION AND PEST ALERTS:
http://www.facebook.com/MasterGardenersOfSouthernNevada

UPCOMING CLASSES AND EVENTS:
http://www.unce.unr.edu/blogs/southernarea/

REGISTRATION FOR NEXT MASTER GARDENER TRAINING
Join the Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada! We’ll hold two registration sessions: on Wednesday, January 9 and January 30 from 9-11 a.m. at Cooperative Extension’s Lifelong Learning Center, 8050 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89123. The Master Gardener program is open to adults who accept the stringent training and volunteer commitments.

Learn about the 80 hours of training, the 50 hour volunteer commitment and 30+ Master Gardener community projects. A $150 cost-recovery fee covers all class materials including three textbooks, MG badge, shirt, tote and some refreshments. Applications will be accepted at both sessions and personal interviews of interested candidates will take place at that time. Reservations to attend a registration session must be made by contacting Mary at email above.

SPRING SEMESTER CLASSES
Spring 2013 semester classes will be offered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings (8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) from March 11 to April 29. Attendance at all 20 classes is required. The Master Gardener program teaches sustainable desert gardening practices, including proper plant selection and care, disease and pest management and water-efficient gardening. To become a Master Gardener, an individual must complete 80 hours of horticultural instruction and volunteer 50 hours on community projects each year. The Master Gardener title can only be used when performing volunteer work on behalf of the University.

Fall 2012 Training Class Graduation
GARDENING IN SMALL PLACES - PRUNING
On Saturday, January 12, 2013 Dr. Angela O’Callaghan will offer a class on pruning techniques for the desert. Gardening in Small Places—Pruning will be from 9 a.m. to noon at UNCE. The class will cover pruning fruit trees, ornamentals and desert plants.

Class space is limited and pre-registration is required. There is a $25 fee which includes class materials. To register for the workshop contact Elaine Fagin at fagine@unce.unr.edu or call 257-5573.

GARDENING IN SMALL PLACES

Future workshops include:

- Gardening in small spaces; in February
- Composting in small spaces; in March
- What went wrong; in April

All classes are held at UNCE Lifelong Learning Center and Outdoor Education Center Classrooms.

Open to all interested!

ASK A MASTER GARDENER!

Master Gardeners are volunteers who teach, assist and work with community partners on projects across the Las Vegas valley. Projects are on-going at Acacia Park, the Springs Preserve, Doolittle, Lieburn and Heritage Senior Center Community Gardens, the Master Gardener Orchard and Nellis AFB Environmental Grove.

We staff information tables at area Farmers Markets and answer gardening questions at the Home Gardening Help Line. Contact the Las Vegas Master Gardeners at 257-5555 or lvmastergardeners@unce.unr.edu.

Home Gardening Help Line

Contact: Ann Edmunds, Program Coordinator, UNCE Master Gardeners, edmundsa@unce.unr.edu or 702-257-5587

Farmers Markets – at Tivoli and Springs Preserve

Master Gardeners from the Clark County/University of Nevada Cooperative Extension provide free, research-based horticulture information. UNCE is an EEO/AA Institution.