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Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada *January 2014* Community Newsletter

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HOME GARDENING HELP LINE

702-257-5555; Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm or LVMasterGardeners@unce.unr.edu

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

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20,000 HOURS OF VOLUNTEER SERVICE!

Master Gardener Richard Leifried was honored at the December meeting for contributing over 20,000 volunteer hours on Master Gardener projects. Richard has been a Master Gardener in the Las Vegas program since 1994. He volunteers regularly on the Home Gardening Help Line (702-257-5555) and helps organize the monthly membership meetings. He was instrumental in bringing the International Master Gardener Conference to Las Vegas in 2009, and has worked on numerous community projects throughout his volunteer "career," including at Old Mormon Fort, Red Rock, Spring Mountain Ranch, Desert Green and Winchester Park. The Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada salute Richard Leifried for his generosity and commitment to the community!



REGISTRATION FOR SPRING 2014 MG TRAINING

Want to join Richard? Registration for the Spring 2014 Master Gardener Training will take place on January 6 & 15. An application and interview are required. Classes will be held on MWF from 8:30-12:30 from March 10 – April 25. \$200 fee for all twenty classes. Pre-register to attend the Registration session by contacting Mary at bertschm@unce.unr.edu or 257-5501. *Please note that MG Training is now offered once a year in the Spring semester. In the Fall we offer Advanced Training classes that are open only to Certified Master Gardeners.*

MASTER GARDENERS AT WORK ON COMMUNITY PROJECTS!



Master Gardeners help out each month at the Nellis AFB Environmental Grove, a picnic and recreation area.

In November we kept ourselves busy pruning the dead branches out of the trees and working with the base personnel cutting back the tree limbs that have overgrown the pathways. We are pleased to support our troops and their families in this small way.

(L): Master Gardeners mix soil at UNCE Research Center on Horse Drive.

(R): Demonstrations on pruning table and wine grapes will be given in January '14.



GARDENING IN SMALL PLACES: PRUNING



On Saturday, January 11, 2014 at UNCE we will have our "Gardening in Small Places: Pruning" class from 9am-noon.

January into early February is the perfect time to prune many of the plants in your garden. Dr. Angela O'Callaghan will show you the tools and techniques you need to properly prune your landscape.

If you'd like some hands-on practice, please bring your bypass pruners, gloves and eye protection to the class.

Contact Elaine Fagin at fagine@unce.unr.edu or 257-5573 to register. The fee for the class is \$25 and must be paid in advance.

GROUNDS FOR DISCUSSION -- COFFEE WITH COLLEAGUES

Join us on January 22, 2014, 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. for this monthly educational and networking event for Green Industry professionals and local gardeners. Sal Ramirez and Bill Stieve from Vira Grow will speak on: "Environmental Benefits of Using Organics." The January meeting will be held at University of Nevada Cooperative Extension, 8050 Paradise Road, Las Vegas, NV 89123 in Classrooms B & C — use side gate to enter. Coffee and Refreshments will be available. To register or for more information contact 'Chelle Reed at (702) 257-5536 or reedc@UNCE.unr.edu.