



University of Nevada  
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# Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada

## *October 2016* Community Newsletter

### OCTOBER 2016 CALENDAR

**Lots going on this month! Join the Master Gardeners at these community venues.**

**COOPERATIVE EXTENSION DEMONSTRATION GARDENS** Three acre botanical garden at 8050 Paradise Rd., Las Vegas 89123 featuring 1300 species of desert-adapted plants that are identified by botanical and common names. Specialty plantings include: Roses, Milkweeds, Herbs, Vegetables, Fruit Orchard, Native Wash, Cacti. Open to the public weekdays, 8-4:30. Master Gardeners are available from 9-3 at 702-257-5555.

### OCTOBER "IN THE GARDENS"

The Master Gardeners invite guests to visit with them on their monthly work days "IN THE GARDENS." Meet under the shade structure in the gardens. Volunteers will answer questions and demonstrate proper seasonal plant care techniques.

**HERB GARDEN -- Wednesday, October 26, 9 a.m.** – harvesting and planting of cool season herbs

**ROSE GARDEN -- Mondays, October 10 and 24, 9 a.m.** – final preparations for the last "rose flush" of the season

**MONARCH/MILKWEED GARDEN -- Monday, October 3, 1 p.m.** – the monarch migration is underway and some are already visiting our 26 different species of milkweed

**VEGETABLE TRIALS GARDEN – Thursday, October 13, 10 a.m.** – what we're planting/harvesting now

**ORCHARD -- Tuesday, October 11, 8:30 a.m.** – pruning deciduous fruit trees

### CHILDREN'S (VEGETABLE) GARDEN

**Tuesdays, October 4, 11, 18, 25, 9 a.m.** – seasonal maintenance of the vegetable and fruit plots.

**Saturdays, October 8 and 22, 9 a.m.** – Junior Master Gardeners – teaching children where food comes from

### GUIDED TOURS

**Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m.** – "Fall is for Planting" – find plants to spruce up your yard!

**Fridays, at 10 a.m.** – overview tour of the various garden areas

**COOPERATIVE EXTENSION RESEARCH CENTER AND MG ORCHARD** Fruit and vegetable gardens at 4600 Horse Drive, North Las Vegas, 89131. Freshly picked **seasonal produce** (fees) plus free mulch. Master Gardeners offer guided tours and gardening advice.

- Open to the public on **Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 8 a.m. – noon.**

**ACACIA PARK IN HENDERSON** at 50 Casa Del Fuego St, Henderson 89012 Free **Classes from 9-11 a.m.** on Saturdays in October. Register on-line: <http://www.cityofhenderson.com/henderson-happenings>.

- **October 1, 2016 -- Let it Rot - Composting 101 by Master Gardener Kristy McKumby-Hyland**

Composting is possible in a desert environment. There are many ways to manage your compost safely and efficiently. Learn the basics of composting and different ways in which to compost. This is a great way to use kitchen waste as a free family project and good for your garden as well.

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## ACACIA PARK (continued)

- **October 8, 2016 -- Fertilizer, Weeds, and Insects – Master Gardener TBD**

You do not need harmful chemicals to control your garden and yard pests. Nothing is more frustrating than weeds and insects that destroy your landscape or garden. What should one do to add nutrients to the soil for gorgeous plants and still have a safe landscape for the family and pets. Learn to scout your yard to control these problems before they become a costly fix.

- **October 15, 2016 -- Palms, Succulents and Cactus by Master Gardener Howard Galin**

You can see a variety of Palms in the Las Vegas Valley and wonder how they would look in your yard. It is more important to know how much work they will require, how long are they expected to live and what kind of maintenance is required. You can grow different succulents in our area also.

- **October 22, 2016 -- How to Winterize your Yard by Master Gardener Jodi Starkey**

Winter will be here soon. Here in the desert we sometimes experience colder winter winds and freezing temperatures that can harm our homes and landscapes. Now is the time to learn some simple techniques to protect your plants, trees, landscape and pipes.

**CORA COLEMAN SENIOR CENTER** at 2100 Bonnie Lane, LV 89156. For information call 702-455-7617.

- **October 7, 11:15 a.m. -- Preparing your Yard for Winter by Garden by Master Gardener Howard Galin**

We don't get snow, but it gets cold! Tips on protecting cold sensitive plants.

**INSPIRADA COMMUNITY CENTER** at 2000 Via Firenze, Henderson 89044. Reserve a space by emailing [mwojciechowicz@ccmcnet.com](mailto:mwojciechowicz@ccmcnet.com). Classes with limited enrollment may be cancelled by Inspirada.

- **October 10 at 6:15 p.m. -- Winterizing your Garden by Master Gardener Howard Galin**

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## FREE BILINGUAL LANDSCAPE TRAINING SERIES OFFERED

Cooperative Extension is offering a series of free, bilingual landscape training classes for new and experienced landscape workers. The series continues into October with

- . Oct. 4 -- Hands-on Pruning;
- . Oct. 11 -- Soils and Fertilizers in southern Nevada; and
- . Oct. 18 -- Pesticide Safety.

The training also includes materials focusing on improving English and math skills, meeting job expectations, paying attention to details, and safety/worker protection topics (lifting techniques, PPE and industry safety standards). All classes are taught at the Cooperative Extension (8050 Paradise Rd., LV 89123) from 5:30-8:30 p.m. The classes will be in Spanish and in English.

To reserve your spot in these free classes, email or call Chelle Reed (English) at 702-257-5536, or email or call Marcel Fernando (Spanish) at 702-275-5580. Registration is available online through Eventbrite.com.

For more info click on link: [Grow Your Knowledge and Skills](#)

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