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Announcements and news for ISU Extension Master Gardeners, staff, and faculty

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SUBMITTING VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS – ATTENTION COUNTY OFFICES

The time to submit Master Gardener volunteer service hours is fast approaching. On or before December 31, please send one email to James Romer ([jromer@iastate.edu](mailto:jromer@iastate.edu)) with a list of those who have contributed hours, their totals, grand total of volunteer service hours for your county, and a brief description of the major projects completed or on going. Please do not mail any hard copies of individual records. Please file those in the county office for future reference. Last year we had almost 89,000 volunteer service hours submitted. With your help, I'm sure we can set a new record!

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ADVANCED MASTER GARDENER TRAINING

Many of you asked for it, and we are happy to announce that plans are being made to hold an Advanced Training for Master Gardeners in July of 2008. The focus of the subject matter will be centered on plants and plant diseases. Are you interested? If so, please send me an email ([jromer@iastate.edu](mailto:jromer@iastate.edu)). Don't miss out on what will be a great experience!

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2009 INTERNATIONAL MASTER GARDENER CONFERENCE

The Master Gardeners of Southern Nevada invite you to join us in Las Vegas from March 22-26 for the 2009 International Master Gardener Conference.

Attached is some general information on our conference, including the hotel and conference theme, New Frontiers in Horticulture and Gardening.

Starting in January 2008 we will be adding confirmed information on

speakers, tours and things to do to our website:  
[www.unce.unr.edu/imgc](http://www.unce.unr.edu/imgc). We will begin on-line registration and hotel reservations in Summer 2008. The Alexis Park Resort is lovely, and we will have it all to ourselves check out [www.alexispark.com](http://www.alexispark.com).

We have not yet finalized our registration fee we are still seeking sponsors to keep the cost as low as possible.

We look forward to welcoming you all to Las Vegas. If you have never been here before, it may surprise you. We have more cacti than casinos and more sagebrush than showgirls in other words, there's a lot more than The Strip!

Please contact me if you have any questions or suggestions.

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