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Market Brings Small Town Feel to Big City Celebrate Modern-day Victory Gardens June 20 at Winchester Park

During the two World Wars, Victory Gardens not only boosted the community food supply, they increased morale for neighbors and families. With the decreased economy, the increased popularity of private gardens continues to grow, especially since First Lady Michelle Obama planted the first garden at the White House since the Roosevelt administration. Residents can reap the rewards of local, modern-day Victory Gardens as Winchester Cultural Center hosts the Backyard Farmers' Market and Antique Show from 8 a.m. to noon on June 20 in the center's park located at 3130 S. McLeod Drive. Admission is free.

"Farm fresh" eggs, fruit, vegetables, Pete's Wheatgrass, Indian fry bread and corn, raw honey and free Starbucks coffee will be available. Produce will be offered for sale from Southern Nevada communities including the Las Vegas Valley, Sandy Valley, Logandale, the Sweet Tomato Test Garden and the Master Gardener Orchard.

Master Gardener Don Fabbi will offer free gardening tips while local vendors provide antiques for sale. Antique experts also will be on hand to provide appraisals for \$1 per item.

This Clark County Centennial edition of the Backyard Farmers' Market and Antique Show celebrates the history of the Victory Garden and encourages residents to grow food locally. The market provides an opportunity to see produce grown in excess of a family's need. To sell produce at the market, a grower must have a producer's certificate from the state of Nevada and must register in advance.

Entertainment for the market will be provided by the Guitar Society of Las Vegas, Native American dancers and the Winchester Youth Choir. At 2 p.m. the Winchester Theater will host a performance by the New West Guitar Trio. Tickets for the concert are \$12 for general admission, \$10 for seniors and students.

Those interested in the Backyard Farmers' Market and Antique Show can call the Winchester Cultural Center at 455-7340.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 15th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to more than 2 million citizens and 44 million visitors a year. Included are the nation's 7th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The county also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to almost 900,000 residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development. In 2009, Clark County celebrates a "century of service."