

## **Timely Tip for August Gardeners at Cornelius Nursery:**

Bring on the Heat- Summer Color!

During the summer months, re-vitalize your garden beds. Fertilizing, pruning, new mulch and fresh plantings can all bring your flower beds back to life!

Fresh color is still available at Cornelius in larger sizes for an instant impact. Celosia, Vinca (Periwinkle), Lantana and Purslane are all good, reliable summer bloomers. Plant these directly into beds or containers to replace flowers which have reached their prime. Add Calloway's Flower Food, a slow release fertilizer, and you will not have to fertilize for two months. Keep old blooms trimmed off to encourage repeat blooming. Add a new layer of mulch to flower beds and to containers to lessen evaporation and keep the soil cooler. Color abounds even in the heat of summer!

We are hosting several opportunities for design help during the month of August. Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at our Dairy Ashford store, a small group Design Class will be held. Space is limited but your spot can be held by pre-registering at [www.mytexasgarden.com](http://www.mytexasgarden.com) and click on eStore. A one-on-one design consultation will be held on Saturday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at our Dairy Ashford store. For more information and to register for one or both, go to [www.mytexasgarden.com](http://www.mytexasgarden.com).