



Gaillardia  
(asteraceae)



Daylily "Red Velvet"  
(hemerocallis)

## *July in the Conejo Valley Botanic Garden*

*In June, the garden suffered a very sad loss. Our volunteer and member Tom Wade passed away. Tom suffered a massive heart attack at his home while working in his garden. Tom joined the Conejo Valley Botanic Garden as a volunteer and member in 2009. Tom was instrumental in getting the propagation group moving forward and expanding the garden's plant sales to a weekly event at the 'Kids' Adventure Garden on Sundays. Tom was also the motivating force in the monthly bulletins and monthly garden speakers program of the first Saturday of the month. All of us at the garden will truly miss Tom and his friendly smile and energy. Such a loss to all of us who knew him.*

*CVBG Board of Directors*

### *REMEMBERING TOM WADE*

*Donations for a memorial in the Conejo Valley Botanic Garden in memory of Tom Wade may be made out and sent to Conejo Valley Botanic Garden, PO Box 6614, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359.*



The Kids' Adventure Garden is in full bloom this month. The Gaillardia with its daisy like flowers in warm colors-yellow, bronze, scarlet. They thrive in heat, need good drainage. In the same area with the Gaillardias are the Daylily "Red Velvet." Yellow and deep bronze in color. This area makes a splash of beautiful color against a flower bed of bright blue. Hours in the KAG are Sunday from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## **BLOW OUT PLANT SALE (Kids' Adventure Garden)**

Sunday July 11  
11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### **Want to Help us Grow?**

Do you love Conejo Valley Botanic Garden and would like to help, but just don't have the time to volunteer? Even though much of the work you see going on in the garden is done by volunteers, we still have expenses for planting, heavy pruning and new improvements. These projects are funded through grants and donations from the community. If you would like to help us grow, tax deductible donations are always welcome and may be made out and sent to Conejo Valley Botanic Garden, PO Box 6614, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359. Thanks for all your support!

### **Conejo Valley Botanic Garden Needs You!**

The Garden is managed and maintained by community volunteers. Without your help, the garden cannot thrive. None of the volunteer positions at CVBG has a minimum number of volunteer hours attached. If you can help for a few hours a month, great! For more information on any of our volunteer opportunities, please go to our web site at [www.conejogarden.org](http://www.conejogarden.org) and click "Volunteers."

#### **WE CURRENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS:**

**Assistant to the Volunteer Coordinator:** Help recruit new volunteers and match them with garden jobs they might enjoy.

**Adopt A Garden:** We have an ongoing need for volunteers to join the teams working in our theme gardens. Days and hours are flexible so give us a call.

**Garden Nursery:** There is no better way to learn about California native and water wise plants than to join the teams working in the propagation and sales nurseries.

**The Kids Adventure Garden:** KAG is open from 11:00 to 3:00 each Sunday. Docents welcome families to the garden, answer questions and ensure everyone is safe and has fun. You will train with an experienced Docent. You can sign up for one shift a month or as many as you want. Contact Jean Reiley at 805 374 8255.

**Community Outreach and fundraising:** Do you have experience in advertising or fundraising? We need volunteers with ideas on developing community outreach programs and fundraising.

**For information and directions to the garden, visit our web site at [www.conejogarden.org](http://www.conejogarden.org).**

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