

BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS AUGUST 2006 ISSUE HIGHLIGHTS

-Better Homes Gardens Editors Available for Interviews-

Endless Summer -- Page 23

Celebrate summer year-round with *Better Homes and Gardens* beach-inspired decorating ideas; try a beach chaise patterned wall hanging instead of a headboard, give plain candles a tropical makeover or create centerpieces reminiscent of the sea.

5-Minute Flowers -- Page 98

Why spend money at the florist when you can make your own simple, quick floral arrangements for less, using flowers right from your backyard? Let *Better Homes and Gardens* show you how to use those hydrangeas, geranium leaves and zinnias in bouquets that will fool any guest.

Preserving Herbs -- Page 108

When your garden fills with more herbs than you can handle, why not freeze or dry them? *Better Homes and Gardens* shows the best herbs to preserve, like oregano, mint and sage, and how to preserve them for cool autumn nights.

Back to School Stylin' -- Page 112

It's that time of the year again- back to school shopping. Help your kids, from pre-schoolers to tweens, look and feel good this school year with age-appropriate styles. Get tips on encouraging personal hygiene with your young ones and how to deal with your tween daughter who wants her own makeup.

Booking It Across the Country -- Page 124

Looking for a fun road trip with your child that will stimulate their imagination, create new memories and encourage them to read? This month, instead of another amusement park, why not visit the home of a beloved writer or check out the places that inspired favorite stories? *Better Homes and Gardens* offers suggestions, like Dr. Seuss's home or the Laura Ingles Wilder's digs.

Before They Go Abroad -- Page 130

With more college students choosing to study abroad for a semester or year, learn how to choose a destination together, make sure your child is safe and ensuring they keep in touch while away.

Your Best Summer Weekend -- Page 144

The final installment in the three-month series, *Better Homes and Gardens* has the information you need on spicing up plain lemonade, taking a weekend motorcycle trip and getting the most out of your sleep.

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