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Hello Ladies,

I am really excited about this upcoming year and can't wait to get started! Our first meeting of the year will be on the August 19th at Chubbies at 6:30 p.m. I plan on keeping this meeting as quick as possible, as school starts back for many of our kids the following day. However, if you have the time, let's plan on getting a bite to eat and enjoying each other's company for a bit! I've missed you guys!

Heritage Day is right around the corner so we need to discuss what we'll be doing to raise money this year. We're hoping that without as many out-of-pocket expenses, we'll see a bigger reward for our work after this year's event.

Volunteers. We need some!! The following Departments desperately need Chairs:
Arts & Home Life

We also need individuals willing to help out on every department.

Also, anyone interested in getting a scrapbook together for us would be appreciated. How fun would it be to look back and see what we've accomplished throughout the years?

I'm truly so proud of us and what we do as a club to contribute to our community. I'm honored to be your President for the next two years and know that together we **can** make a difference – *and have a blast doing it!*

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you Tuesday!

Karla

Upcoming Events and Important Dates

August 19 Meeting @ 6:30 p.m. at Chubbies
*Be thinking about the Department or Committee on which you'd like to volunteer!

Department News



International Affairs

Erika Outlaw

I've been researching possible new projects for this year and through a friend found out about the CSC Scania Burn Clinic. It is the only one run by the coalition forces that provides care directly to the Iraqi people. The clinic is staffed by US Army medical providers and medics but can only use donated supplies.

The clinic exclusively treats patients under 19 years old who have sustained severe, potentially life-threatening burns from domestic accidents. Primitive heating and cooking devices such as kerosene heaters, kerosene clay pot stoves and ovens, and open fire pits routinely fail causing catastrophic burns to people who are close by. 100% of the supplies needed to treat these children are donated by the American public. In the next few months, I'd like to go over possibly donating burn salves and bandages to this clinic for our International project.

Source-
<http://www.elks810.com/Documents/Docs2Post/CSC%20Scania%20Burn%20Clinic.doc>

Conservation

Gardening Tips for August



Plants in Flower

Crapemyrtle, Rose-of-Sharon, Peegee Hydrangea, Abelia, Canna, Dahlia, Trumpet Creeper, Cardinal Flower, Butterfly Weed, Phlox, Cleome, Hosta, Liriope and summer annuals

Fertilizing

-Strawberries will benefit from a feeding of nitrogen fertilizer this month.
-Do NOT fertilize shrubs in August, September, October or November.

Planting

-Plant pansy seed this month in flats for planting in the landscape in September.
-Sow seed of the following perennials: hollyhock, delphinium and stokesia to produce healthy plants for next spring.
-Plant the following fall vegetable plants this month: beets, Chinese cabbage, cucumber, kale, kohlrabi, lettuce, mustard, radish, rutabaga, spinach, squash and turnip.

Pruning

Do not prune shrubs in August, September, or October.

Spraying

-Spray the following landscape shrubs for the

following insect pests: arborvitae and juniper (spider mites), azalea and pyracantha (lace bug).

-Spray the following fall vegetables for insects: broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower (worms), squash (borers).
-Continue weekly sprays on bunch grapes and tree fruits. .

Propagation

Cuttings of your favorite shrubs can still be taken in August.

Arts Department



The North Carolina Museum of Art in Raleigh will be having Family Fun Saturdays 10 a.m.–noon.

Kids and adults will delight in creating projects, discovering one another's creativity, and learning about art together. A different theme each week means there's always something new to explore. Plus, participants will build a wonderful collection of take-home art. Registration required: (919) 664-6828. Admission is free.

Please visit
<http://ncartmuseum.org/events/children.shtml> for more information.