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~ ~ **from the PRESIDENT**

By the time we are all reading this edition of the Vine, summer will be upon us, finally. I'm sure many of you are now busy in your gardens and planning summer trips. I am still in the process of creating my garden and am currently trying to train a very active one-year old poodle. In spite of the busy lives we all lead, I hope there will be time for you to attend our July meeting. It is always good to visit with

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painting friends and share what we have been doing. **Elizabeth Leese** has planned a program that should interest us all.

Our Spring Major Workshop was well attended. Joanne McVay is a very fine teacher and we were privileged to have her here for six days. I hope some of you who finished your pieces (or nearly did) will bring them to the meeting for a show and tell. We purchased seven patterns from her to add to our library, so be sure to check them out.

As you will see elsewhere in the Vine, we have a mini workshop coming up in October. You will also read from our Vice President, **Bess Crawford**, about our new approach to the mini workshops. I hope all of you who may have an idea for a class and/or who would like to get your feet wet teaching a first class, will call **Bess**.

Judy Ritger will once again be with us for our fall Major Workshop that will this year be in Oregon. Those of you who were not able to attend her last one might want to consider attending this time. She is an excellent instructor and there is much to learn from her.

And I would like to encourage more of you to sell your work. WRA, as an organization, does not sponsor sales but there are several out there during the year, and several WRA members join together to rent a booth at these sales. Newcomers are always welcome. If you are interested in any of the venues you can contact **Lois Clauson**, **Betty Edwards**, or me.

See you all in July,

~ ~ **Kay**

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