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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Rosemalers,

Island/Snohomish County regional chairman Nina Kurrle arranged a wonderful summer luncheon meeting at her Camano Island home. Members brought unusual salads--one made with lentils and at least 2 with edible flowers! Nina provided a beautiful tray of roasted cold turkey and the dessert table was overflowing. It was almost like being on a cruise ship!

Members were encouraged to bring examples of the Valdres style. We enjoyed an amazingly diverse collection of about 20 different pieces. The artists each entertained us with information about their pieces. We asked a lot of questions as we passed the items around the room. We all agreed that this was a very informative meeting.

We were so pleased to see folks from Whidbey Island, Edmonds and Burlington just to mention a few northern Washington outposts of true rosemalers. Seattle and even some south sound members had planned mini-vacations that brought them to the beautiful Camano Island area in time for the meeting. Thank you all for making the trip and sharing your rosemaling. You couldn't find a nicer group of people to spend a Sunday afternoon with.

Our Kitsap County chairman, Lois Clauson and her committee have been busy putting together our next meeting in Bremerton on October 13th. It's a great opportunity to visit your old friends, make some new friends and learn something about rosemaling to boot!

— Gro Marit Kleitsch

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