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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Going to the summer WRA meeting last year was a lot of fun for me. Sharing the time with other car-poolers allowed an opportunity for more extended conversation than has been possible at the meetings. Between admiring rosemaling projects, being lured by new wood pieces and eating yummy food, there doesn't seem to be much time for real conversation. But waiting on ferries created the benefit of a relaxed time for visiting with my fellow painters. Sure, the trip took up the whole day, but I seldom get anything else done on a WRA meeting day, anyway. Besides, it was a lovely day to be outside enjoying our beautiful Northwest. So I hope I can encourage those of you "down South" and in Seattle to venture up to Whidbey for our July 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting. I'm sure you'll enjoy seeing Sigmund Arseth in action and **Elizabeth** may once again enlist her DON sisters who helped provide plenty of good food to eat last year. So few of our events seem to be held up north that this is our effort to respect that segment of our membership.

Unfortunately, I will be painting in Romania of that day. It won't be rosemaling; it will be with a bigger brush on a Habitat for Humanity house, but I will be thinking of you. **Marlene**, our VP, will be traveling all the way from Shelton, so I hope you'll show her your support by attending and having a great day!

~~ Inga

p.s. We are always looking for new places for meetings and workshops. If you have a suggestion, send me the information, including a contact person and phone number.

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