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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Golly, I can't believe that summer is over already! I hope you have been able to enjoy the lovely weather as much as I have. Perhaps now the cooler days and rainy nights will once again paint my lawn green and hopefully I will paint a couple of those rosemaling projects that have been sitting untouched all summer. Everyone stays so busy that it's easy to postpone painting because other responsibilities seem more important. But when we take the time to pick up the brushes, we realize how important it can be for one's mental health. Not only do we get a sense of accomplishment, but we detach ourselves from all the day-to-day worries and woes for a while. So, as the days get shorter and darker, let's make a point to set aside some time for ourselves by painting. The holiday season will be upon us before we know it! October seems to present a window of opportunity.

I'm going to hang that paragraph on my mirror so that I'll have to look at it every morning after I get back in town. But first I'll fly to Paris for twelve days (yes, life is rough – ho ho). Then it's catch-up time with mail and bills and checking on Mom and social commitments and the WRA October meeting and, and, and... You see, I was really talking to myself as much as to you! You have a president who hasn't painted since last Spring! So, DO AS I SAY, NOT AS I DO. And I'll try to do better, too. Really I will, I hope...

There was a very nice report in the Vesterheim Rosemaling Letter about our July meeting and the Juried Show. A special thanks to whomever took the initiative to send that in!

— Inga

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