May 16th: General Meeting - Nordic Heritage Museum May 28 - 31st: Folklife Festival, Seattle Center August 12th: Board Meeting August 20th: Vine Deadline September 16th: General Meeting, Tacoma, Pacific Lutheran Cultural Center

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General Meeting: From I-5 take Exit at 85th NE, go west to 32nd Ave. NW. Turn left and continue to 67th St. NE and turn left. The museum is an old brick school building, unlabeled on the backside. Parking is plentiful on the playground.

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President's Message

Spring has finally "Sprung", thank goodness. It has been a long wet winter. One good thing, it was too wet to garden and that left me with more time for what I really like to do, PAINT.

April 17th will find us responsible for serving beverages and demonstrating Rosemaling at the Heritage Festival at Pacific Lutheran University Cultural Center in Tacoma. In May we are looking forward to participating in the Folk Life Festival in Seattle.

Registration for our Major Workshop with **Judy Ritger** is going well and we are looking forward to what I'm sure will be an informative and productive class.

As with all workshops we need your support to make them successful. Our Chairmen are attempting to offer us a variety of learning experiences. Each teacher provides an opportunity to learn something new, be it technique, style, or color.

The raffle will be our main fund raiser this year. Please contact Elizabeth Estep or Bernice Coleman for tickets and sell, sell, sell (or Buy?).

We all have busy time ahead but, PLEASE TAKE TIME TO SMELL THE ROSES. WRA President

Lois Clauson

Sunshine News

Barbara Hazen passed along the following news: Wilda Snider had some severe heart problems

compounded by pneumonia. She recuperated at Crista Rehabilitation Center, and has now moved to her own apartment there. We know she'll feel better now that spring has arrived.

Roberta Morrow lost her husband recently. She moved to Edmonds from California in the last year. Our

thoughts and prayers are with Roberta and her children. Marilyn Olin had surgery recently, we wish her a speedy

recovery.

April 1999

1999 WRA Raffle

Our 1999 raffle piece is here. **Irene LaMont**, Vesterheim Gold Medal winner from EauClaire Wisconsin has painted a lovely Bible box in Os antique red design, which is the raffle prize. The front cover of the box has a bound edge design, and the inside cover has a painted picture of a small building with flowers. The box measures 12" across, 14" tall and 3-1/2" in height. The inside space will accommodate a book 10" x 12-1/2" x 2-1/2".

Raffle committee Co-Chairs hinted raffle tickets will be available at the May WRA meeting. We hope members will pick up tickets to sell at the many summer activities and sales. If you can't make the meeting:

> To order tickets: Elizabeth Estep (360-668-6482) 9111 164th St. SE Snohomish, WA 98296

Please send your money, stubs & unsold tickets to: Bernice Coleman (360-568-3821) 5902 171st Ave. SE Snohomish, WA 98290

We have a big supply of tickets, a beautiful prize for the lucky winner, so let's all help to make this our most successful raffle ever!

If you would like a counter-size poster with a photograph, please contact Bernice.

Elizabeth Estep & Bernice Coleman, Raffle Committee Co-Chairs.