



## 2014 Officers

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## WRA Meeting, January 18, 2014

*Nordic Heritage Museum*

**BOARD: 12:00 LUNCH: 12:30 MEETING: 1:15**

**KING COUNTY members are reminded to bring a tasty dish to share with all!**

**Address/Directions: 3014 NW 67<sup>th</sup> Seattle, WA**

**Go west from I-5 on 45<sup>th</sup> /Market to 32<sup>nd</sup>. North to 68<sup>th</sup>. Right and then right into parking lot.**

**Program: Full business mtg & opportunity to discuss WRA future**

**PLEASE remember to mail in you ballot!!**

## From the President

Reflecting on the last two years.

While serving as president of an organization, I strive to not just preserve the status quo, but bring a new dynamic into the picture whenever possible. Looking over the last two years, I think we managed to do that....some intentional, and some serendipitous. Here are the highlights of our extraordinary activities from 2012-2014.

We donated \$500 to Vesterheim for the Sigmund Aarseth endowment fund to bring rosemalers to teach there.

Julie Ann and crew continued with an exciting ongoing project: digitizing our history for PLU's library.

Took on a new project with a Sons of Norway Lodge: Several members painted boards to trim the windows of Fritjov Lodge in Stanwood.

We purchased Sigmund's last book for our library: Roberta set up a WRA page on Facebook: Sharon O'Hara gave us a collection of unfinished wood that various members took for a donation. The funds collected went back to Sharon for her favorite charity. (continued page 2)

**The Acanthus Vine is published 4 times a year approximately two weeks prior to the coming meeting. News items that any member deems interesting or beneficial to our members is welcome. If you have e-mail, send as Word Doc attached to e-mail to Pat Smaaladen, or surface mail to return address on this Vine.**