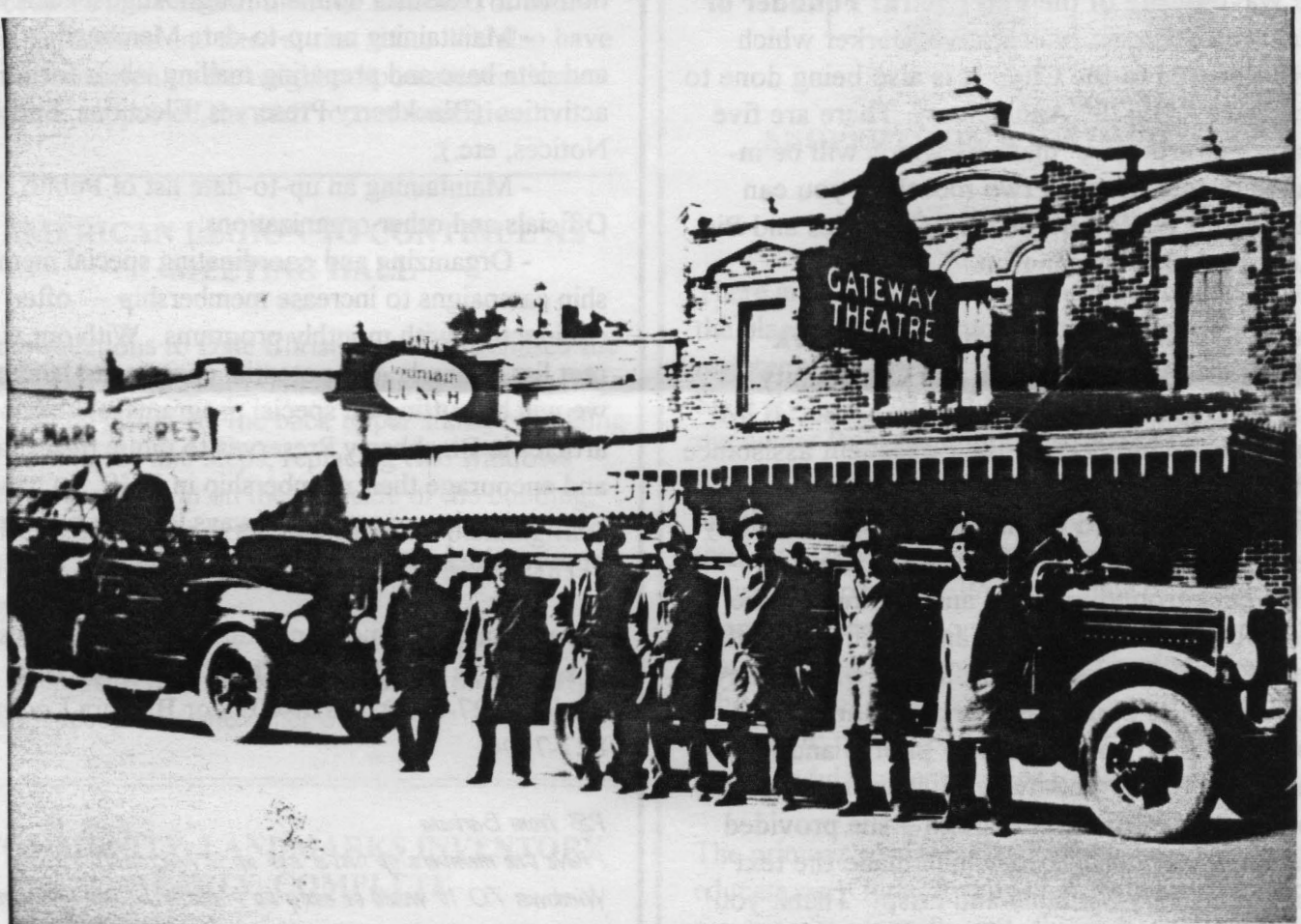


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The Journal of the
Kirkland Heritage Society



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ON CENTRAL WAY IN 1929
WITH THEIR NEW AMERICAN LAFRANCE TRUCK



Kirkland Heritage Society

AUGUST PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by
Bob Burke

Be sure to attend the dedication on August 27th at the Waverly site of the **Peter Kirk: Founder of Kirkland** Historic Interpretive Marker which KHS donated to the City. It is also being done to recognize KHS 20th Anniversary. There are five historic interpretive markers which will be installed during the next two months – you can learn about Peter Kirk as well as Ferries and Pig Races on Lake Washington.

I want to thank **Marc Connelly** and **Mark Johnston** of the City Parks and Community Service Department for their help. Also, **JGM**, landscape architects, for their excellent assistance in the graphic layout of the markers. **Ernest McKibben** worked on the marker sponsored by the Rotary Club of Kirkland; **Alan Stein** provided background material and worked on the two sponsored by the City; and I worked on the Peter Kirk marker and coordinated with **Nancy Farrell** on the Shumway marker. **Barbara Loomis** found wonderful new photos and information on Carrie Shumway. I cannot thank **Lorraine McConaghy** enough – she provided that final, wonderful edit which made the text consistent, very readable and crisp! Thank you! Thank you! All!

Thanks also to **Vic Newhard** for taking over the operation of our booth at Summerfest! It was well organized and I think a great time was had by all who participated. Also thanks to **Melissa Nelson** who not only loaned us her booth but also helped put it up and take it down!

MEMBERSHIP CHAIR NEEDED

Barbara Loomis has been the Membership Chair of KHS for about three years and has indicated that she needs more time for her duties as Communication Officer and other Historic Preservation activities. At least three people have offered to help, but we need someone to have overall responsibility. The Chair of the Membership Committee meets with the Board monthly to coordinate with the activities of KHS. The primary duties of the Membership Committee are:

- Annual Membership Renewal and coordination with Treasurer (June through August each year);
- Maintaining an up-to-date Membership List and data base and preparing mailing labels for KHS activities (Blackberry Preserves, Elections, Special Notices, etc.);
- Maintaining an up-to-date list of Public Officials and other organizations;
- Organizing and coordinating special membership campaigns to increase membership — often in conjunction with monthly programs. With our current list of nearly 400 potential community landmarks, we will be putting on special programs and having articles in Blackberry Preserves to pique their interest and encourage their membership in KHS. In general, we need to have someone always looking out for opportunities to interest people in KHS.

If you would like more information or are interested in serving as Membership Chair, please call Bob Burke - 827-6550 or 828-4095 or Barbara Loomis - 827-7194.

P.S. from Barbara

I have the membership lists set up in Microsoft Access for Windows 7.0. It would be easy to transfer all the information to your computer if you have this same database or one that is compatible. Database knowledge is helpful but I can train you.

KHS AUGUST MEETING

August 27 at 6 pm at the Waverly Park Arch we will dedicate KHS's interpretive marker, **Peter Kirk: Founder of Kirkland**. Bring your family, your friends, a blanket and a picnic dinner to celebrate this momentous occasion. KHS will provide Sarsaparilla.

**PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING
COMMUNITY CHARACTER CHAPTER OF
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
AUGUST 14**

On August 14th the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Community Character Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan. We have been working with them and the Planning staff to strengthen the policies on historic preservation and to expand the list of properties which are officially recognized by the City. Eight structures and 2 sites were recommended to be added to the City's current list; the staff has recommended preparation of regulations and procedures this Fall and then the inclusion of additional structures and sites at that time. We also have sent information to the neighborhood associations and have supported the staff recommendation.

**AMERICAN LEGION TO CONTINUE AS
MEETING HALL**

Congratulations to Dale Christian who purchased the American Legion Hall!! He is going to upgrade the building by removing the back upper stairs, rebuilding the front porch and steps, replacing two windows which were filled in on the east side of the building, replacing the upper front windows and painting the building – retaining the Blue and Red “American Legion” sign.

His intent is to rent the building out for community groups, receptions and other events.

**COMMUNITY LANDMARKS INVENTORY
NEARLY COMPLETE**

387 Structures and 55 Sites Identified

KHS now has a data base of 442 properties which have the potential to be recognized as Community Landmarks. We have nearly completed obtaining the 1930's assessor records and taking a color photograph on each property. This is part of the informa-

tion which we have provided to the Planning Commission and also to neighborhood associations. Once we have organized all of the information by neighborhoods we will look for a sponsor to print documents for a wider audience. It will be about 800 to 1,000 pages long.



PROPERTY ON A HISTORIC LIST??

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

There are a number of misconceptions about what the placement of a structure on a historic list or register really means. Even being on the National or State Registers of Historic Places does not preclude the owner from painting the structure purple or tearing it down. At the local level, being recognized as a Kirkland Community Landmark - officially by the City – now means that your property will be reviewed through SEPA at the time of a development proposal or demolition permit request. At most this may delay the process for a short period of time; which may allow an alternative to save the structure; relocate it; preserve parts of it; or at least photograph and document it prior to demolition.

The primary purposes for doing these inventories is educational! First, it shows what potential historic resources there really are! Second, with that information, we can decide which are the most important and which only provide historical context. This allows us to develop regulations and incentives for property owners which will encourage the preservation of historically and architecturally significant community landmarks. It provides a basis to decide where historic interpretive markers should be placed.

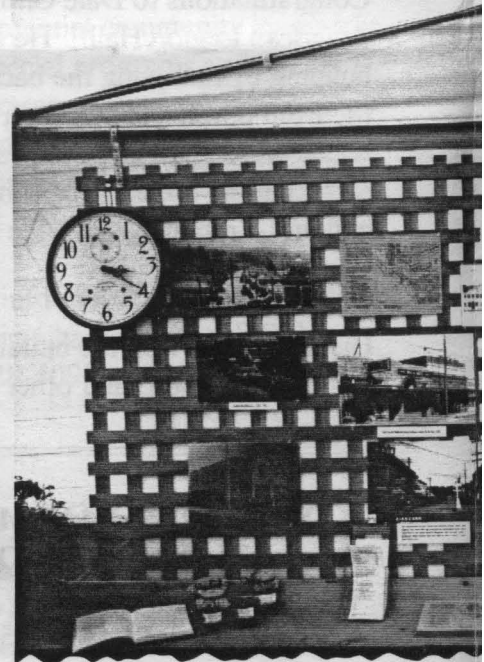
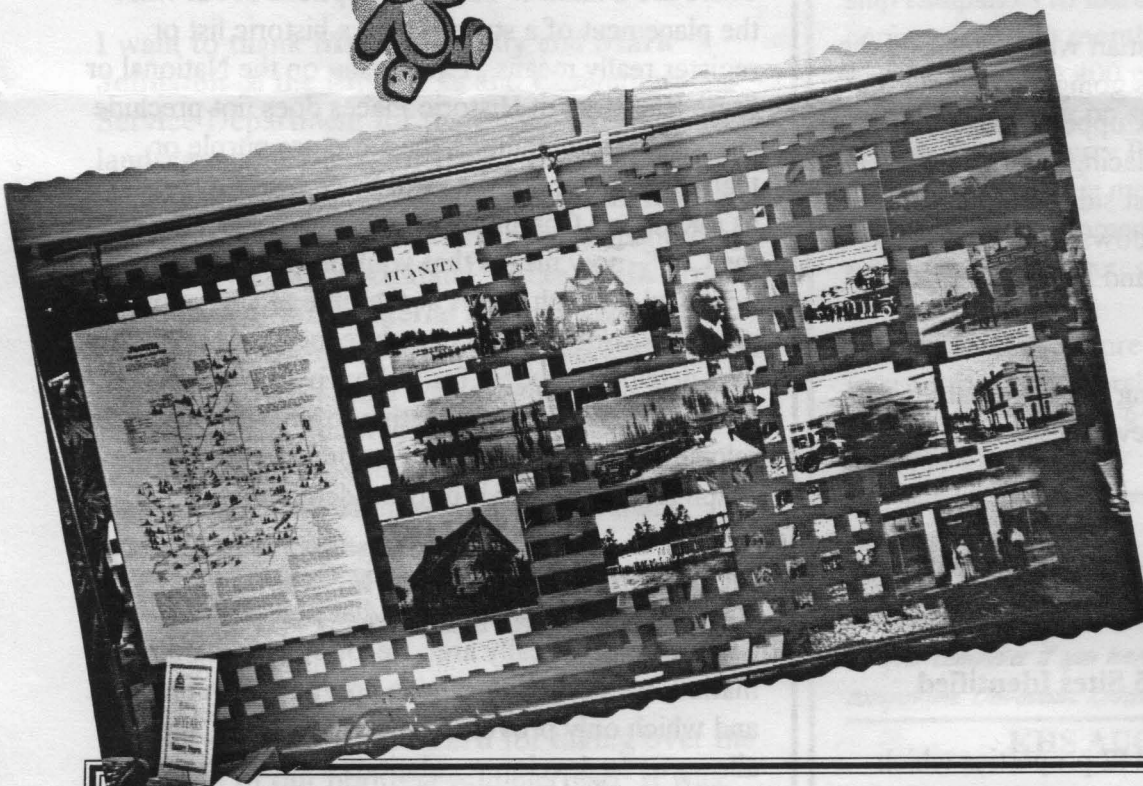
SUMMERFEST '97

by
Vic Newhard

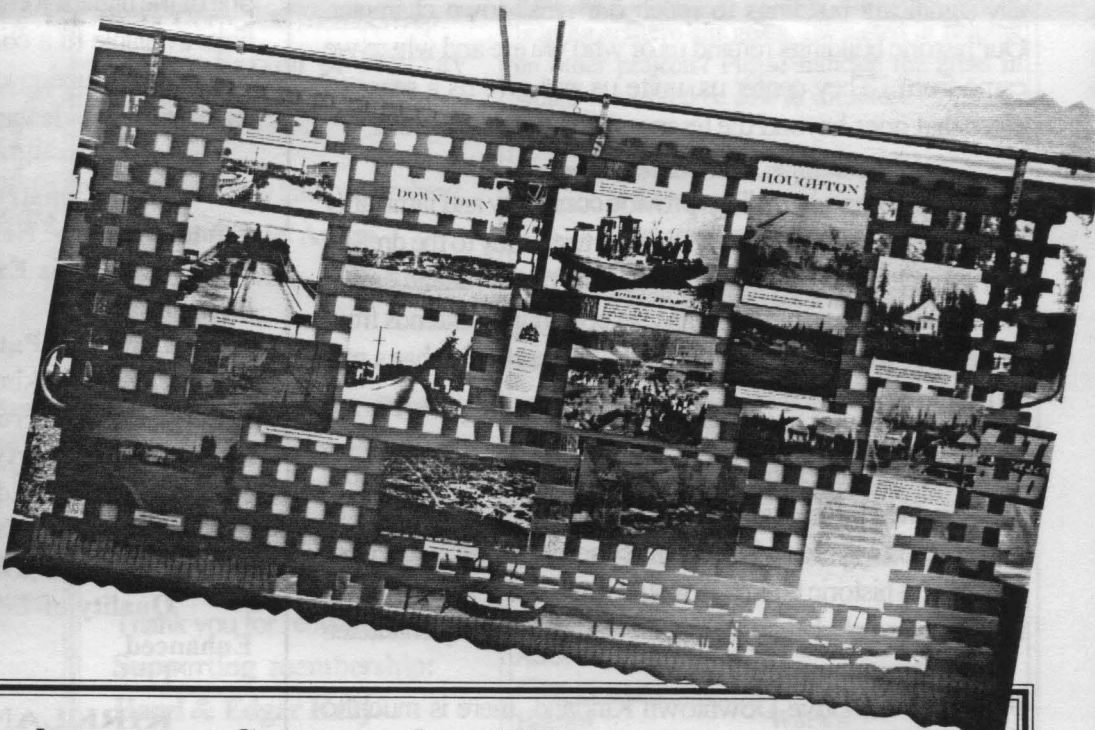
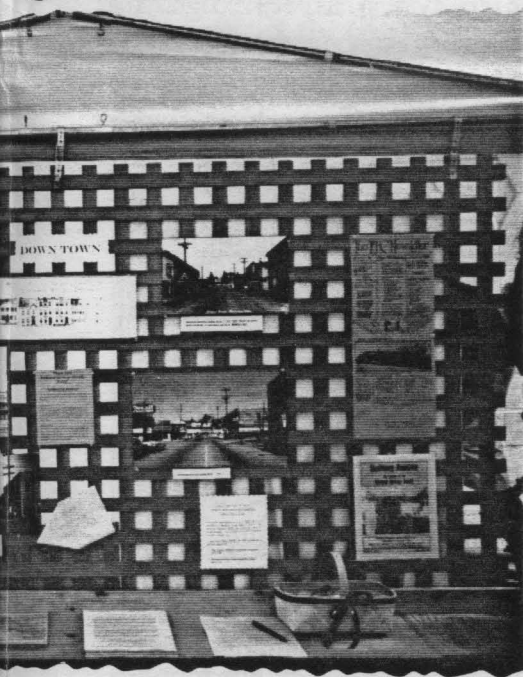
The fun and weather were outstanding for our booth at the Kirkland Summerfest - arts and crafts fair - on July 12th and 13th. There was a steady stream of people on Lake Street for both days. Many of them were given a map of the downtown area for a walking tour of 15 historic buildings which were marked with posters put up by Betsy Pringle and Bob Burke. The posters, map pages, booth display titles and main booth sign were done by our very talented Barbara Loomis and her computer. We had great success thanks to a beautiful booth loaned to us by Melissa Nelson, sales of many sample bottles of genuine blackberry preserves hand picked by Christian Brugman and put up by she and Barbara Loomis, and the raffle tickets for "Garcia" a retired Beanie Baby, very generously donated by Loita Hawkinson.

The kids went crazy for that little colorful doll and bought many tickets. The doll was won by two year old Jamie Doucerie. Sales of ice cold bottles of Sioux City Sarsaparilla went well (I bought at least seven bottles myself). It was interesting to see young people learning to open bottles, the old fashioned way, with the bottle opener on the end of the Coca Cola cooler. We ended up with gross revenues of just over \$300.00 and at least two new members.

The success we had would not have been possible without the many people you spent part of their weekend to help set up the booth, put up the many displays, both inside and outside, spend hours just being there to answer the many questions, sell "stuff", and at the end take it all apart. So thank you - **Christina Brugman, Bob Burke, Angie Eggers, Lynette Friberg, Loita and Dale Hawkinson, Barbara Loomis, Chet and Melissa Nelson, Betsy Pringle, Cathy Smith, Alan Stein and Laura Westlund.** My job as KHS Booth Chair was made easy and a lot of fun because of your dedication. I thank you all!!

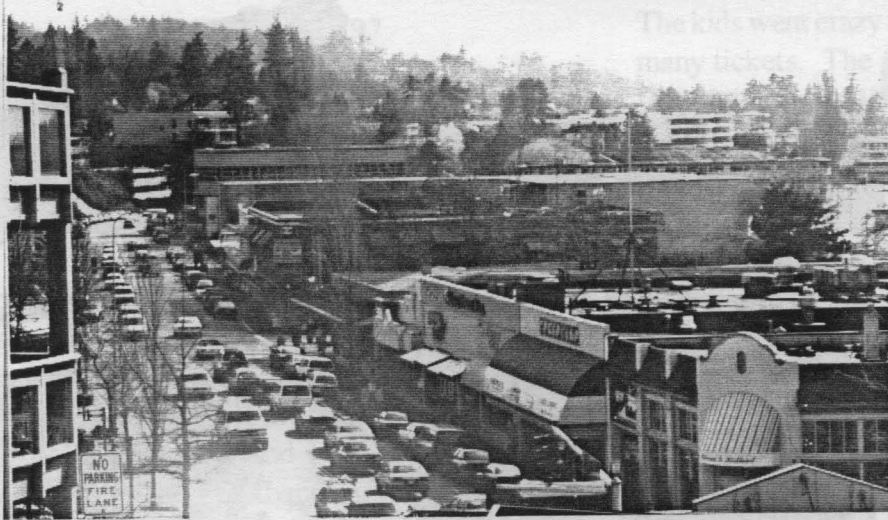


Summerfest 1997
Kirkland Heritage Society Booth



Fun in the sun at Summerfest '97
(Pictured: Vic Newhard, Barbara Loomis, Cathy Smith,
Loita Hawkinson, Betsy Pringle, Laura Westlund)





Unique
Historic
Downtown
Kirkland
1997
What makes us
different from
"anytown"
USA

**KIRKLAND'S HERITAGE:
WE'RE NO WHERE WITHOUT IT!**
by Betsy Pringle

**HERE, UNIQUE AMONGST ALL OTHER PLACES IN THE
WORLD, IS HISTORIC DOWNTOWN KIRKLAND!**

Few cities can match Kirkland's historic commitment to waterfront parks and the potential of our historic and architecturally significant buildings to retain our small-town character. Our historic buildings remind us of who we are and where we came from. They center us, unite us and give us a sense of place that goes beyond the temporal and the commercial.

Historic places and buildings provide continuity and familiarity in a rapidly changing world. As visible testimony to the dreams and struggles of others before us, historic places remind us that we are not alone – that the drama of community extends from yesterday - to today - to tomorrow – and each of us has a role to play in it.

To a large extent, Downtown Kirkland's appeal lies in her pedestrian-friendly scale and small-town atmosphere. If either of those aspects were to be lost, the context of her waterfront spaces and historic buildings would irrevocably suffer – eroding our sense of identity, continuity and community character.

For those who love Downtown Kirkland, there is much to celebrate. Her small-scale waterfront appeal and rich heritage have made her one of the area's most desirable places to live, work and socialize. It is no accident that so many of the businesses which are thriving downtown – JJJ's, the Roaster, Hector's and DaVinci's, to name a few – are housed in some of

Kirkland's most historic buildings. The galleries are here because our downtown has an atmosphere which is consistent with their business. Our challenge in the months and years ahead is to protect and to preserve those priceless and irreplaceable qualities that make Kirkland unique.

Preservation of Kirkland's historic elements makes sound economic sense in both the short and especially the long term. Dollar for dollar, historic preservation has been recognized as one of the highest job-generating economic development options available to a community. In addition to creating specialized construction jobs, the ripple effects of historic preservation can provide many other community benefits:

- **More Construction Dollars Stay in the Community — New Businesses Are Formed**
- **Tourism is Expanded — Private Investment is Stimulated**
- **Land Use Patterns Retain a Scale Which Encourages Walking and Shopping**
- **Revenues From Property and Sales Tax Increase - Property Values Increase**
- **Smaller Buildings Provide More Sunlight to the Street Which Encourages Walking**
- **Community Pride is Enhanced**
- **Quality of Life of the Entire Community is Enhanced**

**KIRKLAND'S HERITAGE IS
KIRKLAND'S FUTURE**

**Celebrate, Support and Preserve those
features of our Downtown which keep us
UNIQUE!**

CALENDAR

August 27, 6 pm

KHS Picnic and Dedication of Peter Kirk Interpretive Marker

Join us at Waverly Park near the Waverly School Archway for the dedication of the interpretive marker; Peter Kirk: Founder of Kirkland. This marker is donated by the KHS and is to commemorate our 20th Anniversary. Bring a blanket and dinner and we'll have a picnic in the park before the dedication at 7 pm. KHS will provide ice cold Sarsaparilla!

September 8

**Oral History Meeting
7:30 pm**

Christina Brugman's house: 11122 NE 132, call Christina 821-3605.

September 11

Woodinville Historical Society 7 pm

Kingsgate Library, 12315 NE 143rd, Kirkland, Call 827-7194

Magic Lantern Show

The Woodinville Historical Society has invited KHS to attend a program put on by Joe and Alice Cook. Magic Lanterns were the first slide projectors, projecting images from glass slides.

September 24

**KHS Board 6 pm
KHS Program 7 pm**

"Raise Hell and Sell Newspapers, Alden J. Blethen & The Seattle Times". Lorraine McConaghy will give a presentation about her recently published biography of Mr. Blethen. If you have a copy of her book bring it and she will of course autograph it.

Unless otherwise noted KHS meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month at 7pm, Kirkland Congregational Church, 106-5th Ave., Kirkland.

MEMBERSHIP by Barbara Loomis

Thank you for your quick response to renewing memberships. We are doing quite well with about 60 renewals so far.

Please remember that the mission of KHS is to identify historic resources; to encourage their preservation; to collect, preserve, exhibit and interpret the history and heritage of Kirkland and its people; and to promote public involvement in and appreciation of its heritage and cultures. These are some of the reasons to join and support KHS and we Thank you.

Welcome and Thank you for your Corporate membership:
Nancy Farrell of Murray Franklyn Inc.

Welcome new family members:
**Kelli & Daniel Adam
Dr. & Mrs. Kenneth
Drewelow**

Thank you for your Professional/Business renewal:
**Page & Beard Architecture
and Design P.S.**

Thank you for renewing with a Supporting membership:
**Hazel & Edgar Kelly
Laura Westlund**

Thank you for your renewals:
Jeanette & Glenn Carter

Scott & Shelly Douglas

Evie Florian

Krystal & Gary Gannaway

Myron & Marlene Lewis

Joan McBride

Bernard Peach

Cathy Smith

Nancy Stephens

Patricia Stupfel

MEMBERSHIP FORM

July 1, 1997 - June 30, 1998

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TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Your membership is the first important step in helping achieve our goals. Interested in helping on other projects? Please indicate the areas in which you would be able to volunteer.

Serve on a Standing Committee:

- _____ Archives and Collections
- _____ Education and Research
- _____ Membership and Funding
- _____ Planning and Historic Sites
- _____ Monthly Programs

Work on specific activity:

- _____ Exhibit at Community Events
- _____ Home Tour
- _____ Do Photography/Update Slides
- _____ Install Original Street Name Signs
- _____ Video on Kirkland History
- _____ School Education Program

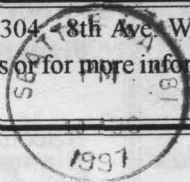
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Checks should be made payable and mailed to:
Kirkland Heritage Society, 304 - 8th Ave. W.,
Kirkland, WA 98033. Phone: (425) 827-7194



**AN OLD POSTCARD OF DOWNTOWN KIRKLAND
LOOKING SOUTH ON LAKE STREET ABOUT 1929**

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