

Blackberry Preserves

The Journal of the
Kirkland Heritage Society



**JUST LOOK AT ALL THE "ARCHITECTURE" ON THE
PETER KIRK BUILDING!**

DO YOU KNOW WHAT STYLE THIS IS?

COME FIND OUT AT OUR NEXT PROGRAM MAY 27

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Kirkland Heritage Society

MAY PRESIDENT'S LETTER

by
Bob Burke

Front Page Alan Stein!!

Be sure to check out Saturday, May 9th's Eastside Journal and the front page picture of Alan with an article on his research of the 1918 to 1975 East Side Journals and that the headlines are now "online" at:

www.bcc.ctc.edu/cpsa/esj

Well deserved recognition for Alan for all the years of effort he put into this project!! It is a wonderful resource. Alan was recently appointed to the AKCHO Board. We are asking for volunteers to do research to prepare histories of each neighborhood.

Lynette Friberg has resigned as Secretary. Her work schedule and living in the San Juan Islands has made it impossible for her to attend meetings. In addition to being Secretary, Lynette was the co-chair of the Historic Sites Committee and did much of the background research at the State Archives on identifying historic properties now being inventoried. Thank you Lynette, for all your good work and support of KHS!

Ernie Fortescue, photographer, was born in Kirkland and lived here until retiring to Wenatchee about 5 years ago. He has donated 33 photographs including exterior and interior shots of the Fort Jackson - the American Legion boat at 2nd Street. Also, the charter dated May 31, 1934 of Troop #451 which was sponsored by the Warren O'Grimm Post, American Legion #83. Ernie's father was the Scoutmaster. The Troop Committee contains some familiar names: Irving Gates was the Chairman, with David Burr, J.B. Reese, and E.C. McKibben as members. Assistant Scoutmasters were: T.W. Mason, Maurice A. Larson and Glenn G. Eagon.

Ernie said he will keep looking for other pictures of Kirkland. Look for the Ernest Fortescue display at this year's SummerFest in our new booth.

We are having a work part on Sunday, May 31st to organize our photographs and to place them in archival materials. It is absolutely amazing the new information we have obtained from Ernie's photos. If you have, or know of people who have old photographs of Kirkland, please let us make copies to preserve them for future generations to use for research and to enjoy!

MAY PROGRAM

Leonard Garfield ARCHITECTURAL STYLES and DEVELOPMENT PERIODS

Wednesday, May 27, 1998, 7:00 p.m.

American Legion Hall

138 - 5th Avenue (across from City Hall)

Leonard Garfield, Manager, King County Office of Cultural Resources and former President, Washington Trust for Historic Preservation will give a slide presentation illustrating architectural styles and growth patterns in Washington. Bring a picture and Leonard will help identify the architectural style and development period of your building. Do you know the style of this building?



Residential Architectural Styles in Kirkland's Neighborhoods

Throughout Kirkland you will see a number of Architectural Styles, particularly in some of the older neighborhoods such as Market and Norkirk. The two most predominant styles are: Bungalows / Craftsman typically developed between 1905 - 1920's and Vernacular 1870's - 1900's. Look for them as you drive or walk around.

The sketches were used with permission of the City of Everett from the report entitled, Rucker/Grand Avenue Historic Neighborhood Conservation Handbook, prepared by Makers for the Everett Historical Commission.



Vernacular



Queen Anne



Shingle



American Foursquare



Colonial Revival



Tudor



Craftsman Style



Bungalow

**NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD
Election at May Meeting**

Each of the current officers has agreed to serve another term, as follows:

Alan Stein Vice President
Laura Westlund Treasurer
Barbara Loomis Communications

The election is held at the May meeting. You may make nominations from the floor; however the person nominated must either be present or confirm in writing that they are willing to serve if elected.

**VOLUNTEER FOR
SECRETARY ??**

The Board will be appointing someone to fill the rest of Lynette Friberg's term as Secretary which runs through June 30th of 1999. Interested?? Please call Bob Burke, 828-4096 (h) or 827-6550 (o).

**MAP OF HISTORIC
PROPERTIES**

As the result of a lot of work by **Lynette Friberg, Velda Wilson, Vic Newhard, Barbara Loomis, and Bob Burke** the preliminary survey of potentially historic properties has been integrated with the City's GIS (Geographic Information System) and we should have a map by our next meeting! **Angela Ruggeri** and **Kirsty Burt** with the City have been great in putting it all together. **Mimi Sheridan** our historic preservation consultant will be using the information and map in her effort.

**WORK PARTY
TO ORGANIZE OUR
PHOTO COLLECTION**

**Sunday, May 31, 1998
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Office of Myron Lewis,
Architect
2800 Northup Way, Suite 100**

As noted with our recent gift of photographs from Ernie Fortescue, our photo collection is growing - we now have an estimated 1000 photographs and slides. The purpose of this work party is to establish a numbering system for the various collections and to place the photographs, negatives and slides into a storage system which is archivally safe!

**NEIGHBORHOOD USA
CONFERENCE**

Loita Hawkinson will be attending the Neighborhood USA conference in Portland representing KHS and the Norkirk Neighborhood. The City is paying for the cost so neighborhood and organizations such as KHS has the opportunity to attend! Thanks to the City and to Loita for volunteering her time to do this!!

**EDUCATION GRANT
Kirkland Arts Center**

We have received preliminary notification that the Arts / Architecture / Heritage grant application has been approved by King County. Thanks to **Lara Holman, Kirkland Arts Center** for putting the grant request together!

**DUES NOTICES
BEING SENT OUT**

Dues notices will be sent out in the next couple weeks. Please return them as quickly as you can! It really helps if we don't have to do second notices. Also, over the past three years the number of people who have become sustaining members has increased significantly. If you want to provide extra support, it is really helpful in letting us do all of the things we now are.

**DOWNTOWN
REVITALIZATION
TRAINING INSTITUTE**

Barbara Loomis attended this conference which is modeled on the Main Street Program of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Kirkland was second in attendance with 19 people - City Council members, Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Merchants, Performing Arts Center and City Staff.

Kennedy Smith, Director of the National Main Street Center started off with an overview of trends facing downtowns. Views on the Internet, franchises and partnerships to compete with the big box retailers, *gen nexters* who don't like shopping malls, and generally how retailers will be able to regain a competitive edge by niche retailing.

There were tours of Wenatchee's mainstreet which is in a renovation process. From painting, to removing aluminum siding and restoring buildings.

The Main Street approach to downtown revitalization is to preserve and retain your historic buildings; that which makes your downtown unique and special. It also addresses organization, promotion, design, and economic development.

KIRKLAND'S HISTORY IS NOW ACCESSIBLE WORLDWIDE

By Alan J Stein

As of May 15, 1998, *The East Side Journal* Index will finally be available for use by ... You! Thanks to a grant from the King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission the index will now be online at:

<http://www.bcc.ctc.edu/cpsaha/esj>

Accompanying the index will be instructions on how to use it, along with a history of Kirkland and other materials. For those of you who are unfamiliar with the index, the following is an introduction written specifically for the website:

A Newspaper is a Diary of the Community it Serves.

From 1918 to 1975, *The East Side Journal* provided weekly news for communities along the eastern shores of Lake Washington. The stories were predominantly focused upon the city of Kirkland and her neighbors. At the time, Kirkland was the gateway into Seattle from all points east. Local towns like Redmond and Bellevue were small farming and bedroom communities, far removed from the nationwide software and banking centers they would later become. For most of this century, *The East Side Journal* reported local news and events, and in turn documented the transitional period as Kirkland grew from a 19th century collection of small farms and businesses into 20th century suburbia.

The East Side Journal database indexes headlines for almost every

article printed during the years 1918-1975. Over 60,000 headlines are partitioned into over 100 categories. Some headlines in the database contain supplemental information (e.g. the name of a person described in the text, or whether the article is accompanied by a noteworthy photo). Each headline is accompanied by an issue date and page number. The articles themselves are not resident upon this website.

When it was published, *The East Side Journal* was a small-town newspaper. Today, it is a diary that was kept by an American small town as she grew to become a city.

The purpose of this website is to provide

a resource for the local community and beyond...

Locally, the database acts as a springboard into further research. Genealogists, students, historians and other interested individuals can search the index along their own paths of discovery. Once headlines are discovered which pertain to the search, the full text of the articles can be found on microfilm at The Kirkland Library and The University of Washington (addresses and phone numbers are available on the website).



Above and beyond, the database acts as an overall glimpse into 20th Century America.

Even the most casual perusal of this database (either by subject, date or headline) can provide an insight into daily life throughout the years; from WWI to the Great Depression, through WWII into the New Frontier and beyond. As did every small-town newspaper in the country, *The East Side Journal* reported day-to-day life in modern America.

The *ESJ* Index Homepage will be in a state of continual growth. Planned additions to the site will include a few photos to provide the world with a glimpse of Kirkland's past, an essay (chock full of example headlines) which illustrates how Kirkland, WA is an archetype of Main Street, USA, and a feedback page for visitors to make suggestions on how to improve the site.

Also, as a bit of informative fun, I've included a page called ***Alan's Amalgam of History Links***. I've been on-line for a few years now, and over this time I've discovered many fascinating sites from around the world which relate to history. This page will describe hundreds of some of the better ones that I've run across.

The *ESJ* index, which documents Kirkland history, has it's own small place in history. As far as I can tell, this is the first index of its kind on the internet. Most on-line newspaper archives only cover the last few years or so. Unless I'm mistaken, this is the first one which presents an overall view of most of this century.

When the first *East Side Journal* appeared on the doorsteps of Kirkland residents back in 1918, how many readers knew that by the end of the century, those headlines would be instantly accessible from almost anywhere in the world?

Truly we live in exciting times, but no more so than the people who shaped Kirkland into the city it has become today. Their accomplishments are more than exemplary, and now those deeds are documented for all to see. As we enter into a new millennium, I'm thankful that current technology enables us all to examine our past. What a wonderful world!



AKCHO APPOINTS NEW TRUSTEE

The Association of King County Historical Organizations (AKCHO) recently appointed KHS Vice-President **Alan J. Stein** as a member of their board. Alan's responsibilities will also include chairing their membership committee and assisting in the creation of their website.

AKCHO was incorporated in 1977 as an "umbrella" organization for community heritage groups throughout King County. For over twenty years, they have provided assistance and opened lines of communications amongst the diverse organizations and individuals who care about all aspects of King County history.

AKCHO meetings, which are open to the public, are held on the last Tuesday of every month, and they provide an excellent way for heritage groups to share information. The meeting locations migrate throughout organizations and county historical sites, which gives everyone a good chance to experience new vistas. Meeting notices are published in **Blackberry Preserves**.

For more information, you can call Alan at 821-0164.

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HERITAGE SOCIETY**

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CALENDAR

**MAY IS MUSEUM MONTH
MAY 10-16 IS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION
WEEK.
Preservation Begins
at Home.**

May 26
AKCHO Meeting
9:00 a.m.
AKCHO Annual Awards; Maple
Valley Historical Society, 206-296-
7810

May 29
Board Meeting
6 p.m.
KHS Program
7 p.m.
**AMERICAN LEGION
HALL, 138 - 5th Ave.
LEONARD GARFIELD:
ARCHITECTURAL STYLES AND
DEVELOPMENT PERIODS**
*Slides showing growth patterns
of Washington and Kirkland.
Bring a picture of a building and
Leonard will identify it.*

May 31
Photo Collection
Work Party
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
*Office of Myron Lewis, Architect
2800 Northup Way, Suilt 100
Call 828-4095 or 827-6550*

June 8
Oral History Meeting
7:30 p.m.
*Christina Brugmans's house: 11122
NE 132nd, call 821-3605 for more
information*

June 24
Heidi Bohan Bennett,
*Daily Life of the
Coast Salish People*
*Unless otherwise noted KHS
meetings are held the last
Wednesday of the month at 7
p.m., Kirkland Congregational
Church, 106-5th Ave.*

**Thanks
Renewing Member**

Corrine Hieb

Your membership renewal will be coming in the mail soon. Please watch for it and respond quickly. Thank you for your continued support. We can't do it without you!

MEMBERSHIP FORM

July 1, 1998 - June 30, 1999

- Individual \$20
- Family \$25
- Senior/Student \$15
- Supporting \$100
- Life Member \$1,000
- Organization/Government \$100
- Professional/Business \$125
- Corporate \$250

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:

- _____ Achives and Collections
- _____ Education and Research
- _____ Membership and Funding
- _____ Monthly Programs
- _____ Oral History

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

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Home# _____ Work # _____
Organization/Firm _____

Checks should be made payable and mailed to:
Kirkland Heritage Society, 235 - 10th Ave. W.,
Kirkland, WA 98033. Phone: (425) 889 - 9120



**HOW ABOUT THIS LITTLE BUILDING ON PARK LANE?
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS STYLE IS CALLED?
I'LL GIVE YOU A CLUE, IT WAS BUILT IN 1948!**

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