

# BLACKBERRY PRESERVES

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## KIRKLAND HERITAGE SOCIETY

Kirkland's Summer Festival Children's Parade, August 2, 1947.



Pinocchio and Jiminy Cricket marched in the Kirkland parades for many years. They were designed by David Burr and built by Phil Smith. These popular figures were seen in Redmond too. Photographer was **Jinx King** of Kirkland.

**Any ideas who Superman is???**

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**PRESIDENT'S LETTER**  
**LYNETTE FRIBERG WEBER**

Believe it or not, there are a few good things to say about this economic crisis. From a preservation standpoint, our historic buildings are not coming down left and right to make way for mega mansions or contemporary commercial structures as they have been for quite some time. So it may be by default that Kirkland's landmarks are being saved from the wrecking ball, but we are happy campers with that part of the equation. All we need now is a few good people to step up to the plate to write City Landmarking Nominations for these fine buildings to further protect them. If you are interested ( shame on you, if not) and have some spare time, please contact KHS.



**2009 Golden Grads**  
**September 26, 2009**  
**1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**  
**Lake Washington High School**

Everyone who attended KHS or LWHS 50 or more years ago is encouraged to attend...even if you did not graduate from LWHS or KHS.

**KHS BOOTH AT FRIDAY MARKET  
AT JUANITA BEACH**

**by Robert Burke**

During the summer months there is a Friday Market from 3 to 7 pm in the parking lot of Juanita Beach Park. KHS had a booth on June 26th emphasizing an exhibit on Juanita History put together by Loita Hawkinson. Lynette Friberg Weber, Vic Newhard and Bob Burke put up the booth and Barbara Loomis joined them to help take it down at the close of the Market.

Thanks to everyone for your help in making the community aware of our history and explaining the work of KHS.



**Lynette and Vic**



The theme of the 2009 4th of July parade was **GREEN**. The Grand Marshall was **Kirkland's Green Team** and they walked the parade route. Reuse, recycle, deduce waste has become a way of life in America. KHS feels akin to the Green Theme as the Heritage Hall building was moved from 1st Street to Market. The Sessions Funeral Home has been remodeled to be used by the City. The Nettleton Mansion was moved and will once again be a family home. Being Green costs \$\$\$\$\$. But our future generations will profit. Loita Hawinson



**Kirkland's GREEN TEAM**

## Scholarship Awarded to Sarah Staeck

By Lynette Weber



From left to right: Lynette Friberg Weber, President, KHS; Sarah Staeck; Bob Neir; Jim Neir. Photograph courtesy of Thomas Neir.

The Kirkland Heritage Society and the Neir family presented the **Christine J. Neir Memorial Scholarship** to Sarah Staeck, graduating senior at Lake Washington High School.

Staeck's painting is titled: *"The Future is Bright,"* and reflects Kirkland Marina's past and present. She plans to attend WSU next Fall.

The purpose of the annual scholarship is to foster interest in Kirkland's local history and provide that opportunity to high school students attending either LWHS or JHS.



**Frank Rosin** is reading a script as he adds the sound effects to a Lum and Abner radio recreation.

## Historic cars in Kirkland's 4th of July 2009 Parade



Clarence & Sandy Stone's 1957 Chevy Nomad



Archie Cress & grandson with his 1931 Model A Fordor



Lee Peterson's 1937 Ford V-8 Coupe



Frank Rosin's 1930 Model A Ford Tudor

Parade photos by Lynette, Loita & Dale

## Rose Hill History by Loita Hawkinson

### William Perrault

*Our Founding Fathers* tells of a quiet French Canadian who befriended the **Martin Clark family** and rowed Mrs. Clark and their one surviving child to Seattle where they found a nun who took them in and saved the lives of Eliza Clark and Lutie Clark (Patty). The Canadian had been shunned by the other settlers because he was content to live on his wooded homestead near Redmond and trap. Respected men of the times cleared their land.

Nothing more has been known about this nameless, quiet and gentle man. Until now. A Clark family history book reveals his name as **William Perrault**, a Catholic man from Quebec. He attended the Houghton church once but was ignored because he was both Catholic and a trapper. But the Clark children adored him. And the Clarks owed their future lives to him because he alone had found a Nun in Seattle that was willing to help the family. The hospital had turned them away as diphtheria was still treated as a plague.

Mr. Perrault must have moved away during the Kirkland boom years because he is not found on the King County or Washington Territory Census records. But he remained in the state. In 1929 Mr. Perrault died at age 92 in Grant County. At age 80 he was a watchman for the quarry. Every Federal census record lists him as being a widower.

So it turns out that William Perrault had a wife who had died. He may have lost children too. I am grateful to be able to give this kind man his name and place in Kirkland's history.

Again this is a lesson to us all. If we want our personal history to be recorded accurately and for friends to be remembered, we must write it down in our own words. I am sure there is more to Mr. Perrault than bringing

treasures to the four Clark children, fresh meat and fowl to Eliza Clark, digging the three graves for the Clark children and then rowing five miles across Lake Washington and carrying Eliza and Lutie four more miles to get medical care. But it is what we have. Special thanks to Charles Walter Clark, youngest child of Martin and Eliza Clark, for having the foresight to write his book. Charles and Margaret were born later and all three surviving Clark children graduated from Kirkland Schools. Lutie was in the class of 1902. Theodora Habernal, daughter of Margaret, graduated in 1926.



**Portrait for KHS**

by Lynette Weber

Many thanks to **Donna Emsel Schill** for gifting to KHS her creative portrait of **Fanny Kirk**. Fanny's portrait is a painted composite of a photograph from the KHS archives, which was chosen by Donna through the **Kirkland Arts Center**. It shows Fanny as an unconventional person and reflects her artistic and adventuresome nature. She presented Fanny to KHS during June's program, weaving a fantasy story of the Kirk Family and Vincent VanGogh, to the delight of all those attending. Donna's portrait of Fanny will be on display in the KHS Resource Center at Heritage Hall, lower level.

**Monthly Meeting**

7:00 p.m. Heritage Hall

**July 2009**

*No meeting*

*Have a happy & healthy summer!!!*

**August 26, 2009**

**Blackberry Sundae Social**

**Time to get your annual fix of fresh Blackberries and Vanilla Ice-cream, served in old-time glass fountain dishes.**



**Mary-Alyce Burleigh gave KHS a helping hand before walking the parade route**



**May & June Meeting**

**Participants**

Sal Avalos\*, Sally Jo Bechtel, Bob Burke, Sue Carter, Ron Cats, Marjorie L. Denton, Michele Dodd\*, Dick Ekins, Betty Fields, Loita & Dale Hawkinson, Corrine Hieb, Tom Hitzroth, Bev Hoerlein, Cathi Howland\*, Linda & Wayne Jatton, Marilyn Johnson, Barbara Loomis, Anita Maxwell, Russ McClintick, Larry Miller, Vic Newhard, Pam Owens, Christi Packred\*, Karen Partridge\*, Lee Peterson, Kathy Pruitt\*, Julie Reid, Frank Rosin, Janeen Ryseff, Lynn Sanborn\*, Dee Saunders, Pat & Dick Shinstrom, Chad Shriner\*, Joanne Stewart, Sandy & Clarence Stone, Carol Trapp, Lynette Friberg Weber

\* Guests & First Timers

**Welcome New Members!**

Karen Partridge and Clarence McKosky

**HISTORIC NETTLETON MANSION**

**by Robert Burke**

On June 23rd CamWest, developer of the Nettleton Commons on State Street had an open house to celebrate the completion of the rehabilitation of the relocated Nettleton Mansion. This stately Colonial Revival residence was built in 1914 by Clark and Jennie Nettleton. He was the publisher of the PI and an early advocate for the East Side. It now serves as the centerpiece for the Nettleton Commons, a planned unit development of 25 residences between 4th and 5th Street South on State Street.

In 1936 during the Depression the building was purchased by Chet Green and was expanded to become the Green Funeral Home. The Chapel was added in 1963 to the building by moving the original Lutheran Church from across 4th Street when it was to be replaced. Interestingly, as part of the CamWest project the Chapel was moved back in 2006 to its original site as part of the Northlake Unitarian Universalist Church.



**Jerry Rutherford** stopped by Heritage Hall and is looking at an aerial of Juanita Junction.

**OPEN OPEN OPEN**

**Kirkland Heritage Resource Center** is open Wednesdays from 2 to 5. Volunteers are still needed with modest computer skills and a love for Kirkland.

## THANK YOU TO:

**Angie Eggers** for the wood butter bowl and butter paddle she donated several years ago. These items were a staple of every household that had a cow so fresh butter could be made daily. They are now displayed with the butter churn at the hall.



Angie gave us a lesson on making butter before donating the bowl and paddle.

**Bill Richards** for the 45 star flag donated during the Centennial. The flag was displayed at that time. But the full impact of the flag was not obvious until now. Central School was built in 1905 right after Kirkland's incorporation. At that time a flagpole went up that could be seen from all of Kirkland. This is the very flag that flew in the new town of Kirkland in 1905 until 1907 when more states were added. The flag can be seen in pictures taken from South Kirkland. Mr. Richards rescued the flag when Central School was torn down to make room for our current Kirkland City Hall. The flag is now in a display box at Heritage Hall.

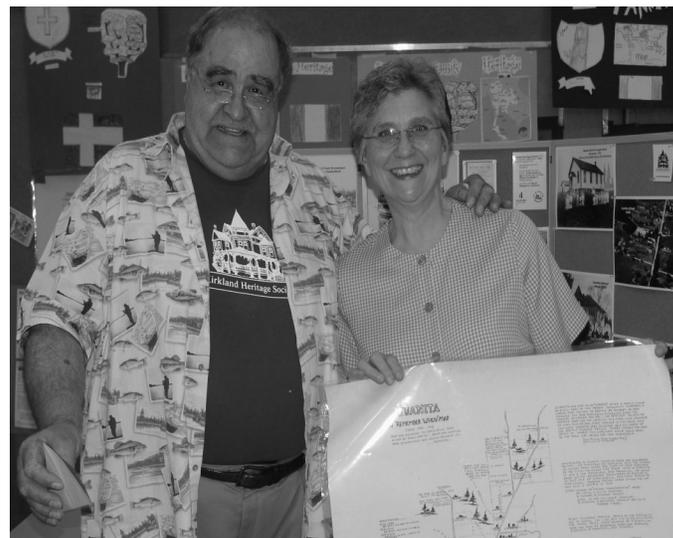
**Frank Rosin** for a CD of an April 29, 1949 Lanny Ross radio program. Lanny Ross, an idol of the airwaves, was the grandson of Kirkland Founder Walter Williams. Lanny was born in the little home attached to the original bank building at the foot of Market. Frank knows that KHS is interested in Lanny Ross and keeps an eye out for us.

**Clarence McKosky** of California spent 7 months in Kirkland in 1942 when his father was at the shipyard working on the USS Chincoteague. Clarence went to Central School and donated a copy of his 2nd grade class photo and a copy of his mother's diary, which details December 7th, 1941, and her time in Houghton.

**All members** for naming photos and events in May. This is a favorite for those who grew up in Kirkland. **Pat Shinstrom** requested photocopies of a large group of girls and mailed it back with several names. After her school reunion, Pat hopes even more will be named.

**Abby Kaminski** for taking on the property inventory project. Kirkland's historic properties have been identified and must now be entered into **Washington's Statewide Historic Property Inventory Guide & Database**. It is a large and important job and we are so grateful to Abby.

**Christina Brugman** and **Vic Newhard** for manning the Juanita Heritage night table. Christina has her roots in Juanita so as busy as she is; she makes time for this event.



**Vic and Christina at Juanita Elementary**

**Linda Jatón and Wayne's truck.** Dale and Loita purchased a huge rug at the Dorothy Johnson Guild benefit sale. It was for the workroom at Heritage Hall. Just like two months ago, we could not haul what we purchased. This time it was Linda who came to our rescue. FYI, the Hawkinson's get reimbursed for these purchases. They belong to KHS.

**Sue Contreras** for giving KHS two boxes of file folders and another plastic display bin. The growing KHS collections gobble up supplies and these donations make the archives budget stretch. KHS does not require "brand new" when there is so much "like new" available.

**Art Burnard** of Renton for the donation of a 78 page family history book featuring the **Martin Clark** family. The Clarks came to homestead in 1880 in an area that became **North Rose Hill**. Martin and Eliza Clark lost three of their four children to diphtheria within a week. They were buried on the home place because the area did not have a cemetery until after Kirkland was founded. The Clarks had two more children. **Lutie** became Mrs. **Ollis Patty**. There are ties to the **Barrie, Fish, Kirtley, Brooks and Northup** families as well. Just another thread to help weave this area's history. This issues history on page 4 is taken from this book. Special thanks to **Martha Burr Millar** for making sure the book found a home with KHS. A copy is in the Family History section at the Resource Center.

**Stan Denton** is not able to get out as much but he has again started working on the collections from home.

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The *East Side Journal* reported in June 1953 that:

## JUANITA BEACHES ARE CLOSED,

56 years later, the June 26, 2009 issue of the *Kirkland Reporter* reported that Juanita Beach was closed because of pollution. The privately owned beaches are now one large community beach but some things have not changed.

Left is Marilyn Timmerman Johnson, center is JoAnn Johnson McAuliffe, right is Joanne Forbes Deligan. Marilyn and Joanne are KHS members.

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