

# BLACKBERRY PRESERVES

The Journal of the

## KIRKLAND HERITAGE SOCIETY

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## NEW BRICK STORE

Corner Market and Richmond Streets, where we  
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**FILSON & TIMMERMAN.**

September 1890  
Kirkland Newspaper

## From the President

Loita Hawkinson

Well, fall is in the air. Hope you were able to enjoy our Northwest Summer.

This newsletter is covering 4 months. Thank you for your patience.

Sadly we lost one of our Hello Girls. Corrine Hieb passed away just a month ago. Corrine had been calling members to remind them of the programs since the committee was formed. She was a treasure.

Linda Jatton chairs the Hello Girls Committee. If any of you would like to be on this committee, please leave a message for Linda at 425-827-3446. Only local paid members are called or emailed. If we had a few more volunteers, the list for everyone would be shorter.

And we are in need of a Membership Chair. This committee is busy after the renewal notices are mailed out in November/December and memberships come in. The Membership Chair needs to be familiar with Microsoft Excel. After the initial membership rush, a bit of time every two months is all that is needed. The chair would have to come into the KHS office and do the work on our computer. Please call 425-827-3446 if you can help.

KHS has had a full board for most of this year. We thank Shannon Harris for returning. Shannon was active when her children were young. But when she went to work, her time was limited. Shannon still works but her children are off to college. Lucky for KHS that she is making the time.

The Blackberry Ice Cream Social will be the last membership meeting until February. With our October meeting falling on Halloween, it was decided to cancel for this year. Best to stay off the roads and to treat the trick or treaters.

Happy Fall to you all. Loita



Photo night was a success. Every time we do this more photos are identified with extra history added. There are still hundreds more to identify.



The *Evergreen Model A Ford Club* made an impressive showing on the 4th of July. Thank you to all members for representing KHS again this year. Thank you Frank (Rosin) for arranging this again.



Kristopher DiGiulio and Victor Bahna took charge of the Sarsaparilla stand during Summerfest. Photo by Paul Secord.

# KHS Monthly Programs

7:00 p.m.

Heritage Hall

203 Market Street

September 26, 2018

Our Annual Ice cream Social with ice cream and local blackberries. Always served in vintage glass fountain dishers.

October, 2018

Our Membership Meeting falls on Halloween. Best to skip our meeting this year.

November, 2018

No Membership Meeting  
Happy Thanksgiving.

December, 2018

No Membership Meeting but watch for your invitation to the annual Holiday Cookie Exchange.

January, 2018

No Membership Meeting. Weather related events have forced last minute cancellations in the past. See you in February.

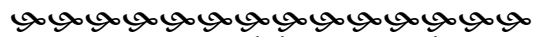


## Programs

Karen and Linda would like suggestions for future programs:  
Linda Jatton @ 425-898-4853,  
Karen Schickling @ 425-273-6299  
or kschic1965@gmail.com.

## Mystery Solved

The mystery of the classroom map and Kirkland postcards has been solved. Long time KHS member and 1951 LWH grad Elliott Paul Fletcher left the items at the 2017 Golden Grads. They are now in the Fletcher Collection and the map is on the wall with the school collectibles. It is from a Seattle school and very historic. Printed during WWII, the map does not show the airfields.



## 2018 Golden Grads

Honoring the class of '68  
Hosted by the Class of '65.  
September 15, 2018 from 1 to 4  
Lake Washington High School.  
12033 80th Street NE.

If you are in the area, please attend. Some of the former classmates come a distance and are disappointed when so few of their classmates attend.



We have not used our open sign for several years. Now, there is an addition to the sign: Free Museum. As you can see, we were open during the recent smog.



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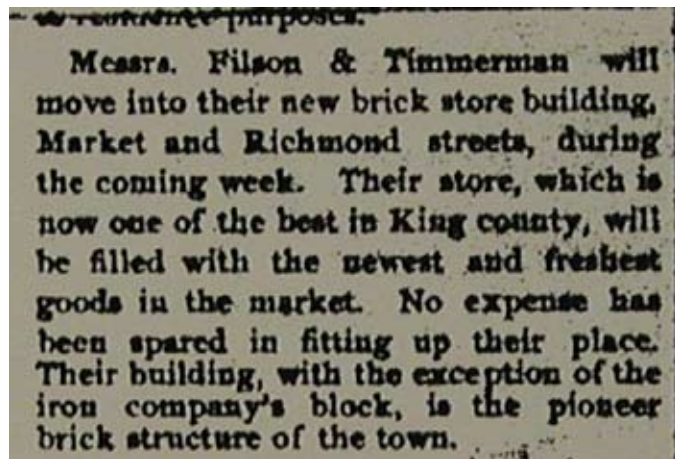
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.5% does not amount to much but every penny helps support Kirkland's history.

## C.C. Filson by Loita Hawkinson

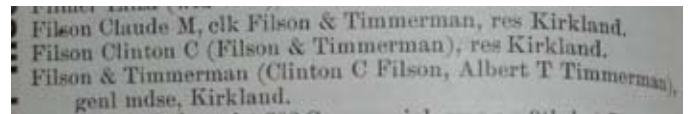
In *Our Foundering Fathers*, author Arline Ely wrote: "A three story hotel building was erected on the southwest corner of Richmond and Market by Capt. D.B. Jackson, a wealthy Seattle resident. The building next to this was named the Peter Kirk Building and was constructed for C.C. Filson and Albert Timmerman who engaged in a grocery business for a time."

Kirkland Heritage Society has the first newspaper published in Kirkland. It is dated September 6, 1890. On the front page is the ad for Filson and Timmerman in their new brick building on the corner of Market and Richmond (now 7th Avenue West and Market). An article inside the same paper has the business about to move into their new brick building, which is stated to be second only to the four brick buildings on Market Street. Sadly, at this time, no photos have been found.



Mr. C.C. Filson died in 1910 leaving a widow but no children. Mrs. Filson died in 1958. Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Timmerman did not have children either. Having no children can raise havoc with research. Important and influential people can and do slip through the cracks of local history.

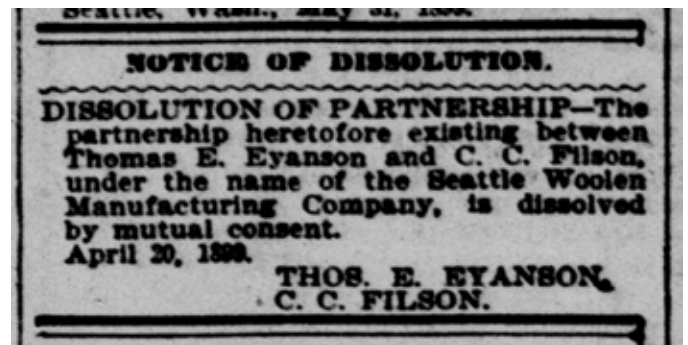
We know from the 1892 King County Directory that Clint Filson was a merchant



who lived in Kirkland. We also know he was a partner with Thomas Eyanson in Kirkland's Woolen Mill that operated off the shores of Lake Washington in the Market Neighborhood.

The Seattle Woolen Mill opened in Kirkland in 1892 and was a source of jobs for over 40 years. Kirkland's woolen mill provided wool for the 1897 gold rush, the 1905 gold rush and WWI. Over the years it had been known as the Seattle Woolen Mill, Eyanson Woolen Mill and Matzen Woolen Mill. The mill burned in 1935. The Seattle Woolen Mill is often overlooked because researchers believe it to be located in Seattle.

In 1897 Seattle became the official outfitter for the Klondike Gold Rush....this too has direct ties to Kirkland...but that is yet another story. C.C. Filson opened his new store on 1st Avenue in Seattle. There are rare eBay listings with gold rush era items with C.C. Filson and Seattle Woolen Mill on the label. So far, these items have sold for more money than KHS can afford. These early C.C. Filson items came from local wool spun, dyed and woven in Kirkland by Kirkland residents. In 1899 Filson and Eyanson dissolved their partnership. Eyanson continued to sell from a store on Central Way in Kirkland. Clint Filson continued to use Kirkland's wool.



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## Before

No matter how we tried, the unfinished wall display made KHS look “under construction” and not ready for history.



## Now

The drawers have fronts and open for displays. The two side drawers have brass pulls from the original building. They are nearly 100 years old. The three center drawers have similar brass pulls. Museum grade Plexiglas covers the drawers. We had sticker shock when buying the paint. The funds for the display came from the building account which is funded by paver sales.

At long last, Peter Kirk’s morning suit is out of the archives. Once we find a suitable shelf, his leather hat box will join the display. The hat box has a Cunard Line sticker and Mr. Kirk’s initials. His top hat has always been displayed.



## Kirk Family Collection

These items came with the Kirk family in 1888.



## Pioneer Corner

Features history before Peter Kirk arrived.



Volunteer, David McGoorty, got the “new” movie screen polished up before it was hung. Now, we can show PowerPoints and films at our board meetings.

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C.C. Filson still thrives in Seattle. They give history as they know it on their website. Nothing is mentioned about Mr. Filson's outfitting roots being in Kirkland. So many historic roads lead to Kirkland. Kirkland was a mover and shaker in the 1890's. Another point of interest: Captain D. B. Jackson who built the impressive Hotel Jackson and Theatre at the corner of Richmond and Market was the Great Grandfather of Senator Daniel Jackson Evans. Senator Evans' father lived here as a boy and his uncle was born here. The Hotel Jackson and Theatre later became the Gateway Theatre and then the Leland. The Jackson has at this time been the only historic brick building on Market Street to be lost to progress. It was torn down to make room for a gas station and is now Leland Place Condos. Had Kirkland known its rich history, it might have been saved.

We do know that the Filson/Timmerman business dissolved when the Steel Mill failed to open. We also know that Mr. Filson remained and even served as Kirkland's Post Master before opening C.C. Filson Co. in Seattle. Because so many papers have been digitized we know that the former partners remained friends and their widows remained friends. By all accounts, they were wonderful people. The late Arline Ely with her love of history would have had a field day doing research with today's resources.



### Ferry Era

Has a plank from the Leschi Slip thanks to Frank Rosin. The lights are from the Ferry Washington.

## 2018 Summerfest

Summerfest was a huge suggest for KHS.

Rather than setting up the tent which is more work each year, we simply opened our doors. Heritage Hall and Heritage Park were filled with youthful activities. These activities created the foot traffic past the KHS Resource Center. Our Sarsaparilla stand was at the top of the ramp. Tables with chairs were set up by our door. History Month signs lined the way.

What we heard from nearly all was: We did not know Kirkland had a museum. So as of August 2018, we started considering the KHS Resource Center a Museum.

Thanks to: Linda Jatton, Karen Schickling, Victor Bahna, Libbi Wright, Lynette Weber, Dave Sherbrooke, Frank Rosin, Dorothy DiGiulio, Paul Secord, Kristopher DiGiulio and Loita Hawkinson for manning Kirkland's only History Museum. Special thanks to Victor, Dave, Frank, Dorothy, Paul, Kristopher and Libbi for working more than one shift. Victor was there for all four. And a special special thanks to Rob Butcher for treating KHS so well. It was Rob's idea to open the KHS Resource Center.



### "Made in Kirkland"

Includes a cigar box & woolen mill blanket.



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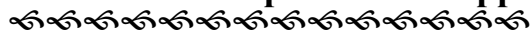
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