

Katherine Marsh from the Marsh Mansion saved St. John's church service bulletins. This directory was printed on the back of a depression era bulletin.

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From the President

Loita Hawkinson

Dear all,

The collections held by Kirkland Heritage Society are growing. As people are housebound, they have time to sort and clear out and find homes for their memorabilia. The mail is exciting. As you know, KHS is interested in all things "Kirkland". In some ways we are like the Smithsonian....an attic full of memories....sort of like a scrapbook. Those are the items are in the database and also displayed...wherever we can find room. And then we are like the National Archives...historic through and through. Those items are in the database for research and then archived for safe keeping.

This issue is going to show just a few of the hundreds of items that have been added to the database in 2020. As of this issue in 2020, KHS has received 34 collections from new donors. Some donations are a single item while others are dozens of items or photos. In 2019, KHS added 12 new donors. This gives you some idea of the new activity. And of course, there are hundreds of new items being added to the established collections.

There are collections archived that have not been processed. These collections came in during the Centennial...15 years ago. Because of Covid 19, time is more abundant to work on the database. A nice dent has been made in these collections.

Then the "icing on the cake" is that his history is being put to use. The City and Chamber now have frequent requests for history. The Parks Department recently held a Historic Scavenger Hunt and the Chamber of Commerce is establishing an Education Scholarship. They need proof that the Chamber has been serving Kirkland for 100 years. That proof is in the KHS archives. And they need to establish that Kirkland has always put education and schools first.

Again, KHS has that proof. A 501C3 nonprofit status has many requirements. It is with pride that KHS, who is a 501C3, can help the Chamber with their scholarship mission.

Nancy Landguth Bock is friends with Dean Everson who is the grandson of Fred and Ruth Lott. Fred and Ruth owned Eastside Battery and Lottsville Cash and Carry on Rose Hill. People have such fond memories of both sides of the business. Fred was a source for car parts and could lay his hand on the exact part needed in his "sea of parts". Ruth was the source for treats and last minute dinner items...the original convenience store. Nancy borrowed Dean's collection of photos and scanned them at a high resolution. She then emailed the photos to me, one at a time, with the history and dates. My end was to copy all the data and photos into the database and make prints of the photos to be archived. Nancy did all the real work. Nancy then returned the original photos to Dean. There are two Lott photos in this issue.

Frank and I earned a "needs improvement" for mailing the last issue of *Blackberry Preserves*. A thick stack, neatly bound in string, came back with the top issue marked "insufficient postage". They slipped through our process with no postage at all.

Not much more to report at this time. Covid 19 is in charge and we are doing the best we can to uphold our mission 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. So far, all are being met. We are even open by appointment for research.

Take care and stay well dear members and community.

Loita

KHS Monthly Programs 7:00 p.m. Heritage Hall 203 Market Street

Programs will return when we are told it is safe. We will then follow the current guidelines.

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No holiday Cookie Exchange for December 2020

Membership renewals will be mailed out in November or December.

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Jan McLaughlin and her brother
Jock McLaughlin are third
generation in Kirkland. They grew
up in the Market Neighborhood in a
now demolished historic home that
had been their grandmothers. Both
graduated from Lake Washington
High School. Their dad Bill was a
coach at LWHS and Mac Field is
named in his honor. They will be
giving us a history of their family in
Kirkland with photos.

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Randy Morelli

Part II of his memories of his Morelli family life.

KHS receives 100% commission from the sales of Bob Neir's *A City Comes of Age* and Steve Lamson's *The Power of a Dream*.

Kirkland Heritage Society office and museum will re-open: Monday from 10 to noon Wednesday from 2 to 5 when recommended by the City.



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In the mail

April 20, 2020

In 1935 I would have been 13 and just the right age for Mrs. Esty's Cub Scout group. Mrs. Esty was a brave lady.

She gave a parent's program in which 10 or 12 of us stood behind a four foot high curtain with shoes and socks on our hands. So on the signal we all ducked down, put our hands above the curtain - looked like we were doing a hand stand. Also she, Mrs. Esty, took a group of us to the Cub Scout Campout (one day) for games and competition. I think that was at Woodland Park.

In later years when I was a Boy Scout I ran a Cub Pack. We met in the basement at Shumway's. Mrs. Shumway always had cookies and a drink.

E.A. Brooks, my Grandfather, was having some problem with break-ins in the store. The back half of this building was divided by a wall and in the rear half of the building were stacks of flour and feed of all kinds. Literally thousands. Approximately 40' x 40' x 6' high. On top of this and behind the wall Grandpa Brooks cut a hole in the wall so he could see the store and front door. And on the front door he put a sign - "I'm here two nights a week watching and waiting - you guess which nights". He had no more breakins.

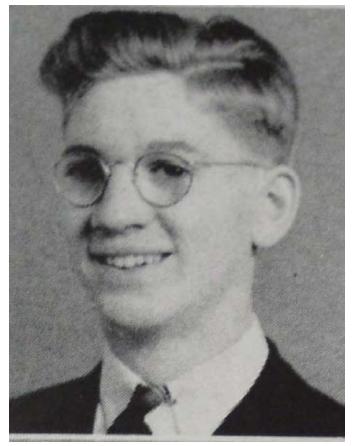
My Uncle Henry, son of E.A. Brooks, had a farm at Gold Bar. Several times a year the whole family would pack up and drive to Gold Bar. Roads were awful. Rocky, not gravel. Tires were not great. I seem to recall we always had one flat tire, especially on Grandpa Brooks big "Mitchell" car. About 10 or 12 of us kids had a special good time - we got to sleep in the hayloft.

I'm sure you are overloaded with stories and histories from Kirkland folks but I enjoyed sharing this little bit.

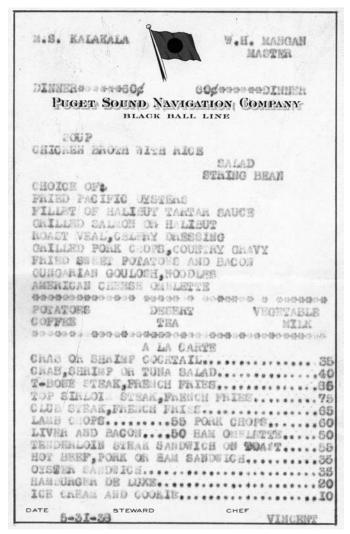
Ted Tillman.



Ted is in front row, far left.



Ted was in the Kirkland High School class of 1941. He was a Kangaroo. "Kangs" came about much later



Bonnie Rae sent KHS a menu that her mother saved from a 1938 cruise on the Kalakala. The depression era prices are interesting. If you had most any job, you could live well. But like now, many did not have jobs and there were few safety nets. A copy of this menu is displayed with the original archived.

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Programs

Karen would like suggestions for future programs:

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Golden Grads 2020

See you next year.



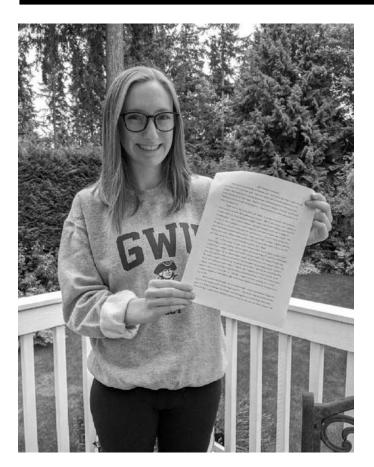
Tracy Roberts Eickhoff's family lived at 1201 Market. The family collection has been loaned for scanning with the originals remaining in their family. This photo is from about 1933. The house is still on Market Street. It is now a business.



Lottsville Cash & Carry on Rose Hill



Dale Townsend sent this photo taken by his mother in 1921. Aimee Semple McPherson held tent revivals in Kirkland. The tent was on Market Street. McPherson is credited for starting the Foursquare Church and being the first to use radio to broadcast her sermons.



Sarah Freeman is the 2020 Robert and Christine Neir Scholarship recipient. Her \$2,000 award has been sent to the George Washington University. Congratulations Sarah.

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Lee Johnson Chevrolet displayed these two banners of support of our two Kirkland High Schools. Hope they have been saved to display at future reunions and at Golden Grads in 2070.

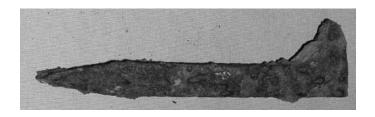
Paver update

There has been a complete change of employees at the paver company and therefore confusion. We got our order but they were ceramic tiles. So we are waiting for the resolution. The tiles are beautiful but they are not what we ordered and will not work. So stay tuned.

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Jack Pruss was Houghton Mayor when Kirkland and Houghton consolidated in 1968. The former mayor salvaged this historic sign and it now is on the wall at KHS.



David and Anna Aubry live near Slater and the old Kirk era railroad line that was to service the Steel Mill. David found a spike that he has donated. These spikes would have been salvaged when the rail was pulled up and the railroad bed graveled to become Slater. The spikes would have been abundant but this could be the only survivor. The spike is displayed with a spike that was salvaged when the Cross Kirkland Corridor was first being developed.

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Kirkland Heritage Society

January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

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^{**} During WWI, the Hello Girls were ladies who served as telephone operators. For KHS, these sweet ladies call and remind you of the next meeting or event.



This sign pointed the way to Fred Lott's East Side Battery on Rose Hill.

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