

BLACKBERRY PRESERVES

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Marjorie Hassel Kellogg

Marjorie pictured with the 1905 **Brooks Grocery Store** clock that was in her great grandparents store at 615 Market Street.

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Monday: 10 to Noon

Wednesday: 2 to 5

203 Market Street
Lower lever of Heritage Hall



2026 Membership Drive

Kirkland Heritage Society's membership dues are due in January of 2026.

Our Board of Directors voted to keep membership fees the same. Memberships cover the cost of printing and mailing of the *Blackberry Preserves* newsletter. Any additional donation helps with the care of the collections. Because KHS continues to be all volunteer with no paid staff, we are able to make all fees and donations stretch.

With the holidays upon us, a gift subscription to a friend or family member may be just what is needed to complete your giving list.

Happy Holidays to you all.
Loita Hawkinson, Treasurer



Sue Contreras at KHS, 2025

Sue Contreras offered 45 minutes of her time to help with the *Blackberry Preserves*. Three hours later and two of us were done. Thank you, Sue.



Visitors



Brooks family visits

(more Brooks' family history - BP 2025, issue 5)

Four descendants of Emery Brooks and Belle Patty Brooks paid the KHS museum a visit to deliver the 1905 Wm. L. Gilbert regulator clock that is front cover.



Marjorie Hassel Kellogg, Tesese Noel Turney Ajer, Laurie Van Wyck Klemmedson, Patty Hassel,



Marjorie and Patty

Sisters, Marjorie and Patty pose with one of the Brooks' displays at the KHS Museum.



Couple from Federal Way

This young couple assisted with the installation of the Brooks' clock a couple of weeks after the Brooks' visit. They arrived just as the clock was being prepared for installation. They had no idea they would be assisting in the hanging of an antique clock.



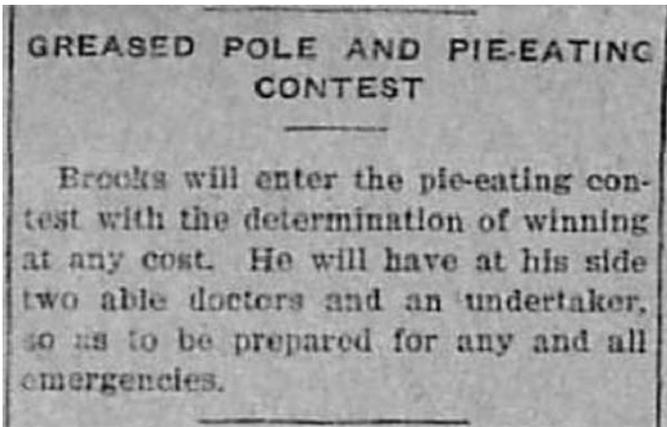
Margaret Gallagher Hassel, 2010

Here is the late Margaret Gallagher Hassel donating a scoop from Brooks Grocery in 2010. This scoop was used when rice and sugar were sold by the pound and not by the bag.

Margaret was the granddaughter of Emery Brooks and Belle Patty Brooks. Margaret was the mother of Marjorie and Patty and the aunt of Tesese and Laurie who are all pictured above.



Stepping back a few more years, here is a clip from the *East Side Journal* in 1912 featuring Emery Brooks, who owned Brooks Grocery.



East Side Journal, 1912

“Brooks”, as he was known, had entered a pie eating contest and hoped to win at any cost and apparently requested two doctors and an undertaker in case either was needed.

Our ancestors are often said to have been humorless because of the hardships they suffered. This 1912 clipping begs to differ.



Visitor from Vancouver

New technology meets old technology. Here, a visitor from Vancouver is taking a video as he is typing a letter. He had seen many mechanical typewriters in museums, but had not touched one before.

The typewriter he is typing on was originally purchased by Dick Everest, editor of the East Side Journal in the 1920’s and was donated in 2010 to KHS by the estate of Charles O. Morgan, former East Side Journal editor. The other typewriter present was from Kirkland High School. Neither typewriter has ever left Kirkland



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KHS At DennyFest, 2025

DennyFest is the annual neighborhood festival for the Finn Hill neighborhood, organized by the *Finn Hill Neighborhood Association*. Attendance was undeterred by the chilly and damp day at **O.O. Denny Park** and parking was assisted with frequent shuttles. The *Kirkland Community Foundation* provided many energetic workers.



Bonnie McLeod, Libbi Wright, Loita Hawkinson. Photo by: Bonnie Leung Photography

KHS brought two tables to display large historic aerial views which are always a favorite. **Matt McCauley** was too busy to pose for the photo just above.



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***.

2025 Golden Grads Reunion



LWHS grads at Lake Washington High School, September 13, 2025

The **Lake Washington High School Golden Grads** reunion, affectionately known as '**Golden Grads**', is an annual reunion held each September for all 50 plus year graduates of **Kirkland High School** and **Lake Washington High School**. It is a three hour "catch up" with former classmates at Lake Washington High School. It is hosted by grads that have just had their 52nd year reunion; who have then only to just attend the following years.



Two LWHS grads at one of the KHS tables

Thank you **Golden Grads** committee for inviting KHS to attend each year. KHS brings poster sized photos of the grade schools, the Kalakala ferry and the old hospital. These photos are brought for signing and are kept at the KHS museum. Photo albums, annuals and memories are often brought by the graduates who attend.



Happy Holidays from Kirkland's Past



East Side Journal, December, 1949



Uncovering More of Kirkland's Past: Moore Radio Service

In 1934, during the Great Depression, Charles A. Moore opened “**Moore Radio Service**” in Kirkland. According to articles from 1935 in the *East Side Journal*, Mr. Moore expanded his business and moved into the First National Bank of Kirkland building; which was on the corner of Lake Street and Kirkland Avenue.

The move allowed Charles to add household appliances to his radio repair services. Selling new appliances was a brave move during the Great Depression. The business, however was

short lived. In January 1937, Charles sold his business to L.E. King. King then named the business King Radio Service, and opened in Bellevue.



Lonnie Moore at KHS, 2025

Lonnie Moore visited the KHS Museum after his mother recently passed away. He brought us the photo of his grandfather that is on the back cover and wanted know more history on his family. His mother had been his final living link to his family's century long roots in Kirkland.

Lonnie did not grow up in Kirkland, but his mother and father did; both attended Lake Washington High School. Lonnie has albums and scrap books of his mother's and now a bit more of his family history in Kirkland.

If you have information about Kirkland's Moore Radio Service, or any other story here, please share



Post Intelligencer, 1935



Cricket on the Eastside

Cricket on the Eastside has been in the news recently. Redmond is planning for a professional Major League Cricket Team with its home based at **Marymoor Park**.

KHS has recently acquired a slide of cricket being played in Kirkland in 1948.

Kirkland has much British influence, having been founded by the English industrialist Peter Kirk in 1888. Although it is played the world over, there is likely no sport more uniquely British than Cricket.



**Cricket Match in Kirkland
September 5, 1948**

We are interested in knowing who the players are in the photo above. They are playing in a field that is now **Peter Kirk Park** with its **Lee Johnson baseball field**. The slide is marked: Cricket, Sept 5, 1948, BC won. KHS knows of no cricket teams in Kirkland at that time. Pictured is a Seattle team playing against a Canadian team.

The *East Side Journal* announced cricket games on the Eastside while the *Seattle Post Intelligencer* announced both Seattle and Eastside games. Below are quotes from articles from the East Side Journal including the rules for cricket in 1948.

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East Side Journal, August 19, 1948

“A number of people who looked in on the games held in Kirkland the past two Sundays, walked away with puzzled expressions. Some came back with a little knowledge gleaned here and there outside, and then expressed more enthusiasm.”

“Briefly, a “bowler” throws a hard, leather covered ball the size of a baseball, at a “wicket” which has two pieces of wood called bails laid across the top of it. He tries to knock the bails off the wicket on first bounce. A batter, using a wide, 2 1/2 pound bat, tries to prevent him from doing this and at the same time, if possible, hit the ball far enough to give him time to run to the wicket opposite him, 22 yards away, exchanging places with a second batter stationed there. When the bowler has bowled to the batter six times, another bowler bowls to the second batter. When ten batters on one team have been putout, the opposing team comes to bat.

A batter is out when a bowled ball knocks the balls off a wicket; when a fielder catches the batted ball on the fly; when the bails of a wicket are knocked off while the batter is running from wicket to wicket; when the batter himself accidentally knocks the bails off; when he steps outside that part of the field between the creases; when his body stops a bowled ball that the umpire thinks would have struck the wicket; when the bails are knocked off by a fielder while the batter is outside the popping crease; when the batter handles the ball, or hits it more than once with the intention of scoring; or when he interferes with the fielders.”



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** During WWI, the Hello Girls were ladies who served as telephone operators. For KHS, this sweet lady will email to remind you of the next meeting or event.

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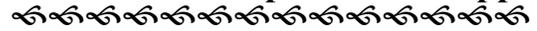
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Charles A. Moore with his Moore Radio Service van, Kirkland, 1935

Mr. Moore is broadcasting during a Kirkland High School track meet. The antenna is on the roof. Waverly Way is behind the bleachers.

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