Olivia French at age 18
Dressed in this exquisite gown of satin and lace
From the KHS French Family Collection
A controversy has been created over the historic property inventory. As a result of our two property owner meetings a few owners who do not want to have their property recognized by the City have written letters to all property owners “Warning” them of the dire consequences of being listed. They are mixing issues and creating confusion and fear. We felt the City had responded well by suggesting that the Planning Commission not consider which properties would be listed until the regulations and incentives had been defined. We are considering what should be done to get out the correct information to all property owners!

The street signs with the historic names are beginning to go up along Market Street!! They really look great! About 100 intersections will be done in the Market, Norkirk, Highlands and North Rose Hill Neighborhoods. Again, thanks to “Hoppy” and his crew in Public Works!

The Waverly Park Neighborhood Association (not a recognized City neighborhood association) has decided to appeal the Judge’s decision which dismissed their previous lawsuit over the former Christian Science Church Building. At this time we do not know all of the particulars of the appeal.

We have been working with the City and their Architect, Harry Cummings and Preservation Architect Ron Murphy to assure that the foundation and site work is consistent with the historically significant aspects of the building. We are also completing a nomination to King County for landmark status which will enhance our chances for funding both with King County and the State.
All our best wishes to Sue Carter who just got out of the hospital due to a broken hip. She will be confined to her home for a number of weeks! Calls and cards welcome.

WORKSHOPS ON HERITAGE ISSUES

With the beginning of the Fall season everyone tries to do their training workshops! Melissa Thirloway attended one on the 2001-2003 Biennium - Capital Projects for Washington’s Heritage (potential funding for the Church) put on by the Heritage Resource Center. Barbara Loomis attended a session on ADA and Historic Buildings relative to Church access. Bob Burke and Alan Stein attended a Marketing Heritage Organizations workshop in Gig Harbor. Lots of good ideas!

Alan Stein and Vic Newhard attended an Eastside Roundtable at Marymoor Museum to begin discussions between the various historical societies about “Creating a Vision for an Eastside Heritage Museum.” An exciting idea!

In November there are three workshops! If you would like to attend one of these, KHS will pay for registration!

Oral History is our top priority, so we’d like 3 or 4 interest people to attend! Space is limited, so please call soon!

- Nov. 3-5 Foundation Development Workshop
  Aberdeen Washington
  Contact Bob Burke, 828-4095
- Nov. 6 Oral History Workshop
  MOHAI, Seattle
  Contact Nancy Stephens, 822-9475
- Nov 13 Video Workshop
  MOHAI, Seattle
  Contact either Bob or Nancy.

We also plan to begin working with neighborhood volunteers on doing histories of each of Kirkland’s neighborhoods for context statements and plans.

We will have our new white and burgundy KHS Logo Mugs for sale at our October Program
Support KHS and buy mugs for all your family and friends--Great Gifts!
Great Bargain!
1 for $4, 2 for $7 or 4 for $10

The Seattle Goodwill
Vintage Clothing Fashion Show

The Seattle Goodwill has accumulated an incredible collection of vintage clothing over the years. Come see our own Shannon Harris and her darling daughter Marin model fashions from the early 1900's, a time when there were petticoats and long dresses, parasols and flowery hats. An elegant time for the fashion world which promises to be an exquisite show.

Because of the expenses with this show we’re sorry but we need to ask for donations for attendance.

October 27th
7:00 p.m.
Kirkland Congregational Church Sanctuary
Donation Please
Audrey Hepburn and William Holden won the top Academy Awards last Thursday night but Lee Smith, formerly of Kirkland, packed away a trophy from the Biltmore in Los Angeles Sunday night that made Hepburn’s and Holden’s Oscars look like peanuts.

Edgar Lee Smith’s trophy was for hair-styling and it’s so big it will be hard to get it through the front door. It’s about three feet high and worth $1,700 in actual cash, let alone the distinction that goes with it.

Smith, 33, goes by the name of Mr. Lee. His dad, E. M. Smith, once was the proprietor of what is now Ward’s Beauty Salon but before Sadie moved to her new establishment on Central Way. Later Smith and Lee took over operation of the Washington Beauty College in Seattle where they still hold forth.

“Smith will get you nowhere,” said the dad, “So the boy changed his name to Mr. Lee. It carries a lot more weight.”

It carried more than weight with the judges of the International Congress of Beauty. Over 15,000 fans saw the hairstyles of 1954 unveiled at the Biltmore. It’s the World Series of hair-do fanciers. And when all the oh’s and ah’s were over, Lee had won the top award for the third straight year. Just like the New York Yankees.

Here’s how a Los Angeles newspaper put it:

“Yesterday afternoon, the Pampas Cut – a broader version of the familiar Italian style – was presented to the thousands of hair-stylists attending the meeting, sponsored by the Hollywood and Western States Hair Design Council.”

“A Seattle stylist made council history by winning, for the third straight year, the Challenge Cup competition for personal versions of the new style-setter.”

Presentation of the award last Sunday evening was made by Rita Moreno, who modeled the official version of the Pampas Cut.”

Lee attended Kirkland grade school and was graduated from Broadway High in Seattle. After serving three years in the Navy he went to the Washington Beauty College to work with his father, a former commander of the Warren O. Grimm post, Kirkland American Legion.
George Harris passed away August 20, 1999.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jo Ann, Patrick and Shannon and all of the family!

His memorial service truly celebrated his life - in music and remembrances from his children! Next spring when you will likely see a lot more of the colorful cosmos flowers blooming in our neighborhoods - think again of George - we all got packets of seed from his garden!

In the August Blackberry Preserves we discussed George’s $1,000 contribution to KHS for a bench associated with an interpretive marker near the church; his work on the new historic street signs which are now being installed, and his dreams of a more visible location for the Houghton Bell and interpretive markers about that historically important area in the development of Kirkland.

George! Thank You!

You will be missed, but not forgotten because of all of the reminders you have woven throughout the Kirkland community!
THE KHS BOOTH HAS ANOTHER FUN SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The Kirkland Heritage Society was well represented with our booth in Kirkland’s two big weekend, outdoor festivals this year. Summerfest in July, by the Kirkland Art Center, and the September Kirkland Taste, by the Chamber of Commerce, were well attended events we were glad to participate in.

Weather conditions couldn’t have been better. Many people came in the booth to see the picture displays, ask questions, and discover interesting facts of our community heritage. Visitors had stories to tell about their family attachments to the area. There were a number of potential new members taking the brochures with member application forms enclosed. Some purchased mounted pictures of historic Kirkland. During Summerfest the ice cold, old fashioned Sarsaparilla was most welcome in the heat of the day served out of Dale and Loita Hawkinson’s Y2K compliant, antique washing machine. We went through seven cases of the delicious beverage. Many visitors registered in the “were you born in the old Kirkland Hospital?” book. Also available was the shipment of special KHS mugs that arrived in time for the September “Taste of Kirkland”. A mock up of the historic street sign for Market and Picadilly drew much attention both weekends. Looking up the old historic street names was popular on the large street map. The Kirkland Women’s Club had a display promoting the memorial fountain to be installed in the old Kirkland cemetery.

The Kirkland Heritage Society booth couldn’t exist without the help of our volunteers. Many hard workers spent their valuable weekend time to make our two festival weekend showings a success. Thank you Charlotte Bates, Christina Brugman, Bob Burke, Angie Eggers, Sue Carter, Shannon Harris, Dale and Loita Hawkinson, Corrine Hieb (who brought in some of the Womens Club members to help), Barbara Loomis, Melissa Nelson, Betsy Pringle, Michael Radcliffe, Cathy Smith, Alan Stein, Nancy Stephens, Melissa Thrloway, Laura Westlund, and Velda Wilson. Thank you one and all for the generous giving of your time and hard work.

Vic Newhard, Chairman, booth committee

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

MAUREEN AND JIM BASKIN

FOR YOUR LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

THANK YOU SUPPORTING MEMBERS FOR YOUR RENEWALS

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CALENDAR

October 21
Oral History Meeting
Nancy Stephens’ house:
10208-126th Ave. NE
Call Nancy @ 822-9475 for more information.

October 27
KHS Board/Committee Chairs
6:00 p.m.
KHS Program:
7:00 p.m.

SEATTLE GOODWILL VINTAGE CLOTHING FASHION SHOW
Attend a fashion show featuring vintage clothing from the early 1900’s. The show will be in the sanctuary at the Kirkland Congregational Church. Because of the expenses incurred at this program we are asking for donations.

November 6, 10 - 5 p.m.
RUNWAY & CRAFTS MAIN EVENT SHOW & SALE
Good Shepherd Center, Wallingford. Call Historic Seattle for details: 206-622-6952

November
Program Cancelled
HAPPY THANKSGIVING

December 11
Christmas Social & Cookie Exchange
in one of Kirkland’s Historic Houses. Members only, you will get a notice in the mail.

Unless otherwise noted KHS meetings are held the last Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m., Kirkland Congregational Church, 106-5th Ave.

MEMBERSHIP FORM
July 1, 1998 - June 30, 2000

KHS now qualifies for tax exemption under 501(c)(3) and your contribution is deductible to the extent allowed by law. We now qualify for match contributions by those employers who offer this benefit.

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

TOTAL ENCLOSED: __________________________

Contact: __________________________

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:
- Archives and Collections
- Membership and Funding
- Monthly Programs
- Oral History
- Newsletter, Blackberry Preserves

Work on specific activity:
- Christian Science Church Renovation Funding: Pledge Drives, etc.
- Volunteers: Carpentry, Painting
- Community Events / Exhibits
- Home Tour
- Do Photography / Update Slides
- Video on Kirkland History
- School Education Program

Name
Address
City State Zip
Home# Work #
E-Mail
Organization/Firm

Checks should be made payable and mailed to:
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Anderson Shipyard, Houghton Washington, (Now Carillon Point) July 3, 1910
This has always been one of my favorite pictures because of the clothing styles of that era. Everyone has on a hat! Be sure and attend the KHS Vintage Fashion Show October 27. See inside for details.

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