A dignified Eliza Crane Clark represents one of the many pre Peter Kirk Era woman who helped settle the eastside. Seen here in 1927 when Mrs. Clark was 73. She died in Kirkland on January 30, 1930. Mr. Martin Clark died in 1912. They both rest in the Kirkland Cemetery with the 3 children that died during the 1885 diphtheria epidemic.

Photo from the Patty Fessenden Bernhardt Collection. Patty is the great granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clark.
Kirkland celebrates Founders Week each February during the week that Peter Kirk’s February 16th birthday falls. The Mayor gives a proclamation and KHS has the center display case at City Hall for the month of February. For 2011, Founders Week is February 13 – 19.

This year, we are making more of a statement during Founders Week. Fifteen downtown businesses will participate by placing a metal photo sign in their window. This sign will have a photo of their business or building in another era and will include a bit of history. Because Kirkland was founded in 1888, many of the businesses are offering a Founders Week Promotion by having a service or item for $18.88. This will hopefully be the first of many Founders Week self guided Historic Walking Tours in Kirkland. Plans are to add more businesses and include Juanita.

The 2011 Founders Week participants are: A Touch of Class, Bella Tesori/Bella Bambini, Beadworld, Bikini Beach, Cafe Happy, Design Within Reach, Grape Choice, Hallmark Real Estate, Hectors, Howard/Mandville Gallery, Ristorante Paradiso, Soul Ease Holistic Yoga Spa & Art Gallery, The Slip, Trendz Nail Bar, Zoka.

Barbara Loomis has resigned from KHS as of January 1, 2011. It was Barb who maintained the records of the Kirkland Historic Commission during its 3 year hiatus and then restarted the Commission in 1992 as more historic properties were being torn down. KHS thanks Barb for her years of service. Barb’s resignation opens up a board at-large position. Please consider joining KHS. All terms end in June so it is a good opportunity to test the waters.

Matt McCauley’s book, A Look to the Past: Kirkland, is becoming a regional best seller. If purchased from Parkplace Books, Matt or KHS, KHS will receive $3 per copy. Matt has requested that these funds be used to purchase Kirkland photos and ephemera that have left the area and need to be brought home.

CACHET (Collaboration of Arts Culture History Education Theatre) will be hosting their spring meeting at Heritage Hall on Monday March 7 at 5:30 p.m. On behalf of Kirkland Heritage Society, I have been asked to speak a bit about the building and KHS members have been requested to meet & greet the guests. The 1st Annual Kirkland Cultural Council and Mayor’s Award will be announced. KHS has been asked to nominate an event or person that made an impact in 2010. Please attend and show CACHET members the downstairs space and cheer for our nominee. Parking should be easier to find since the boat trailer restrictions do not start until April.

You may notice that Stu Clark and Mark Amick have traded Committee and Board Positions. This was approved by the board last December. Stu’s participation is exactly the same but he is now the Controller. Mark is now the Treasurer, which is the board position with voting rights. If either resigns, the other will be treasurer. May sound confusing but this is an important position and it is a comfort to have two people watching over KHS funds.

Lynette Weber & Cathy Radcliff at the Cookie Exchange
KHS Monthly Meeting
7:00 p.m. Heritage Hall
January 26, 2011

Steve Rodrigues will bring us up to date on his 13,000 + mile trip across our country from Olympia Washington to Washington D.C. making the trip to bring awareness of the Kalakala’s status of a National Treasure. The Kalakala is the world’s first streamlined ferry built on Lake Washington and served on Puget Sound. His trip has been very rewarding and exciting and he will share all with us.

Kalakala envelope
Seal from the American Veterans.

Thank you Betty Gaudy

February 24, 2011
Thursday, at the Woman’s Club
7:00 p.m.

An evening rich with the history of the Woman’s Club meeting Hall & its place in the History of Kirkland. Members & the general public are welcome to give testimony of their knowledge & memories of the Women’s Club historic building. This is a rare opportunity to observe & partake in the County’s Landmarking process of one of Kirkland’s historic buildings. Please join us.

Please note the change of date and place in February

Cookie Exchange Attendees

2010 Cookie Exchange

Rosalie & Craig Shriner made everyone feel welcome as they shared their 1890 historic Joshua Montgomery Sears home.

Anita & Dale

Lifelong friends, Joanne and Mary share a treat, a memory and a chair.

Dave and Betty
Clark/Patty family
by Loita Hawkinson

One year ago Kirkland Heritage Society had little history on the historic Patty family. They are an impressive family because two brothers served for the Union during the Civil War and then found themselves with much of their family in Kirkland. Obed Patty had 3 children and John Patty had 9. Arline Ely gave us our only insight and nothing as been added in these 35 years.

A small part of the new John Patty history was reported in the July/August 2010 BP after the Brooks/Patty family loaned three collections. The John Patty’s arrived during the Steel Works boom and then married into the families of the earlier pioneers giving them even deeper roots. Now the Obed Patty family has come forward with the donation of photos and memories. Obed’s son, Ollis came to Kirkland in 1903 for a short visit with his cousins, one of them being Belle Patty Brooks. He met and married Lutie Clark, daughter of Eliza and Martin Clark, giving this family deep historic roots. Lutie’s three older siblings died of diphtheria during an epidemic that hit the NW (reported in July/August 2009 issue). Lutie was the first graduate of the new Kirkland High School in 1905 and their daughter, Alice, was the first to be a second-generation graduate in 1926. Ollis Patty was Kirkland’s treasurer for over forty years.

All this is well-documented history. But KHS lacked photos of this family. Thanks to the grandchildren of Ollis and Lutie, we now have a face for the young mother Eliza Clark and the older distinguished Eliza Clark. We have photos of Lutie. And there is more. The family of daughter Alice Fessenden has donated the 1906 wedding book belonging to Ollis and Lutie. The guest list is a who’s who of Kirkland. We now have yearbooks from Alice and Stella Patty. Most of our yearbooks came from the Kirkland library so many do not have signatures. These yearbooks are filled with messages and names. There are several scrapbooks and diaries of Stella and Alice, which are filled with rare glimpses of history. It was Stella who was accidentally shot while working at the Gateway Theatre when a bullet ricocheted off the sidewalk. It had been a warning shot to stop two delinquent Kirkland youth. The bullet was next to her spine so she lived the rest of her life with that bullet. Alice Patty wrote two memoirs about her family. One was about the last visit she made to her grandparents homestead. The home had burned but the flowers and out-buildings remained. It is a bitter/sweet memoir and will eventually be printed in a booklet. The other is about her Grandpa Obed through the eyes of a loving grandchild. It too will be a booklet when time allows.

The families of Lutie and Ollis Clark have placed a great deal of trust in KHS for the safekeeping of their family collections. There are many heirs that could have come forward and asked they not be donated. We thank them for their confidence. Just as we thank all of you who have donated your one-of-a-kind family treasures that were preserved by the generations before you.

Eliza Crane Clark with her children Lutie, Margaret, and Charlie about 1888. Lucy was called Lutie because her three older siblings could not say Lucy. In this small way, these children were honored after their tragic deaths. Lutie used her childhood name her entire life.
Jerry Marsh
1923 to 2010
KPC said it all. And his award winning smile will be missed.

Notice to all KHS Members & Interested Citizens
The King County Landmarks Commission, acting on behalf of the City of Kirkland, will hold a public hearing to consider the nomination of the Kirkland Woman’s Club meeting hall as a City Landmark. The meeting will take place on Thursday, February 24, 2011 at the Woman’s Club located at 407 1st Street, starting at 7:00 p.m. The meeting is being hosted by Kirkland Heritage Society and the Woman’s Club.

During the evening, KHS will formally welcome the new City Manager, Kurt Triplett, to the community. Prior to Kurt joining the City of Kirkland, he worked with King County for 17 years. Lynette Weber, King County Landmarks Commissioner.

A Look To The Past: Kirkland,
Mark your calendars for February 10. This will be a special evening at Parkplace Books, 348 Parkplace in Kirkland, dedicated to Kirkland’s Past. The Parkplace owners will be rolling out their famous hospitality and refreshments and I will be giving a presentation. People are encouraged to bring in their old Kirkland photos, materials and memories to share as well! More info as it develops, so stay tuned and I hope to see you there! Matt.

Joanne and Matt checking the facts during the annual Cookie Exchange.

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THANK YOU TO:
Charles Christenson, step-son of Dick Everest, for hand delivering the Everest Collection earlier last year. It is Charles’s daughter, Sarah, who donated the collection. Sarah Jane Everest Christenson is the namesake of Dick Everest. Please stop in to view the Everest baptism gowns that were worn in 1894 and 1905 by Dick and his little sister, Kathryn Thankful. Albert Everest, Dick’s father, came to Kirkland in 1888 and was Kirkland’s first interior decorator. He wallpapered and painted the homes built during Kirkland’s original building boom. A WWI vet, it was Dick Everest who chose the Fort Jackson ship to be the American Legion clubhouse. And it was Dick Everest who originally purchased the typewriter donated by Chuck Morgan’s family. Mr. Everest owned and published the East Side Journal for many years. The Fort Jackson sign, the 1926 typewriter and the gowns are all displayed at Heritage Hall. The typewriter is sitting on the oak Central School desk and has paper so you can try it out.

Betty McClintick Gaudy for mailing a package with photos, Kirkland Junior High fire history, family history and holiday seals that featured the Kalakala and all things NW. Betty lives in Arizona but keeps close tabs of Kirkland.

Marilyn Timmerman Johnson for Kirkland photos. Marilyn and Andy were caretakers of the Civic Center and lived in the Caretakers apartment. And Marilyn had the foresight to photograph the Peter and Irene Primeau family home before it was torn down to make room for a fire station.

Laura Westlund for more aerial views of Kirkland. Among them are photos of the Carillon Point area during construction.

Jacquelyn Watt, Jacque to some of us, has the spirit of adventure and has taken up sailing with husband Bob. Jacque has written a memoir on their trip through the inside pas-
sage. Journal Entries of a Trepid Sailor is shelved in the local authors but is also regional history.

Ray Lincoln has donated his copy of From Birdland to Broadway by Bill Crow. Bill Crow is a KHS grad and discovered Jazz in high school. Bill continues to play jazz out of New York. He plays about anything but bass is his instrument. Thank you Ray. This book is shelved with the local authors.

Louis Marsh’s niece, Pat Struble of Neillsville, WI and her daughter Tamara Stone of Bainbridge spent an afternoon at the KHS Resource Center and shared history and photos. Pat spent a lot of time with Louie and learned a lot of family history. Louie Marsh also gave photos to his niece and now Pat has copied them and given copies to KHS. Both Pat and Tamara helped in identifying some details in the Jerry Marsh Collection as well. Louie Marsh gave family much of the Marsh Mansion furniture before he died. It is fun to know just where it all went.

Link and Virginia Kaiser donated a family history book written by Link. Lincoln A. Kaiser was born and grew up in Sundance, Wyoming during the great depression. The first chapters of the What Became of the Sundance Kids tell of the struggles in Wyoming. In 1939, Link made his way to Washington State and when not quite 21 years old, purchased a chicken ranch on Rose Hill. His mother and grandmother soon joined Link and the last third of the 238 page memoir is dedicated to Kirkland during the time of the depression and leading up to WWII. Rich Kirkland history with names of families and businesses. Not a word is fiction. Thank you Link Kaiser for this history book that gives a glimpse into the life of one Kirkland family. Many of you will remember that Link was the Kirkland Post Master for many years. This wonderful book is shelved with Kirkland history at the Resource Center.

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Ollis Patty and family in 1922 on a camping trip to Leechelus Lake. The Ford truck has dealer plates because Ollis Patty had an Ford dealership in Kirkland. The front of the truck has a pennant that has: **Kirkland the Gateway to Seattle**. This Gateway to Seattle theme was started by the Kirkland Land Company and was continued by Burke & Farrar. Photo from the Patty Fessenden Bernhardt Collection. Ollis was Patty’s grandpa.