This is the Walter and Mary Williams home as seen in the November 21, 1948 *Seattle Times Rotogravure*. Built in 1890 for the Kirkland Founder, the home was owned by Mr. & Mrs. Clay Burnard in 1948.
PRESIDENT’S LETTER
Loita Hawkinson

It has been a wonderful summer in Kirkland. The 2013 SummerFest was a huge success and I don’t remember KHS ever getting as much traffic or compliments. Don’t know if it was the new location, the weather, nostalgia or a combination, but we are already excited about next year. Remember….we need to order 7 cases of Sarsaparilla next year!!! We ran out early this year with 5 cases.

Phase 2 of the Historic Properties Inventory is well on its way thanks to KHS volunteers who returned from working Phase 1 last year.

Linda Jaton and Karen Schickling are working at scheduling programs for 2014. We are still in need of a historic home to host the 2013 Holiday Cookie Exchange. Please call the hall if you have any suggestions.

Janeen Ryseff has kept Sid busy picking Blackberries and they will be contributing most of the berries for this year’s Ice Cream Social. There will be some strained berries for those who need to avoid those pesky seeds.

People were in the mood for a taste from the past

Nancy Williams Bell
1931 - 2013

Nancy was the granddaughter of Walter and Mary Williams. Walter Williams was secretary to Peter Kirk in England and in Kirkland. They remained lifelong friends. Nancy’s membership reminded us how new our local history is. She remembered being doted on by the Kirk daughters. Nancy loaned KHS entire albums to be scanned and documented. The Williams family owned the land that became the Juanita Golf Course and is now Juanita Bay. Called Glandwr, “by the water” in Welch, the Williams family lived there in 1888 until their brick home was ready. Later, it was their summer retreat. Glandwr was sold to Guy Farrar after the death of Mrs. Williams in 1927.

In this June 2011 photo, Nancy is pointing at her grandfather with his conducting baton. The Williams family is known for their musical talent.

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. Both are available at Parkplace Books.
KHS Monthly Meeting

Last Wednesday of the month
7:00 p.m.
Heritage Hall
203 Market Street

September 25, 2013

Anne Payne, Historian from St. John’s Episcopal Church will tell the history of St. Johns.

Followed by:
Guest speakers: Julie Koler, King County Historic Preservation Officer & Todd Scott, King County Historic Preservation Architect.

Followed by:
Blackberry Sundaes in genuine fountain dishes

October 30, 2013

Members from the Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound will present “The Man Who Dreamed Too Much” which is a program from the old “The Shadow” radio series.

Just perfect for Halloween Eve.

Karen Schickling started a Facebook account named Kirkland Heritage Society and Museum. If you use Facebook, please give us a look and offer suggestions. You can go directly from the KHS website.

Kirkland Historic Property Inventory
Lynette Friberg Weber

Phase 2 of the Historic Property Inventory has begun! Kirkland’s newly annexed areas properties built prior to 1950 are now being surveyed. They will individually be added to the City’s comprehensive list if remaining architecturally intact compared to the original structure as well as on the State Database called Wizaard.

Volunteers for Phase 2 are Loita Hawkinson, Glenn Landguth, Vic Newhard, David Sherbrooke, and Lynette Weber. The Cultural Resource Consultant is Mimi Sheridan.

When researching the architectural integrity of a historic structure, one begins to understand that this is more than just a building. This is the living memory of our Kirkland fathers & founding families. Without them, we would not be the community that stands today, that we all know & love. In essence, we are preserving their memory, not just their homes of yesteryear.

You all are invited to the September 25th KHS Annual Blackberry Sundae Social at Heritage Hall. A presentation will be made that evening by King County Historic Preservation officers explaining the whys and wherefores of the Historic Property Inventory Project as well as touching upon the criteria and incentives of owning a Landmarked property in Kirkland. Hope to see you all there!
Col. Stiles & Almeda Nettleton  
by Loita Hawkinson

When the Nettleton name is mentioned in Kirkland, people mostly think of the Nettleton Mansion on State Street and its original owner, Clark Nettleton who once owned the Post Intelligencer. But there is much more to the Nettleton Family.

Stiles and Almeda Nettleton moved to Seattle with their seven children in 1889. The Nettletons either joined the work force or continued in school. Slowly they moved to Kirkland. The four girls all became teachers, often teaching in Kirkland and Houghton. We know two were living in Kirkland as early as 1901 and by 1910, all but one daughter were living on State Street. Elva, the oldest Nettleton child had married Edgar Turner and they lived in Bothell at what is now called Turner’s Corner.

Stiles and Almeda are buried in the Kirkland Cemetery as are many other family descendents. So you can image the frustration of having no photographs of this pioneering family.

With all the digital access, it is possible to track family as they marry, live and pass away. But as with many families, obituaries are often skipped. Therefore, the closer I got to the current generation, the less I learned. I finally had to shelf my research and hope family would contact KHS.

You can imagine the excitement I felt when a message at the KHS Resource Center asked if we would be interested in a signed photograph of Harry Langdon. I immediately returned the call only to learn that the photo was in California, Harry had been a close friend of her grandfather Edgar Turner and that her grandmother was Elva Nettleton. The callers name was also Elva.

Today, KHS has a collection of 26 photographs and documents of the Nettleton family. Major Nettleton served with distinction during the Civil War. He worked for the U.S. Government and for Washington State. He was also involved in the newspaper business…that paper is the Minneapolis Tribune. It was no accident that his son Clark Nettleton became secretary to Leigh S.J. Hunt, Kirkland Founder and, owner of the PI during the Kirk Era.

There are still many unanswered questions about the Nettleton’s on State Street. The Mansion was built in 1914 but Stiles Nettleton also had an impressive home. This home is long gone, but we hope someone will remember this home and who eventually lived there. Dr. McKibben grew up one block south of this home.
In this 17th of the series, we learn the names of the 1910 stock holders of the Kirkland Land Company. That Burke & Farrar bought all of Kirkland was not exactly correct. It would be a few years before the Estate of J. Montgomery Sears would sell. The Sears Estate still owned almost half of Kirkland, mostly in what is now the Norkirk Neighborhood.

Clark M.  Jennie, wife of Clark
Stiles, Jr.  Hiram
Mabel  Elva Turner

For almost 70 years, members of the Nettleton family lived in Kirkland.
THANK YOU TO:

Margie Denton and Janeen Ryseff

Betty and Dave Roberts

Betsy Pringle & Janeen
Janeen worked two shifts

Jerry Sampont confessed a few
of his youthful sins to Officers
Knafla & Zablan. View his “true
confessions” on the KHS website.
It is pure fun.

Pam Owens & Dave Sherbrooke

Vic Newhard & Karen Schickling

Wayne & Linda Jaton

Dave Sherbrooke hauled the
“fixings” to and from the hall. He
thinks we can be more organized
next year......😊😊😊😊.
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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.

Webmaster: The late Dale W. Hawkinson.

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This Market Street photo was used in the November 21, 1948 *Seattle Times Rotogravure*. The magazine section featured 7 pages of Kirkland History. Many of the historic photos used are in the hands of KHS.