30 October 2003  
Historic Resource Addendum for:  
CLARK HALL  

HISTORY  
Clark Hall was constructed in 1899. The architects were Josehans and Allan. The building was one of two projects including Lewis Hall, for which $50,000 was appropriated by the state legislature to construct dormitories. Both buildings are named for the explorers. Both buildings were sited in the Oval Plan, also known as the Fuller Plan of 1898.

Clark Hall served as a dormitory for women until 1936, except for an interlude during World War I when it was loaned to the Navy for use as an officers’ hospital. After 1936 it functioned as the original student union building until the present student center, the HUB was completed in 1952. Since 1952 Clark Hall has hosted the Air Force, Army and Navy ROTC programs of the university. (Source: “the campus guide, University of Washington, An Architectural Tour” by Norman Johnston.)

DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING  
The Hall is of brick construction with minimal embellishment. The exterior retains most of its original character except that the turrets flanking the main entrance have been removed. The bays remain, but the pyramid roofs have been removed. Remodeling of the interior has removed any architectural character that might have originally existed.

LANDSCAPE AND OPEN SPACE  
Clark Hall was sited to take advantage of views of the Cascades and Lake Washington and later became a part of the oval plan of 1898 for the campus along with the still remaining Lewis Hall and Denny Hall. The building fronts on Skagit Lane and is surrounded on the north and east by Stevens Way. To the south is a pedestrian way, open space and an American elm (Almus Americana), historic for its lineage as a scion of the tree in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where in 1775 George Washington assumed the leadership of the Continental Army. It replaced an earlier elm on the campus hit by lighting, and in turn provided a replacement for the one in Cambridge, which suffered a similar fate. (Source, Norman J. Johnston, The Campus Guide, University of Washington.)  
(remainder to be provided by Bill Talley)

SCOPE OF THE PROPOSED RENOVATION  
It has two roof types; asphalt shingled, steeply pitched main roof section and two flat sections at the “bay window” flanking the front entry. The front entry canopy also has a flat roof. All flat areas have membrane type roofing systems. All flashing, parapet coping and roof accessories are copper. Drainage is by copper gutters and copper downspouts with conductor heads.
The roof and flashing will be replaced and gutters and downspouts replaced as needed. It is unlikely that the pyramid roofs over the bays will be replaced, but replacement will be considered.

POTENTIAL MITIGATION MEASURES
If feasible, the pyramid roofs over the bays removed in the 1950's will be replaced.

Apparently the original roof materials were wood shingles. It is not anticipated to replace the asphalt shingles with wood. It is likely that the replacement will be asphalt shingles (to be determined.)
### 1. Name

**COMMON:**
Clark Hall

**AND/OR HISTORIC:**

### 2. Location

**STREET AND NUMBER:**
University of Washington

**CITY OR TOWN:**
Seattle, 98105

**STATE:**
Washington

### 3. Classification

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**PRESENT USE:**
- [ ] Agricultural
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- [ ] Religious
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- [ ] Scientific

### 4. Owner of Property

**OWNER'S NAME:**
Board of Regents, University of Washington

**STREET AND NUMBER:**
University of Washington

**CITY OR TOWN:**
Seattle, 98105

**STATE:**
Washington

### 5. Location of Legal Description

**COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:**
King County Auditor's Office

**STREET AND NUMBER:**
County Courthouse

**CITY OR TOWN:**
Seattle, 98104

**STATE:**
Washington

### 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

**TITLE OF SURVEY:**
Municipal Art Commission, list of Historic Buildings

**DATE OF SURVEY:**
1968

**DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:**
Municipal Art Commission

**STREET AND NUMBER:**
Seattle Municipal Building

**CITY OR TOWN:**
Seattle, 98104

**STATE:**
Washington

**CODE:**
53
Clark Hall is a buff brick building of two stories and basement and attic. It was partially gutted by fire in the 1960's but is soon to be remodeled. It is a typical late Victorian architecture of the 1890's. It has solid masonry walls 14" thick.

The exterior of the building remains unaltered, but the spaces and finishing inside have been changed, and recently fire damaged.
Clark Hall, designed in 1896 by architects Josenhans and Allan was built to house 50 women students. The space was arranged in suites of two bedrooms and a study for every 3 to 4 students.

The building was a twin to Lewis Hall and cost the same: $25,000. Clark Hall had the dining facility in the basement for both dorms.

The building was originally called Pierrepont Hall, but became Clark during the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition which utilized the University campus in 1909.

In 1917 both Lewis and Clark were naval officers hospitals since the U.S. Navy had a station on lower campus.

In a remodel of the building in 1936, Clark became offices for the Associated Students. In the 1950's, it became the ROTC headquarters, and when serving thus, became the target of activist dissent and arson in the 1960's.

Clark was one of the first buildings on the campus when it moved to this site in 1893. It, and Lewis were placed to give residents a view of Lake Washington through the trees. The building is late Victorian, yet honest, simple and pleasing in proportion and scale. It is of sentimental attachment to students and particularly to the older alumni of the University of Washington.
Jones, John Paul, The History of the Development of the Present Campus Plan for the University of Washington, Seattle University of Washington, 1940.


10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY

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APPARENT ACREAGE OF Nominated PROPERTY: 0.3

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Margaret A. Corley, King County Liaison

ORGANIZATION: Seattle Historical Society

DATE: June, '69

STREET AND NUMBER: 2161 East Hamlin Street

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, 98102

STATE: Washington

CODE: 53

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National ☐ State ☑ Local ☐

Name: Charles H. Odegard

Title: Director, Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission

Date

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register

Date