

Points of Interest

TRULY HOUSE—THE BOONE FAMILY RANCH HOUSE



Built in 1888, the Boone Family Ranch House was the original homestead of George Wilson, an early settler in the Sammamish Valley area. After Wilson's death in 1916, Benjamin Boone, a prominent northwest pioneer, Bothell citizen, and a descendent of Daniel Boone's brother, Squire, purchased the ranch house along with the land that is now the site of The University of Washington, Bothell/Cascadia Community College co-located campus. Benjamin, and his wife, Lila, began the first of three additions to the home in 1924. Two years after Ben Boone's death in 1960 Lila transferred ownership of the ranch house to her youngest daughter, Beverly Boone Truly and Beverly's husband, Richard Truly. The house was continually occupied by members and friends of the Boone/Truly family until the sale of the property in 1996. The co-located campus has retained this ranch house in honor of the Boone Family and of the site's history which included ranching, farming, duck hunting, and growing alfalfa, clover, and corn for cattle. The rose garden adjacent to the house commemorates Beverly Boone Truly's love of roses.

- Originally stood in the area the library/media center now occupies
- The house became the center of the Boone-Truly ranch, a 500-acre western operation with pure bred cattle
- Annual branding round-up in October - a three to four day occasion
- In 1996, the state purchased the land to build UWB/CCC; classes began at the new Bothell campus in 2000
- Moved the house in 1997 in order to build the campus and have space
- The two-story house features Craftsman architecture with a stately verandah, windows with original wavy and rippled panes, plus a cooler room just off the kitchen for hanging sides of beef
- House is not in its final resting place - the building will eventually be moved down near Chase House
- The House has been internally transformed to house the Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences Graduate office

THE CHASE HOUSE – NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES



The small house near the freeway on the UWB/CCC campus was originally occupied by Dr. Reuben Chase, Bothell's first doctor. A Civil War veteran, Dr. Chase moved to Bothell in 1889. A typical charge for a house call and medicine was \$1.50, but he often accepted produce or meat in lieu of cash and even built a fruit drier and smokehouse for his surplus "pay".

- Dr. Chase arrived in 1889 in response to a typhoid fever epidemic - credited with stopping epidemic
- Used house as both an office and the community's first hospital
- Chase House was restored during development of the University of Washington, Bothell/Cascadia Community College
- Placed on the State and National Register of Historic Places due to its historic architectural integrity and its association with a significant figure in Bothell's past