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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

Wow, what happened to June? It seems like the month just flew by! There were lots of busy activities during the month including the end of the school year for many students and all of their teachers. Since I have two teachers in my family, I can share with you, with some authority, that teachers look forward to the summer vacation just as much as the students. However, I also must relate that teachers are just as busy with end-of-the-year projects as their students. Even I got drafted to do some grading of semester finals to help my wife finish all of her work in time! Just shows that everybody was busy...

Of course, your Board of Directors has been busy, too. We have worked hard to finalize the plans for our move to the Kirkland Teen Center for our General Meetings. As I hope you know by now, our first meeting there will be for our KEGabuck\$ Auction on July 14th. The auction will start at 7:00 p.m. As always, it will be preceded by Steve's Technology SIG that meets before the General Meetings. It should be an exciting evening and I hope to see each of you there.

During this same busy period, your Board also agreed to buy a couple of new computers for support of the SIGs at the Bellevue Senior Center and the General Meetings at the Kirkland Teen Center. As you may know, the computer that we were using at the Bellevue Center, the one on the roll-around cart, was not adequate to support more demanding programs like those demonstrated in the Entertainment and Technology SIG and the Digital Imaging SIG. Therefore, our technical experts made sure that the new PC that we bought for that facility would be sufficiently powerful to support the need of all SIGs for some time.

Lately, I have been busy contacting numerous vendors in search of donations for our KEGabuck\$ Auction. In these tough economic times, finding donations has been rough. However, quite a few vendors have come through so I think you will find a good cross-section of different products to bid on at the auction. Bring all of the KEGabuck\$ that you have accumulated and have a great time. The KEGabuck\$ that you earned through attendance at SIGs during the past year will be handed out at the door when you check in.

If you need directions to the Kirkland facility, check our web site. It has both verbal directions and maps to help those that are more visually oriented, like I am.

That's it for this month. I hope you all had a happy and safe 4th of July and trouble-free computing. I'll see you at the next meeting. Respectfully,

Ron Cowger President



K.E.G.S. July General Meeting

The KEGABUCK\$ Auction

It's time get back something for all those hours you spent with us.

Come get your bucks and have a ball

Don't forget that we will be at the Kirkland Teen Union Building for the very first time this month.

KEGS General Meeting And Associated SIGs

KEGS T-shirts

Remember, you score extra KEGABUCK\$ when you wear your KEGS shirts to SIGS and the General Meetings! We still have a few left of various sizes. Then we will order more. So why wait? Pick yours up at the next general meeting.

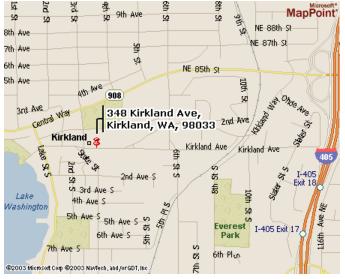
Meetings at the Kirkland Teen Union Building - 348 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033

Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
2nd Monday	6 PM - 7 PM	Kirkland Teen Union Building	Technology Corner betacode@hotmail.com	Steve Fondren
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Kirkland Teen Union Building	KEGS General Meeting	
2nd Monday	9:30 PM - ? PM	We're still working on a new location for this SIG	Pig SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey

DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS: From I-405, take the N.E. 85th ST. exit (exit number 18) toward KIRK-LAND (headed West). Immediately move to the center lane and take a left at the first light onto Kirkland Way (If you went right you would be on 114th Ave NE). Just stay on Kirkland Way and it will turn into Kirkland Ave.

The Kirkland Teen Union Building is part of a string of connected buildings. Right at the street is Kirkland's Performing Arts Center, then comes the Kirkland Senior Center and farthest from the street is The Kirkland Teen Union Building.

There is a parking area to the West of this building but you can also park in the Kirkland Library's covered parking area just a little farther to the West (1/4 block past the Performing Arts Center).





KEGS SIG Meetings:

NEW SIG CHART

Notice that our SIG chart no longer lists actual dates. Please check your calendars for the date of the upcoming meeting that you want to attend.

Contact the SIG leaders to find out what presentations that they have planned for their upcoming meetings.

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Meetings at the North Bellevue Community Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA

Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Technology & Entertainment philbar45@attbi.com	Phil Keairns 425-222-7130
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	NBCC Computer Lab Support <u>j_m_mraz@hotmail.com</u>	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Video & Animation philbar45@attbi.com	Phil Keairns 425-222-7130
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Quick Books sarah@abcsupport.com	Sarah Gunderson 425-485-3437
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	WIN 95/98/XP/?? daviddodge1@compuserve.com	David Dodge
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Laptop SIG ctheprof@aol.com	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
3rd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Peachtree Accounting pearls1@qwest.net	Pearl I. Campbell 425-641-1334
3rd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Beginners Hardware <u>i_m_mraz@hotmail.com</u> (Computer repair & maintenance)	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Small Office / Home Office r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Seattle Internet User Group philbar45@attbi.com	Phil Keairns 425-222-7130
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Digital Imaging SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	HTML SIG jack@webwitch.com	Jack Beslanwich 206-723-9960

Meetings at locations other than the North Bellevue Community Center

1st Tuesday	6:15 PM - 9 PM	Microsoft's Redmond Campus Building 34, the Quinalt Rm Redmond, WA	Access SIG Teresa@eade.com See their WEB site at http://www.eade.com/AccessKEGS/	Teresa Eade 425-482-1021
Almost every Tues. Almost every Sat.	7 PM - 9 PM 10:30 AM - 12:30	Easter Seals of Washington 157 Roy St. Seattle, WA	Hardware SIG rockybay@scn.org (Building & Configuring Computers for the physically challenged)	Malcolm Taran 206-888-5848

Parking is limited at Easter Seals. Please contact Malcolm before going for the first time.)

SIG Meeting Locations:

All small groups meet at the Bellevue Community Center unless noted as below.

- * Access meets at the Microsoft Redmond Campus, in Building 34, the Quinalt Room
- ** Easter Seals meets at the downtown location 157 Roy St. Seattle
- *** Board Meetings are held at the home of Joe Mraz (j_m_mraz@hotmail.com for directions)

Finding our primary SIG meeting location

DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS: Thanks to the improvements to SR 520, you may now use the new NE 40th St exit. If you are driving towards Redmond, exit and turn left to go over the overpass. If you are coming from Redmond, exit and turn right. Go to 148th Ave NE, and turn right. In very short order, you will see the North Bellevue Community / Senior Center sign on the left side of the roadway.



History & Contact info:

KEGS was formed in late 1996 to meet the needs of personal computer users in the Greater Seattle Area. KEGS is a nonprofit organization that holds its general meetings on the second Thursday of each month.

In addition, KEGS sponsors a number of special interest groups (SIGs) that meet regularly to share common interests, learn new techniques, and resolve questions about the use of personal computer hardware, accessories, or software.

For a detailed listing of our SIG's, updated information about KEGS activities, and more, please see our web site at:

http://www.kegs.org.

Contact us at: 2616 171st Ave SE Bellevue WA 98008 425-747-2433 info@kegs.org

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