Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

I hope that each of you had a good time at the KEGaBuck$ Auction at the June General Meeting. There were lots of items up for bid and some of them went for healthy amounts of KEGaBuck$. According to my notes, each of the following items went for bids of more than 5000 KEGaBuck$: the Microsoft Power Point pointer, the one-year subscription to Smart Computing magazine, the Harman/Kardon H/K595 Base/woofer with a pair of side speakers, and the photo printer. Congratulations to the successful bidders on all of the items that were won during the Auction. I hope that you enjoy your new software and/or hardware.

For some of you folks who left the Auction early, you might want to know that we had to draw at least three numbers before we hit upon a ticket for a member who was present to give him the combination printer, FAX and scanner. If you were interested in this great door prize, perhaps you should have stuck around. Our auctioneers did a great job of pre-senting all of the items up for bids and the auction concluded by 9:00 so that we could finish the meeting by our normal quitting time. I want to thank everyone who worked on the Auction as it went smoothly, it was well organized and I think everyone had a good time. A member who worked behind the scenes to help track and compile the KEGaBuck$ that we all earned was Judy Panjeti. She worked hard to make up new SIG attendance sheets that we've used since last June and then developed a very efficient routine to compile each member's totals before the Auction. Her work saved many hours on the project. Great job! All of the members of KEGS sincerely appreciate the efforts of those members who put the various parts of the Auction together.

As I mentioned in the paragraph above, KEGS was able to give away a free subscription to Smart Computing since five members cited their membership in KEGS when they sub-scribed or renewed their subscriptions to the magazine during the last year. If you are a subscriber, please remember to include the KEGS membership number whenever you re-new. The numbers that you need to give to Sandhills Publishing whenever you subscribe or renew your subscription to any of their various computer magazines are shown on the first page of the KEGS website. Please remember to use them so that your user group earns credit toward free subscriptions in the future. It doesn't cost you a cent to include your user group membership data in your subscription information.

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I think that you will find the presentation at the July General Meeting very interesting. We will have a presentation from an FBI agent on cyber security. He will cover various types of Internet based criminal activities such as hacking, violation of intelligent property rights, fraud schemes and other activities of interest to our group. The last time that we had an FBI agent speak to our group several years ago, it was one of our most popular presentations of the year. I hope that you will attend this meeting to learn more about the risks on the Internet and the things that we should all do to protect ourselves and our computers from them.

Again, I will mention KEGS membership. Our group membership is now up to sixty-one computer enthusiasts so we are just three short of the level at which we finished last year. However, with six more months in which to recruit new members, I genuinely hope that we can continue to grow as the year goes on. I strongly encourage you to invite friends or family members to attend a KEGS meeting or two to see if they are interested in joining. I'm convinced that we have something to offer any computer enthusiast. Remember, the more members that we have the better it is for all of us.

That's it for now. I hope to see each of you at the General Meeting and at your favorite SIG soon. Happy and safe computing!

Ron Cowger
President

KEGS General Meeting
And Associated SIGs

General 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	Outback Steakhouse 12120 NE 85 th, Kirkland	Pig SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-996-5635

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:

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

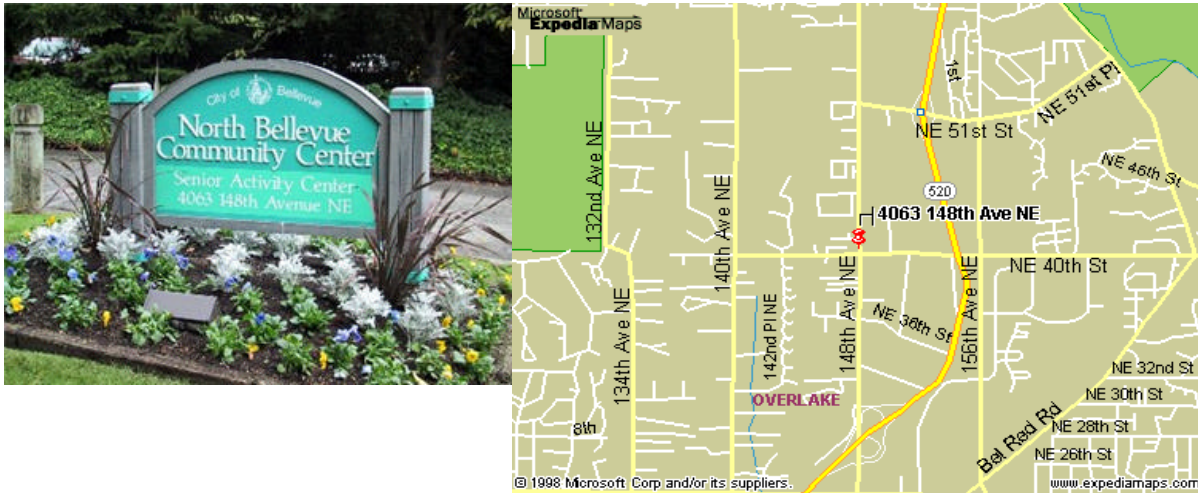| Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	NBCSC Computer Lab Support j_m_mraz@hotmail.com	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Seattle Internet User Group seasigi@kegs.org	Marianne Wilkins
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room 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	Computer Lab	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue j_m_mraz@hotmail.com (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
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Digital Imaging SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-996-5635
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	HTML SIG jack@webwitch.com	Jack Beslanwich 206-723-9960

SIG Meeting Locations:

Please note that the KEGS Board meetings are not held at our General Meeting or SIG meeting locations

- KEGS Board Meetings are currently held at Executive Real Estate's Bellevue office at 20 Lake Bellevue, Bellevue, WA. (Board meetings are public and open to anyone who wants to attend.)

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 Monday 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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