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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

As I write this month's column for the Newsletter, the last holiday weekend of the summer, Labor Day, is approaching. The forecasters say that the weather is going to be good so we can all enjoy the many outdoor activities associated with the end of summer. It's time for most kids, and some of our grandkids, to return to school so it will be a little quieter around the neighborhood during the hours that school is in session. I'll miss the squeals and laughter from their fun and play. Ah, school days. Do you ever reflect back on how different school was before the computer age took over our lives? Most of us had to use encyclopedias and other books to do research for papers and reports for school. I often marvel at how much more information today's students have at their fingertips by accessing the various sources on the Internet. Today's student must be overwhelmed with information and the challenge is undoubtedly to determine which is current and pertinent to the problem at hand. I think I'd rather have those challenges than having to work with reference materials that were sometimes out of date and I didn't even know it at the time. How progress changes the challenges of life. I love it!

If you attended the General Meeting that we held last month at the Microsoft Store, you may have been as disappointed in the presentation, as I was. The store representative that worked with us that night was not the same person with whom I had made all of the arrangements for the evening and I got the impression that she had been given the task of hosting us at the last minute. The tour of the store went well but I didn't get the impression that she was prepared to give us a good demo of IE9. Also, I had agreed with the other store contact that the presenter would have a second presentation ready in case the first one ran short and we had time remaining. Well, the presentation did run short but Ms. Lo did not know that she was supposed to have a backup ready so the meeting ended very early. Obviously, if we ever go back to the Microsoft Store in the future, we will have to work harder at making sure all of the arrangements get passed on to the person actually hosting the event. I'm sorry about the unsatisfactory outcome last month.

Since the IE9 presentation last month was so poor, Sally Ann has made arrangements for an expert from Microsoft to come to the September General Meeting to fill in the blanks. You may recall that David Tear spoke to one of our General Meetings a couple of years ago when IE8 came out. He has worked at Microsoft since 2002 and since 2007 has been a Technical Evangelist for the worldwide Developer Platform Evangelism team at Microsoft. One of his areas of expertise is Internet Explorer. He will cover the impressive performance of IE9, including javascript improvements and hardware acceleration. He will



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also review important security and manageability features that allow one to configure the browser to meet specific needs. He will also cover standards and HTML5. I'm certain that you will get much more knowledge and understanding of the product from David's presentation than the one we had last month. I hope to see you there.

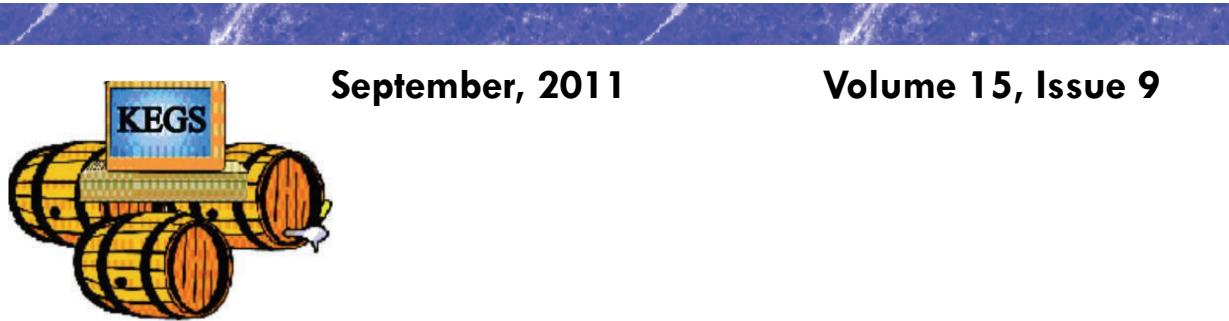
We still have ten of the new KEGS vests, both grey and green, for sale. The price is \$26.00 per vest for sizes Medium through XL. All of the size 2XL vests have been sold. If you'd like to have a vest, please come to the meeting with the correct change or a check in order to make your purchase. Everyone who has one of the new vests thinks they look great and I'm confident that you will agree. We will all look very sharp in them.

Again, this month there are two new tips from Sharon Parq Associates added to our monthly newsletter. There is one for using Word and the other for Excel, each designed to expand our knowledge of these applications. If you want access to additional tips from this company, you can go to their websites at word.tips.net or excel.tips.net. I think you'll find the information interesting and useful.

The most recent figures from John Tate indicate that we still have fifty-four members in KEGS. If we can get four more folks to renew or join our group, we will be at the number we had at the end of 2010. I hope that those of you who haven't gotten around to renewing yet will do so as soon as possible. Renewal forms are available from John Tate, our Treasurer, or you can fill out the form on the KEGS web site, print it out and send it along with your check to the address shown on the form. An even easier way would be to bring your completed form and your check/cash to the next General Meeting and give it to John there. I want to remind all current KEGS members that you can earn \$8.00 off of next year's dues for each new member that you recruit to join KEGS. If you can entice three new members to join this year, your dues for next year will be waived. Isn't that a great deal?

That's it for now. I will see you at the General Meeting or at one of our SIGs. I wish you happy and safe computing!

*Ron Cowger
President*



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Word Tip of the Month

Repeating Rows for a Table Footer

When working with longer tables in a document, you may wonder if there were a way to repeat rows at the bottom of a table that spans multiple pages, the same way you can repeat rows at the top of a multi-page table. The short answer is that Word doesn't provide such a capability. If you are willing to experiment a bit, you can try to come up with a workaround that may do the trick for you.

What you want to do is create a document section that contains just your table, and then use the page footers to contain the rows you want repeated from the table. Follow these general steps:

1. Just before the start of your table, insert a continuous section break.
2. Do the same thing just after the end of your table.
3. Select the rows you want repeated at the bottom of the table and copy them to the Clipboard.
4. Choose View | Header and Footer to display the headers and footers of the document. (If you are using Word 2007 or Word 2010 display the Insert tab of the ribbon, click Footer in the Header & Footer group, and then click Edit Footer.)
5. Switch to the footer. (You don't need to do this in Word 2007 and Word 2010, since you are already editing the footer after step 4.)
6. Make sure that the Link to Previous option is turned off for the footer.
7. Select anything that already exists in the footer.
8. Press **CTRL+V** to paste the copied rows into the footer.
9. Use the controls on the Header and Footer toolbar or, in Word 2007 and Word 2010, the Design tab of the ribbon to advance to the next section. (You should be looking at the footer for the section following the section in which the table resides.)
10. Turn off the Link to Previous option for this footer.
11. Delete the table row from this section's footer.
12. Close the Header and Footer toolbar (click Close) or, in Word 2007 and Word 2010, click Close Header and Footer in the Close group.

You are now ready to place the final touches on your workaround. Position the insertion point somewhere in your table, then use the various tabs in the Page Setup dialog box to adjust the relationship between your table and the footer. You'll need to play with the settings on both the Margins and Lay-

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out tabs to position the rows in the page footer, and you'll want to make sure that the Apply To drop-down list applies the changes to only the current section (the one with the table in it).

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Excel Tip of the Month

Understanding Manual Calculation

When you change a value in any cell of a worksheet, Excel automatically recalculates all the other formulas within the worksheet. This means that Excel is always up to date, based on any changes you may have performed.

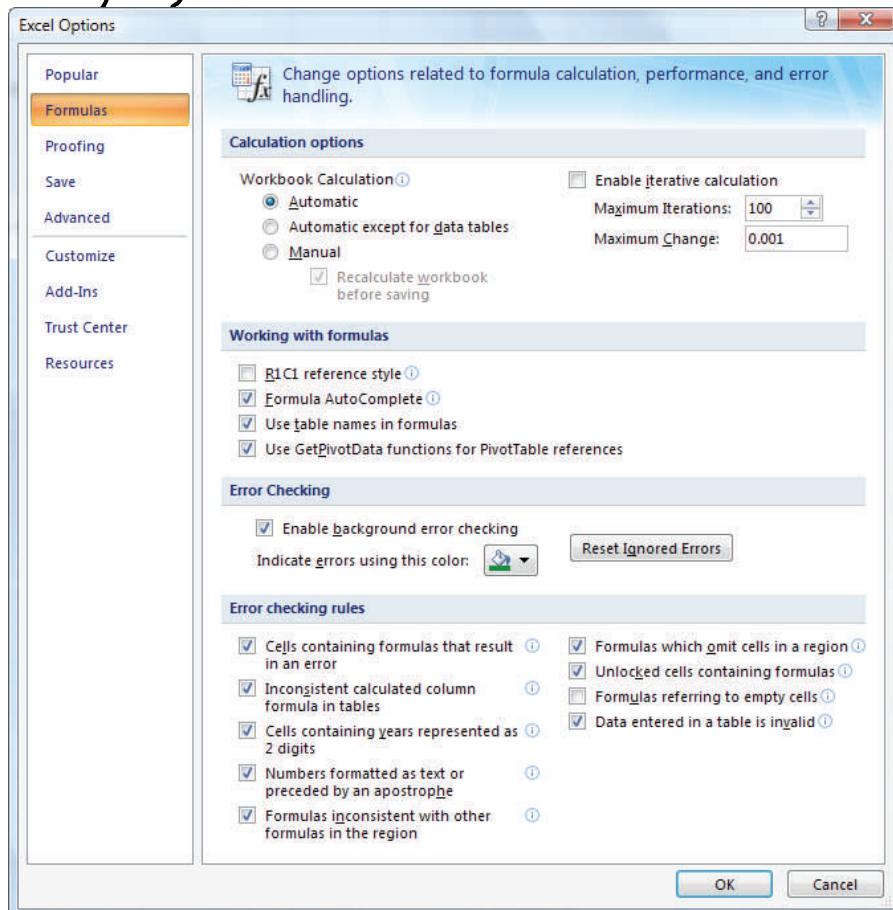
If you have an absolutely huge worksheet or a terribly slow computer (or both), then doing a calculation after every change can get very tedious. In these situations, you can actually spend more time waiting on Excel to finish calculating than you do on entering information.

The answer to this problem is to configure Excel so that all calculations are done manually. This is easy to do by following these steps:

1. Display the Excel Options dialog box. (In Excel 2007 click the Office button and then click Excel Options. In Excel 2010 display the File tab of the ribbon and then click Options.)
2. Click the Formulas area at the left of the dialog box.



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The Formulas area of the Excel Options dialog box.

3. In the Calculation Options section of the dialog box, make sure the Manual radio button is selected.
4. Click on OK.

Now, Excel does not calculate your worksheet automatically. Instead, you must press **F9** whenever you want to update the results displayed within your worksheet.

KEGS GENERAL MEETING AND ASSOCIATED SIGS

KEGS T-shirts/Vests

Remember, you score extra KEGABUCK\$ when you wear your KEGS shirts to SIGS and the General Meetings! (NOTE: This extra credit is not honored at the PIG SIG.)

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.

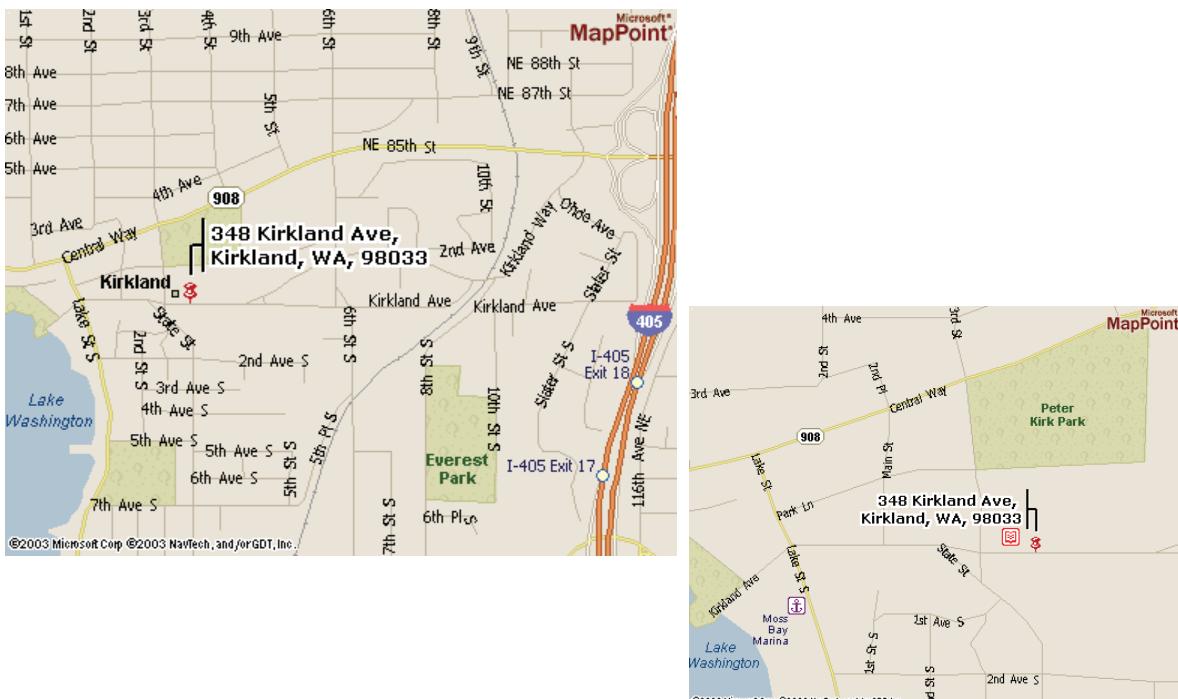
General Meetings at the Kirkland Teen Union Building - 348 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033

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 KIRKLAND (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 this SIG chart no longer lists actual dates. Please check our KEGS calendar (at <http://www.kegs.org/Calendar.html>) for actual dates AND POSSIBLE CANCELLATIONS 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 / Senior 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	HTML SIG jackbewitch@comcast.net	Jack Beslanwich 206-723-9960
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group seasigi@kegs.org	Marianne Wilkins
2nd 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
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization ctheprof@aol.com	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
3rd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Servers. Networks and Storage daviddodge1@compuserve.com	David Dodge
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Small Office / Home Office (SOHO) r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Digital Imaging SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-996-5635
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS Board Meeting r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger

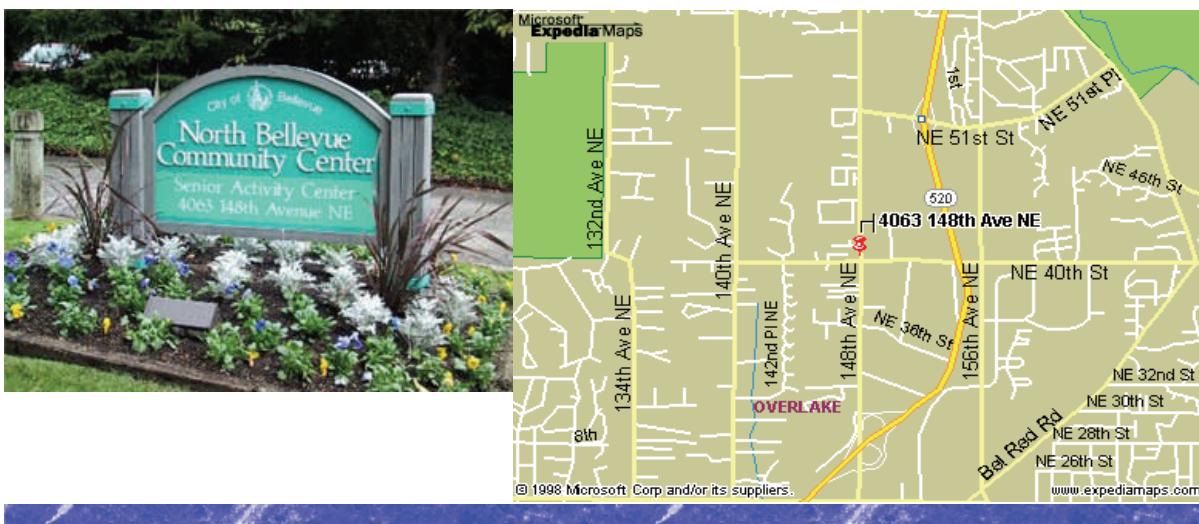
SIG MEETING LOCATIONS:

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 The North Bellevue Community / Senior Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA Conf. Rm D, 7-9 PM on the 4 Wed. of the month (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:

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