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This is a reminder that our September meeting is back on the old schedule, so you can once again arrive at 6pm at the Teen Center for Steve's Technology Corner.

It is now September which means the announcements for new things for you to consider for Christmas will begin. Also for anyone who has been keeping track, it has been the third longest time with no rain at SeaTac since record keeping began. The longest was in 1951. If we make it to the 11th, we will tie the record.

The big thing from Microsoft is that Server 2012 will be released this month. There are a couple of versions of it, and from the bits I have been reading it is going to be heavily cloud capable. It is also available on Tech Net for those interested in trying it out.

The other big thing is that cell phone manufactures are announcing their new Phone 8 phones. So far Samsung has announced their Samsung ATIV S (http://www.zdnet.com/samsung-introduces-first-windows-phone-8-device-7000003439/) while Nokia is rumored to be releasing an 820 and 920 dual core phone. They will hopefully be announcing them officially on September 5th at Nokia World. Hopefully this month also HTC will announce a Phone 8 device, which could be on September 19th since they are having an event to which they are inviting the media.

From what is going around, it looks like Apple is either going to release or announce a release date on the 12th for the iPhone 5. Though from what I have been reading it is going to possibly have some things added and some removed (one of them possibly being YouTube due to Java concerns).

There is also talk of new phones from Motorola and HTC for Android being announced in the next month or two.

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As for Phone 8 itself, rumor has been October, but it might not be till November. Hopefully Microsoft will announce it this month.

There has been a large rush of new standard, ultralight, and slate (standard and hybrid) systems that will be coming with Windows 8 in the next couple of months from all the major OEM's. The most interesting are the slates. There are your standard ones which might or might not come with a dock that is like a port replicator that comes with power, a network jack, and a USB port, or the hybrid which is basically a dock with a full keyboard attached to it into which you plug your slate and then you have an ultralight laptop. Most of these systems, from what I am reading, are going to come with the Atom chip which is good for email and web browsing but not much else. If you want to have more performance, you might consider a standard touch-capable laptop with an Intel i5 or i7 processor and a discrete Nvidia or ATI graphics card. You will lose battery life but gain performance though some of the new, even high-end, laptops are getting a lot more time out of their batteries.

Another thing to consider is going to be the processor. Windows 8 is going to support the standard Intel and AMD processors but also will be supporting the ARM with their Windows RT OS. You will want to do some research on each to decide which would work better for your needs.

It isn't new, but fairly recent is the release of Adobe Photoshop CS6. It has a lot more features for us to learn, so plan on getting comfortable because if it is like any of the other versions, you are going to be there for awhile learning all the new things (http://www.adobe.com/products/photoshop.html).

Jon Mercer – President

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 206-902-7381

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 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.

KEGS T-shirts

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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
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 206-902-7381
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS Board Meeting r_cowger@prodigy.net	Jon Mercer

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:

http://www.kegs.org.

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To submit articles or software reviews for incorporation into this Newsletter, please send them to: newsletter@kegs.org