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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

I hope that each of you found the information that you received from Carl on Windows 10 at the May General Meeting to be useful and educational. There are several rumors in the media about a release date, some as soon as late July but nothing official from Microsoft yet. However, the comments about free upgrades from Win7 or Win8 to Windows 10, during the first year after release, seem to be repeated so often that most of us are beginning to believe the plan. Time will tell.

I hope that all of you know that the June General Meeting is the Annual KEGa-Buck\$ Auction. Board members and SIG Leaders have been working hard at collecting items and arranging the evening's activities. You can anticipate that sometime during the weekend before the Auction you will receive via email a list of the items offered for auction. Please look over the list and do your homework/research on those items that may be of interest to you before the Auction. Don't count on the auctioneers being able to tell you during the Auction whether or not the items being offered are compatible with your software or hardware. There won't be time during the Auction to look up the specifications. You may begin previewing the items being offered at 5:30 PM the afternoon of the auction. We will have a few snacks and beverages for your enjoyment before the Auction and during the break. Also, please remember that if you donated an item to the Auction and that item does not receive any bids, it is your responsibility to take the item home and dispose of it appropriately. Last year several of the members of the Board got stuck with having to take home numerous items that did not receive bids and that is not fair to them. Thanks for your cooperation on this point.

The most recent figures from John Tate indicate that we now have forty-eight members in KEGS. We are about back to the same number of members that we had at the end of 2014. 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.



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That's it for now. I will see you at the Auction. Previewing of the items being offered will start at 5:30 PM and the Auction will start at 6:30 PM on June 8th. Don't forget to bring your KEGaBuck\$ from home. We will have two folks checking you in for the Auction. John Tate will punch your membership card and give you attendance KEGaBuck\$ for the month and drawing tickets. Next, check in with Sally Ann who will probably have more KEGaBuck\$ for you. Remember, if you attended at least nine of the last twelve General Meetings, you will receive extra, bonus KEGaBuck\$ for your use at the Auction. Sally Ann will give you any bonus KEGaBuck\$ you've earned plus those that you earned by attending SIGs and doing volunteer work during the past year. Good luck at the Auction.

I wish you happy and safe computing!

Ron Cowger — President



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AUCTION DONATION GUIDELINES

1. Only software that runs on operating systems of Windows 7 or newer will be accepted.
2. Computer add-in cards should be PCI or PCI Express only.
3. Donated items need to be complete enough to be easily used by the bidder. Each item should be in the original box if possible. If necessary, a substitute box may be used. Items that came with installation software and documentation should have those items in the box with the item.
4. Items that do not receive bids during the Auction will not be held over to the next Auction. Members who donate items are requested to put their names on the items and to take any items not receiving bids home with them at the end of the Auction.
5. Any computers that are donated should be: i-, xeon, atom, or centrino class, or the equivalent.
6. Printers need to have Windows 7 or newer drivers, and ink/toner cartridges should be available. USB connections are preferred but not required.
7. No CRT monitors will be accepted.
8. No PATA hard drives will be accepted.

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 Peter Kirk Community / Senior Center - 325 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033

Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
2nd Monday	6 PM - 7 PM	Kirkland's Peter Kirk Community Center	Technology Corner betacode@hotmail.com	Steve Fondren
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Kirkland's Peter Kirk Community Center	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 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 Peter Kirk Community Center / Senior Center is part of a string of three connected buildings. At the street (Kirkland Way) is Kirkland's Performance Center (350 Kirkland Ave.), then comes the Peter Kirk Community 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	Computer Lab	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue endeavor@frontier.com (Computer repair & maintenance)	Jon Mercer
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group (SEASIG) gary.skelton@gmail.com	Gary Skelton 425-861-7813
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization ctheprof@aol.com	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
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	Ron Cowger

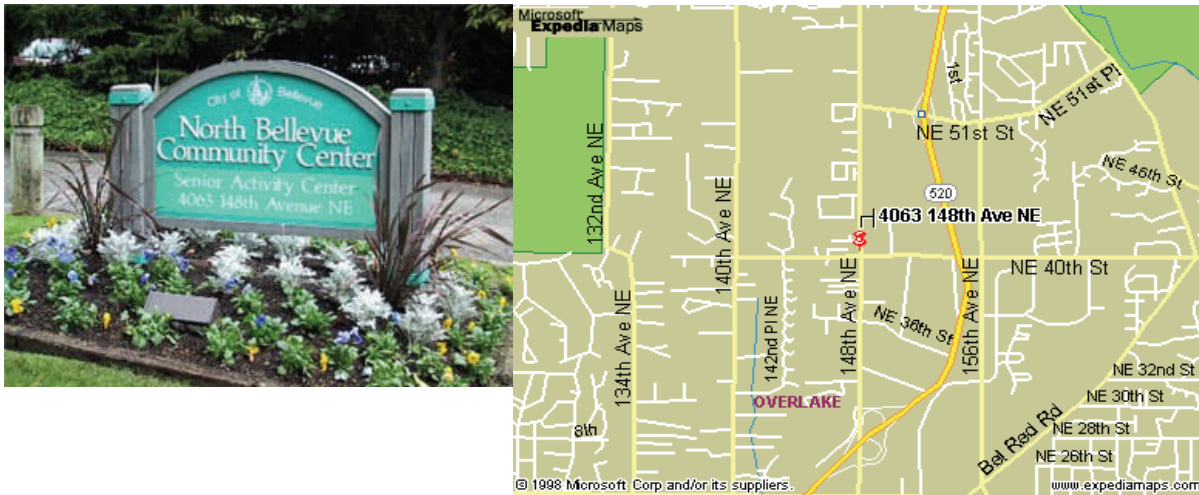
SIG MEETING LOCATIONS:

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:

<http://www.kegs.org>.

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