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## *Prez Says:*

**Ron Cowger**

I hope that you found the topic of the General Meeting last month to be useful. It was a topic that was recommended by some of our members and I found the presentation both interesting and enlightening. I realize that most of the members of KEGS probably don't use Facebook and aren't big fans of social media in general. However, at least in my case, I find that I miss opportunities to be "up to date" with many current events in the lives of our daughter, our grandchildren and even my wife's brother and his family by not being Facebook users. They do almost all of their Internet communications about their lives on Facebook and seldom send out emails in the "old, traditional way." I still have to learn more about setting up a Facebook account and controlling security and access before I'll feel comfortable on it but I think that day is coming. I hope each of our members also found the information that Mr. Rael presented to be useful at least in deciding whether or not he/she wants to give it a try.

Please remember that our big, annual KEGS auction is just a month away. As in past years, we are seeking donations of items that you may have stuck away in the closet or drawer some place but no longer need. We are seeking software, hardware or other computer-related items that may be of use to your fellow members. In order to help ensure that we have items that will generate interest, the Board of Directors has developed some guidelines for items contributed. Please do not contribute anything that can't be used with Windows 7 or newer. If you have software or hardware items to donate, please give them to any member of the Board or to a SIG leader and your contributions will be forwarded to the folks who are setting up the Auction. Also, please label each item with the donor's name and a brief description of the item. Lastly, please include cables and manuals for your contributions. (SIG leaders and members of the Board have labels that can be used for this.) Thanks in advance for anything that you can contribute.

In support of our preparation for the KEGS Auction we desperately need someone who has some extra room in his/her garage to volunteer to store the items donated until we sort and record them. As we collect items, we will need room along one side of the garage to stack boxes containing the donated items. Then, we have found that sorting and recording of the Auction items works well if we have the space equal to a two-car garage to spread them out and identify the contributions



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as we develop the spreadsheet list and pack them in boxes for movement to the Auction site. This is about a four-hour operation done a few days before the Auction. If you think you may be able to help, please contact me, Bob Baxter or Sally Ann Mowrey to get more details. Thanks.

We are still conducting the “interest survey” concerning purchasing KEGS caps for use of our membership. If the Board feels there is enough interest, we will order the caps soon and they will be considered as a KEGS item like our shirts and vests that earn members additional KEGaBuck\$ when they attend various meetings. Please fill out one of the survey forms that are available at the SIGs and the General Meeting. We’d like to get input from all of our members before making a decision about proceeding.

I hope that you have attended a SIG in Room D at the North Bellevue Community Center and enjoyed the better, larger image that we can get on the new screen that was recently installed. I want to thank Bob Baxter for taking the lead in selecting the appropriate screen, ordering it and getting it installed in the room used by most SIGs. Excellent results!

That’s it for now. I look forward to seeing you at the General Meeting or at a future SIG. I wish you happy and safe computing! Remember; use good, strong passwords for all sites that contain confidential or financial information.

*Ron Cowger — 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 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 <a href="mailto:betacode@hotmail.com">betacode@hotmail.com</a>	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 <a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>	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 ([CLICK HERE](#)) 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 <a href="mailto:endeavor@frontier.com">endeavor@frontier.com</a> (Computer repair & maintenance)	Jon Mercer
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group (SEASIGI) <a href="mailto:gary.skelton@gmail.com">gary.skelton@gmail.com</a>	Gary Skelton 425-861-7813
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization <a href="mailto:cavp_95@outlook.com">cavp_95@outlook.com</a>	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Small Office / Home Office (SOHO) <a href="mailto:r_cowger@prodigy.net">r_cowger@prodigy.net</a>	Ron Cowger
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Digital Imaging SIG <a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-902-7381
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS Board Meeting <a href="mailto:r_cowger@prodigy.net">r_cowger@prodigy.net</a>	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>.

Contact us at: Email: [board@kegs.org](mailto:board@kegs.org)

or

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