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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

If you attended the General Meeting that we held last month at the Bellevue Library, I hope you learned some new and interesting things about the different types of computers that Steve talked about and demonstrated. I don't personally have any use for the super fast gaming computer that he showed but I found its features interesting. My needs are more along the lines of the traditional tower style computer, one of which I'd like to put in my home office one of these days. Thanks for a very interesting presentation, Steve.

During the second part of the meeting we ran a video made available by APCUG that gave us some very good insight into cyber malware, Ransomware and Cryptovirus, and the steps we should be taking to protect our computers and information when we are on the Internet. Obviously, there are some frightening bad folks out there on the Web and all users have to be extremely careful when they are using the Internet to avoid becoming a victim. Good information...

The most recent figures from Dick Arensberg indicate that we now have the same number of members that we had at the end of last year. I am encouraged by the fact that we have had some new folks join our group this year, and I encourage each of you to try to recruit even more new folks. Recently, some of the new members who have joined KEGS have found us through the Digital Imaging SIG. Obviously, that SIG is quite popular and brings new folks into our group. Keep up the great work!

Next, I want to remind everyone that the August General Meeting will again **not** be held at the Peter Kirk Community Center. This month, we will meet again at the **Microsoft Store** in the Bellevue Square shopping mall as we did last summer. The best place for us to park is in the mall's West Parking Garage – That's the part of the garage west of Nordstrom and across NE 8th Street from the QFC. If you enter the mall from the parking garage on the ground floor, Red Mango will be immediately on your right and the Microsoft Store will be directly ahead. As we have done before, we will meet in the open space at the back of the store. Obviously, there will **NOT** be a Technology Corner SIG this month. The topics for this month's presentation will be SWAY and PHOTOS. These are applications that are found in Windows 10 that you may not be using but that you may find to be quite useful. I hope each of you will come to the meeting as I'm convinced that you will find the meeting interesting and informative.



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APCUG has announced that they will be conducting another of their periodic Virtual Technology Conferences in August. These events normally have about six presentations on various topics that are of interest to those of us who want to learn more about computers, programs, malware and other topics. The presentations are streamed across the Internet to your computer but you have to register ahead of time to participate in the Conference. The upcoming Conference is on August 19th. If you are interested in more information about the Conference, send me an email and I will forward the announcement email to you so that you can decide whether or not you want to sign up.

I would like to thank our members for the work they do on the laptops that KEGS uses for meetings and that the two Community Centers use for their teaching programs. Maintaining these thirteen computers, installing various updates and trouble-shooting them from time to time are often time-consuming and sometimes frustrating chores. Please remember that KEGS receives access to the meeting spaces we use for SIGs at The North Bellevue Community Center and the larger meeting room that we use for our General Meetings at the Peter Kirk Community Center for no charge as a “trade off” for our maintaining their teaching/lab laptops for those facilities. This saves KEGS lots of money that we would otherwise have to pay the Centers for our meeting space. A special “thanks” goes to Bob for leading the effort to keep all of the laptops operating well and to Sally Ann for her help. We all appreciate your efforts very much.

That’s it for now. I’ll see you at an upcoming meeting. I wish you happy and safe computing!

Ron Cowger — President

KEGS GENERAL MEETING AND ASSOCIATED SIGS

KEGS T-shirts/Vests/Caps

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 ([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 endeavor@frontier.com (Computer repair & maintenance)	Jon Mercer
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group (SEASIGI) gary.skelton@gmail.com	Gary Skelton 425-861-7813
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization cavp_95@outlook.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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