

Prez Says:

#### Ron Cowger

Here we are in November, the beginning of the holiday season and the second month during which you can renew your membership and earn the designation of Early Bird on your new membership card. This popular designation will earn you an additional drawing ticket each month when you sign in for the General Meeting. Remember, the signup period during which you can earn Early Bird status is from October 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>. Why not renew your membership as soon as possible so that you won't get distracted during the busy Holiday Season and forget to complete this simple, but important, chore? Membership renewal forms are available from Dick Arensberg, 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 Dick there.

As you do your own Christmas shopping and if you order items from Amazon, I hope you will remember to log into <u>https://smile.amazon.com/</u> and designate KEGS as the beneficiary of the Amazon Smile non-profit donations that result from your purchases. Your purchases will not cost you any more than normal but KEGS will get a small donation to our funds as a result of your purchases. Every little bit helps...

I hope that those of you who attended the October General Meeting both enjoyed and learned a lot from the presentation entitled "If it's connected, it needs to be protected." Bob Gostischa covered a lot of good information about safely using all of the things that can be connected to a person's Wi-Fi in their home and how to prevent those various devices from sharing private information across the Internet. His presentation was well organized and covered a lot of security information that each of us should consider. I hope you enjoyed it and learned something new from the presentation.

The next APCUG Virtual Technology Conference will be conducted on November 3rd. If you'd like to participate (listen in), please go to the APCUG website at <a href="https://apcug2.org/">https://apcug2.org/</a> for the information that you will need in order to register for the session. There is no charge for the event but you must register ahead of time in order to participate. I'm sure that you will find at least one of the six topics that will be covered during the presentations both interesting and helpful.



## Prez Says: Continued

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The KEGS Nominating Committee is looking for members who would like to serve on the KEGS Board of Directors. I encourage each of you to consider volunteering some of your time to help run the user group. The Board only meets once a month for about two hours so most jobs on the Board don't take too much of a Board member's time. If you feel that the organization needs some new ideas and fresh faces on the Board or you'd just like to help out, please volunteer to serve. Just tell any member of the Board that you are interested and he/she will give your name to the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee this year consists of Sally Ann Mowrey, Jon Mercer and Gary Skelton. Thanks for giving this idea some genuine consideration.

Don't forget that our November General Meeting is one week earlier this year on November 5<sup>th</sup>.

That's it for now. I hope to see each of you at an upcoming SIG or at the November General Meeting. Until then, 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 shirt/vest/cap to SIG and the General meetings! (NOTE: This extra credit is not honored at the PIG SIG.)

We still have a few left of various sizes. So why wait? Pick yours up at the next general meeting.

#### KEGS General Meetings are held at the North Bellevue Community / Senior Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA On the second Monday of every month (see the last page for driving instructions)

Our Pig SIG is held off site-please see the address below

Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
2nd Monday	6 PM - 7 PM	Conf. room D	Technology Corner betacode@hotmail.com	Steve Fondren
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS General Meeting	
2nd Monday	9:30 PM - ? PM	Applebee's <u>13856 Bel Red Rd,</u> Bellevue, WA 98005	Pig SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-816-9216

Please check our KEGS calendar (<u>CLICK HERE</u>) for actual dates AND POSSIBLE CANCELLATIONS of the upcoming meeting that you want to attend.

# **KEGS SIG MEETINGS:**

#### **NEW SIG CHART**

Notice that this SIG chart does not lists actual dates. Please check our KEGS calendar (<u>CLICK HERE</u>) 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.

Our SIG and Board Meetings are held at the

#### North Bellevue Community / Senior Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA

See last page for driving directions.

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Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Pool Room	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue endevor@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 r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Digital Imaging SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-816-9216
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS Board Meeting r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger

## **KEGS MEETING LOCATION**

All KEGS Meetings are currently held at the **North Bellevue Community** / **Senior Center** All KEGS meetings (including our Board meeting) are public and open to anyone who wants to attend.

#### Finding KEGS primary meeting location North Bellevue Community / Senior Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA

**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.

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