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## Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

Hi Everyone,

The June General Meeting will be dedicated to the annual KEGaBuck\$ Auction! It's time for you to dig through your desk drawers, old envelopes or wherever you keep all of those KEGaBuck\$ that you have earned by attending various SIGs and General Meetings. Also, it's very important that you find as many of those funny looking, light peach colored 50-KEGaBuck bills that you've received at General Meetings since last June. If you have nine or more of them, you will have earned an extra 50 KEGaBuck\$ for each one that you have plus a bonus of 500 KEGaBuck\$ for being a frequent attendee to the General Meetings. That's a nice bonus that will help you bid on the items that interest you. If you don't have nine or more of them, bring the ones that you have as they are still worth 50 KEGaBuck\$ each for use during the auction.

Speaking of auction items, we have had some very generous contributors that have provided some very desirable auction items. I haven't seen all of the items but I'm told that there are a couple of flat panel displays, a laser printer and some very good software among the many offerings. We will send out a list of all of the items up for bid as soon as we can compile it. Watch your email for the list.

This month, we will handle the door prize in the same manner as we did at last year's auction. The only tickets that will be put in the can for the door prize drawing will be the ones distributed as the members check in for the auction and get the KEGaBuck\$ that they earned during the year. No members will be allowed to toss in extra tickets that they earned by attending SIGs. That way, every member attending the Auction has an equal chance to win the door prize.

We had no new members signed up during May and no renewals. While I am pleased that our membership is about the same as last year, I think we can do better. As I have mentioned in previous columns, I hope that you will each try to recruit someone new to join KEGS this year. I encourage you to talk to your friends, family members, business associates and acquaintances about KEGS. Almost everyone uses a computer, PDA or digital camera these days and would benefit from the information and services that KEGS provides. Currently, our membership is about sixty-three folks. As I'm sure that you can understand, when we are trying to encourage vendors to speak to our organization, they al-



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most always ask how many members we have. It would be a lot easier to entice companies to send speakers to our meetings if we had one hundred members than it is with our current membership level. Please help our organization by bringing in at least one new member this year.

One of the members of our Board called the folks at Smart Computing and explained that she had forgotten to cite her KEGS membership when she renewed her subscription and asked that the club be given credit for the payment. She was able to work with the publisher and I'm told that we got the credit! If this same thing happened to you, you renewed but forgot about noting your membership, I encourage you to call the publisher and tell them what happened. I will soon check with Sandpoint Publishing to see if we earned any free subscriptions that we can use as auction items next month.

That's it for now. I hope to see each of you at the auction on June 9th and/or at a future SIG. Happy and safe computing!

Ron Cowger  
President

# KEGS General Meeting And Associated SIGs

## KEGS T-shirts

Remember, you score extra KEGABUCKS 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.

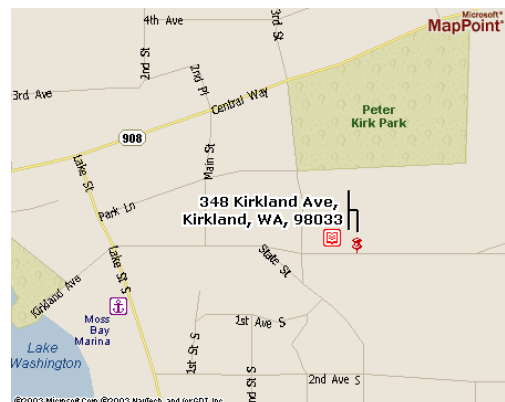
General Meetings at the Kirkland Teen Union Building - 348 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033

| Day of Month | Time           | Location                                       | SIG / Email contact   | SIG Leader                       |
|--------------|----------------|--|---|----------------------------------|
| 2nd Monday   | 6 PM - 7 PM    | Kirkland Teen Union Building                   | Technology Corner<br><a href="mailto:betacode@hotmail.com">betacode@hotmail.com</a> | Steve Fondren                    |
| 2nd Monday   | 7 PM - 9 PM    | Kirkland Teen Union Building                   | KEGS General Meeting  |                                  |
| 2nd Monday   | 9:30 PM - ? PM | Outback Steakhouse<br>12120 NE 85 th, Kirkland | Pig SIG<br><a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>       | Sally Ann Mowrey<br>206-996-5635 |

**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 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.

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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 | NBCSC Computer Lab Support<br><a href="mailto:j_m_mraz@hotmail.com">j_m_mraz@hotmail.com</a>  | Joe Mraz<br>425-747-2433           |
| 1st Wednesday | 7 PM - 9 PM | Computer Lab | Seattle Internet User Group<br><a href="mailto:seasigi@kegs.org">seasigi@kegs.org</a>   | Judy Panjeti &<br>Marianne Wilkins |
| 2nd Tuesday   | 7 PM - 9 PM | Conf. room D | WIN 95/98/XP/??<br><a href="mailto:daviddodge1@compuserve.com">daviddodge1@compuserve.com</a>   | David Dodge                        |
| 2nd Wednesday | 7 PM - 9 PM | Conf. room D | Laptop SIG<br><a href="mailto:ctheprof@aol.com">ctheprof@aol.com</a>  | Carl Von Papp<br>425-643-1398      |
| 3rd Tuesday   | 7 PM - 9 PM | Computer Lab | Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue<br><a href="mailto:j_m_mraz@hotmail.com">j_m_mraz@hotmail.com</a><br>(Computer repair & maintenance) | Joe Mraz<br>425-747-2433           |
| 3rd Wednesday | 7 PM - 9 PM | Conf. room D | Small Office / Home Office<br><a href="mailto:r_cowger@prodigy.net">r_cowger@prodigy.net</a>  | Ron Cowger                         |
| 4th Tuesday   | 7 PM - 9 PM | Computer Lab | Digital Imaging SIG<br><a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>   | Sally Ann Mowrey<br>206-996-5635   |
| 4th Wednesday | 7 PM - 9 PM | Conf. room D | HTML SIG<br><a href="mailto:jack@webwitch.com">jack@webwitch.com</a>  | Jack Beslanwich<br>206-723-9960    |

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| Day of Month                              | Time              | Location                                    | SIG / Email contact  | SIG Leader               |
|---|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------|
| 3rd Monday<br>(Only on the ODD<br>Months) | 7:00 PM -<br>9 PM | Kirkland's Teen Union<br>Bldg. Computer Lab | Computer Support SIG - Kirkland<br><a href="mailto:j_m_mraz@hotmail.com">j_m_mraz@hotmail.com</a><br>(Computer repair & maintenance) | Joe Mraz<br>425-747-2433 |

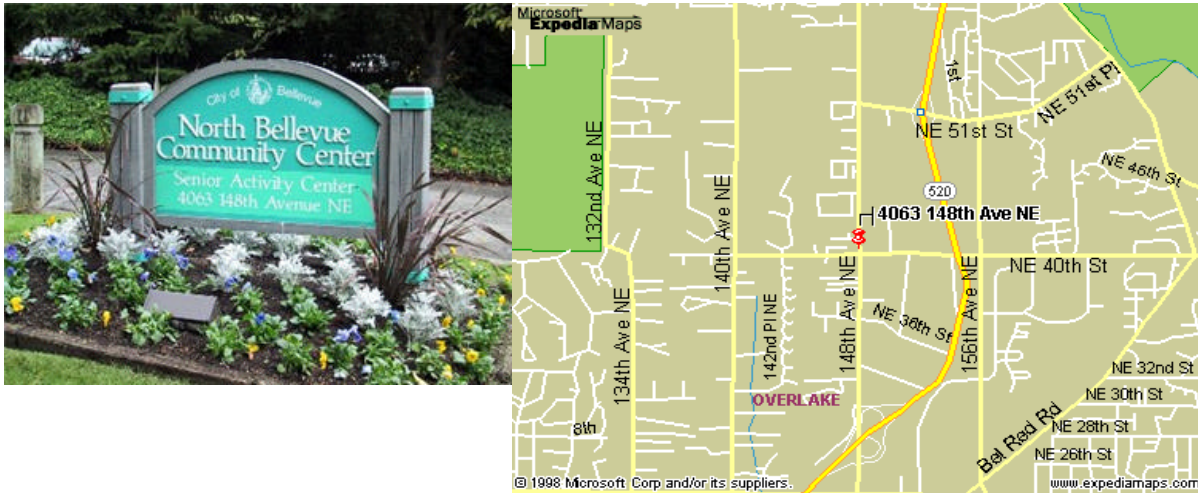
## SIG Meeting Locations:

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 Executive Real Estate's Bellevue office at 20 Lake Bellevue, Bellevue, WA. (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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