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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

## Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

Again, I missed the last meeting of the Board of Directors due to being out of town. I have taken two trips during the last two months and they both conflicted with the Board meetings. Sometimes one just has to take advantage of special travel opportunities even though they conflict with other obligations. I'm confident that the other members of the Board can conduct the group's business just fine without me so I have no concerns about leaving town for a while.

The last update that I received concerning the new, portable lab for the North Bellevue Community Center was that all of the hardware had arrived but we were still waiting for some of the software. As I told you last month, when all is in place for the lab change-out, we will probably be looking for some helpers to assist in taking apart the old lab. We will let you know when that will take place in case you want to help.

I hope that those of you who attended the October General Meeting found the presentation on IE8 interesting. I learned some new tricks about using IE8 and now know how to adjust some of the important security settings. I was impressed with several of the new or enhanced security features that David Tesar demonstrated. Based on what he showed us at the meeting, I can't imagine why anyone would continue to use older versions of the browser. We all need to thank Sally Ann for arranging this very interesting presentation.

The presentation for November will be on Windows 7. As you know, the new operating system was released on October 22nd. Our speaker at the meeting will be Sean Gilmour from Microsoft. He spoke to us on Windows 7 once before in April and based on the many questions that our members asked, he generated a lot of interest in the new Windows. I hope you will come to the November General Meeting to learn more about the system's new features and functions.

Again, I will mention KEGS membership. Our group membership is still at sixty-three computer enthusiasts so we are still one short of the level at which we finished last year. However, with three more months in which to recruit new members, I genuinely hope that we can continue to grow as the year goes on. I strongly encourage you to invite friends or family members to attend a KEGS meeting or two to see if they are interested in joining. I'm convinced that we have something to offer any computer enthusiast. Remember, the more members that we have the better it is for all of us.



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## Prez Says: continued

It's almost time for our annual elections of members 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 less than two hours so most jobs on the Board don't take too much of a member's time. If you feel that the organization needs some new ideas and fresh faces on the Board, please volunteer to serve for a year. Just tell any member of the Board that you are interested and he/she will give your name to the Nominating Committee. Thanks for your giving it some thought.

That's it for now. I hope to see each of you at the December General Meeting as I will miss the November meeting. Perhaps I will see you at your favorite SIG soon. 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.

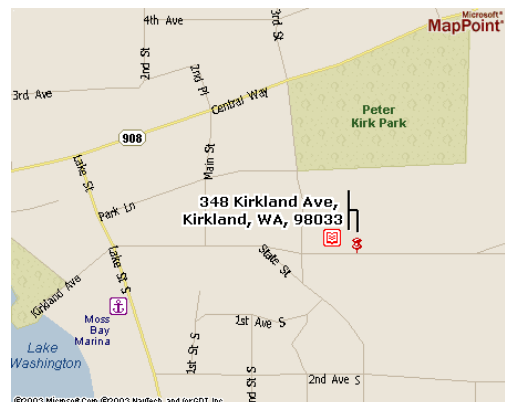
General Meetings at the Kirkland Teen Union Building - 348 Kirkland Ave., Kirkland, WA 98033

| 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>   | 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  |

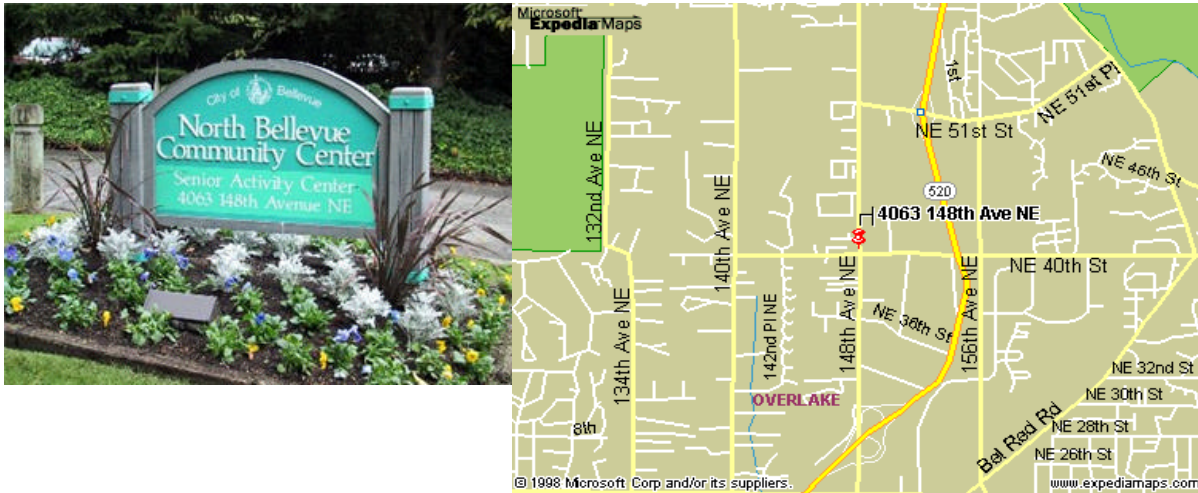
## SIG Meeting Locations:

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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