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Prez Says:

Jon Mercer

Welcome everyone to 2013. We seemed to have survived the end of the world.

I would like to thank everyone for believing in me and voting me in for another year; if work will quit sending me to other places, I will try to make most meetings. Because of those trips, there was unfortunately no December Prez Says because I was gone from the end of November through most of December.

With the coming of January there are a couple of things to watch out for.

The first is from Microsoft-- the Surface Pro which for the most part is physically the same as the Surface RT but uses an Intel processor. It will be running a full version of Windows 8 so you will be able to use it like any other computer. There is no official release date, but word is that it will be late January. The suspected date will be the 26th, but we'll see as the date gets closer.

The other big thing in January is the 2013 International Consumer Electronics Show which will show off all the new toys that companies will be releasing or have in development. This year though, Microsoft is going to be pretty low key so there might not be much being announced from them.



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On the topic of slate type devices, Lenovo is releasing their Yoga
<http://shop.lenovo.com/us/notebooks/ideapad/yoga/yoga13?redir=y>

Dell has the XPS 12 Convertible http://configure.us.dell.com/dellstore/config.aspx?oc=sncwi02h&model_id=xps-12-1221x&c=us&l=en&s=soho&cs=ussoho1&

Asus has a new one in development, as well as the B121 Eee Slate
http://usa.asus.com/Tablet/ASUS_Slate/Eee_Slate_B121/

Sony has the Xperia Tablet S http://store.sony.com/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/CategoryDisplay?catalogId=10551&storeId=10151&langId=-1&identifier=S_tablet_landing&facetlist=true

Now moving from computers to general technology, Switch has released a 75Watt LED bulb that is just as good as a standard 75 Watt but uses 75 percent less power. <http://www.popsci.com/bown/2012/product/switch-lighting-switch75>

Nest has come out with a thermostat that has a motion detector that learns when you are home and when you aren't. It then will teach itself when to turn the heat up and down. It is a bit pricy but is an interesting bit of tech. <http://www.popsci.com/bown/2012/product/nest-learning-thermostat-0>



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For the drool factor, there is the Tesla Model S Electric car that they say can go 300 miles on a charge. If you would like to put your hands on one, there is a dealership in Bellevue Square. <http://www.popsci.com/cars/article/2012-11/tesla-model-s-motor-trends-car-year-first-all-electric-winner-ever>

BioLite has a wood stove that uses the heat from the stove to also generate electricity, so you can charge small USB devices such as cell phones. It runs on wood, so as long as you can find small pieces of dry wood, you will always have a fuel source. <http://biolitestove.com/campstove/camp-overview/features/>

That's all for this month's Prez Says. I will see you at January's General Meeting as long as work doesn't ship me off to somewhere else.

Jon Mercer – President

Important note for all our members

Our January 2013 general meeting will be our last general meeting at KTUB. We'll be moving next door to the Peter Kirk Community Center's "Lobby Meeting Room" for the rest of the year.

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 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 betacode@hotmail.com	Steve Fondren
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Kirkland Teen Union Building	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 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
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue j_m_mraz@hotmail.com (Computer repair & maintenance)	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization ctheprof@aol.com	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
3rd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Servers, Networks and Storage daviddodge1@compuserve.com	David Dodge
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	Jon Mercer

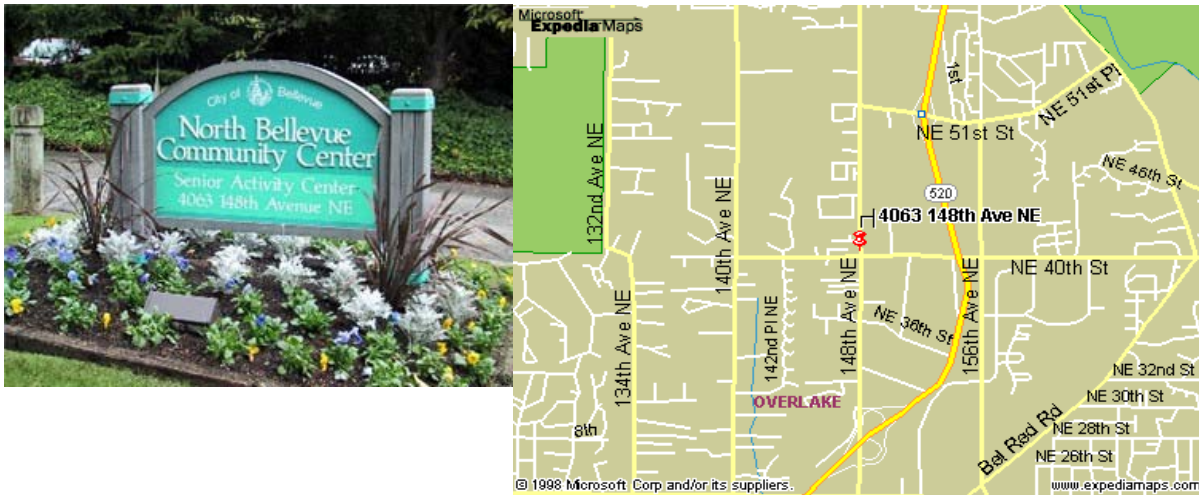
SIG MEETING LOCATIONS:

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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