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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

As I write this month's column for the Newsletter, many of the school-age children in our area, except in Seattle, are back in school. Do you ever reflect back on how different school was before the computer age took over our lives? Most of us had to use encyclopedias and other hard-back books to do research for papers and reports for school. I often marvel at how much more information today's students have at their fingertips by accessing the various sources on the Internet. Today's student must be overwhelmed with information and the challenge is undoubtedly to determine which is current and pertinent to the problem or assignment. I think I'd rather have those challenges than having to work with reference materials that were sometimes out of date, and I didn't even know it at the time. How progress changes the challenges of life. I love it!

If you attended the General Meeting that we held last month at the Microsoft Store, you may have been a little disappointed in the presentation. The store representative that gave the presentation that night was not the same person that Sally Ann worked with when she made all of the arrangements for the evening. In fact, it appears that the presenter had been given the task of hosting us at the last minute. Our presenter seemed to have a good understanding of Windows 10 but the presentation seemed to be disjointed and did not flow in a logical manner. Lastly, our presenter had not been told that the person to whom Sally Ann had spoken earlier had agreed that the Store would provide some door prizes for us. Surprise! Obviously, if we go back to the Microsoft Store next summer, we will have to seek assurance that all of the arrangements that the Store representative agrees to get passed on to the person actually hosting the event.

At the last meeting of the Board, the members discussed the possibility of buying some more KEGS vests for sale to folks who join our organization and want a vest. Currently, the inventory that we have on hand includes only two different sizes and not all new members can be accommodated. The challenge in making the decision to buy more vests is that a minimum order from our supplier is about two dozen vests and some of us feel that the demand in the near future does not justify the investment in over \$600.00 worth of vests for which there is limited demand. I will bring up this subject for discussion at the next General Meeting.



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The most recent figures from John Tate indicate that we now have fifty paid-up members in KEGS. I hope that those of you who haven't gotten around to renewing yet will do so as soon as possible. Renewal forms are available from John Tate, 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 John there

That's it for now. I will see you at the General Meeting or at one of our SIGs. I wish you happy and safe computing!

Ron Cowger — President

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 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 (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	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 (SEASIG) gary.skelton@gmail.com	Gary Skelton 425-861-7813
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization ctheprof@aol.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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