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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

## *Prez Says:*

**Ron Cowger**

Well here we are easing our way into April. Two things come to mind when I think of April – Income Tax returns are due (Argh) and the weather in the Pacific Northwest begins to become more enjoyable. I've seen lots of plants near our house that are emerging from their winter rest so spring must be on the way. I say, "Bring it on."

As I mentioned last month, it's time to start thinking about the annual KEGS Auction that takes place at our June General Meeting. I encourage each of you to dig around in that closet where you store your computer "stuff" that is not currently in use, or maybe out in your garage, and see if there isn't something in your collection of goodies that you no longer need and that someone else may find useful. As you probably know, we no longer get any contributions of items from hardware or software developers or from computer stores so most of the items that we offer at our auction are donated by our own members. Please make sure that anything you donate is complete, including manuals and cables, and is functional. You may give your donations to a member of the Board or any SIG leader. Also, since most folks don't want old software or hardware for retired operating systems, we are asking that everything you donate works on Windows 7 or newer systems. Lastly, please label each item that you donate with the donor's name and a brief description of the item. Thanks in advance for your anticipated, generous donations.

I hope that those of you who haven't gotten around to renewing your dues yet will do so as soon as possible. Renewal forms are available from Dick, 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.



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Please remember that new members receive 1000 KEGaBuck\$ for joining our group. This will allow even the newest member to have a useful amount of script to use for bidding at the next KEGS Auction even though he/she is new to our organization. Also, in an effort to beef up our new-member recruiting efforts, the Board has established an award for the current member that introduces a new member to KEGS. Each current KEGS member will receive 500 KEGaBuck\$ as a recognition of his/her efforts to bring in a new member.

I am happy to report that KEGS continues to receive quarterly donations from Amazon under their Amazon Smile program. As you recall, the Amazon Corporation gives our group a small portion of any money spent on their site by folks who sign in under smile.amazon.com and then designate KEGS as the recipient of donations earned under this program. The most recent amount received was just under \$9.00 and I assume that it included the Christmas shopping period. As they say, it's all "free money" to our group treasury and we'll put it to good use. Please continue to support the Amazon Smile program and cite Komputer Enthusiasts of Greater Seattle as the non-profit group that you designate to benefit.

That's it for now. I will see you at an upcoming General Meeting or at your favorite SIG. 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 <a href="mailto:betacode@hotmail.com">betacode@hotmail.com</a>	Steve Fondren
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS General Meeting	
2nd Monday	9:30 PM - ? PM	Applebee's <a href="https://www.google.com/maps/place/13856+Bel+Red+Rd,+Bellevue,+WA+98005">13856 Bel Red Rd, Bellevue, WA 98005</a>	Pig SIG <a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-816-9216

Please check our KEGS calendar ([CLICK HERE](#)) 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 list actual dates. Please check our KEGS calendar ([CLICK HERE](#)) 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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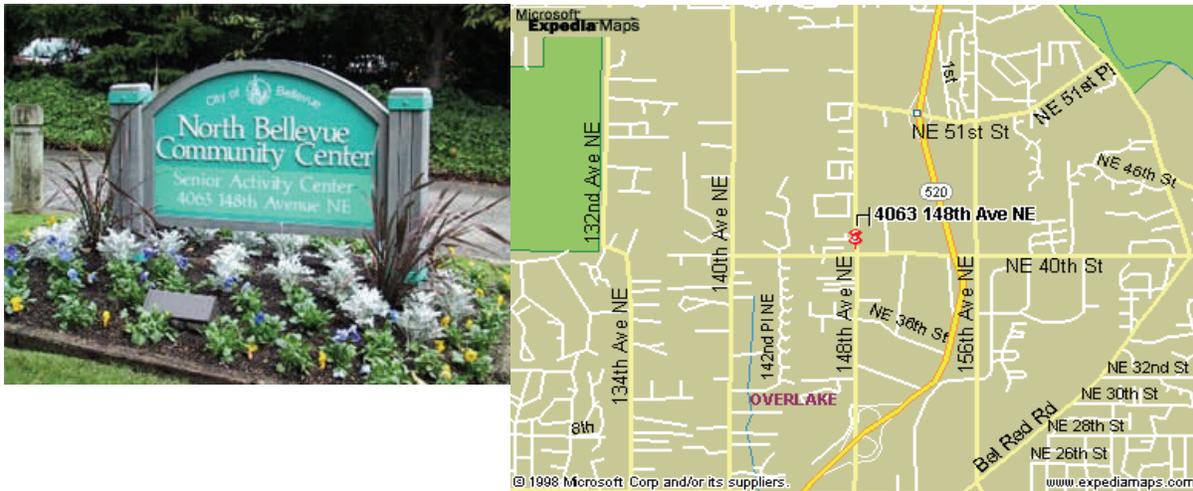
Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Pool Room	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue <a href="mailto:endeavor@frontier.com">endeavor@frontier.com</a> (Computer repair & maintenance)	Jon Mercer
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group (SEASIG) <a href="mailto:gary.skelton@gmail.com">gary.skelton@gmail.com</a>	Gary Skelton 425-861-7813
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Computer Use and Optimization <a href="mailto:r_cowger@prodigy.net">r_cowger@prodigy.net</a>	Ron Cowger
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Digital Imaging SIG <a href="mailto:sallyannmowrey@msn.com">sallyannmowrey@msn.com</a>	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-816-9216
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	<b>KEGS Board Meeting</b> <a href="mailto:r_cowger@prodigy.net">r_cowger@prodigy.net</a>	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.

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>.

Contact us at: Email: [board@kegs.org](mailto:board@kegs.org)  
or

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