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*Prez Says:*

**Gerald Smith**

Welcome to March, the month in which we go back to Daylight Saving Time! COVID Restrictions are beginning to be removed at the North Bellevue Community Center. We are hopeful that we will again be able to meet in person by May.

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, our General Meeting program will be “My 3D Printer” presented by Larry Fortna via Zoom. There are numerous 3D printing capabilities from FDM (Fused Deposition Modeling) to SLA (Stereolithography), ranging from a couple hundred dollars upward to thousands. Larry is not going to explain how all of them work, just his setup, which he has been using for over six years now. Larry will cover the tools he uses to design a 3D object for printing, the software he prefers to use to process the 3D objects into gcode (the 3D printer's language), and the software he uses to make 3D printed objects. He will talk about the filaments available, their pros and cons, and ways to improve the look of the finished product, the build plate, calibration, and maintenance of your machine, as well as some homemade tools he uses. Larry is constantly finding uses for his 3D printer. He doesn't know how he would get along without one now. So, join Larry to learn why and how you, too, should have a 3D printer.



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## *Prez Says: Continued*

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We always need more members, so please let others know about the informative Zoom meetings we have monthly and all of the free help we offer.

To keep up with technology visit <https://www.techforsenior.com> to learn about their Monday morning meetings (9:00 AM PT), their Newsletter, and their Facebook page.

Plan to attend an APCUG workshop or conference online. Because KEGS is a member of APCUG, all KEGS members are notified via email about these events. If you would like to attend a Zoom meeting of a computer club in another city, go to <https://apcug2.org/group-sharing-meetings/>.

Stay safe!

*Gerald Smith — 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	Jon Mercer
2nd Monday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	KEGS General Meeting	
2nd Monday	9:30 PM - ? PM	<a href="#">Red Robin, 2390 148th Ave NE, Redmond WA 98052</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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**North Bellevue Community / Senior Center - 4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA**

See last page for driving directions.

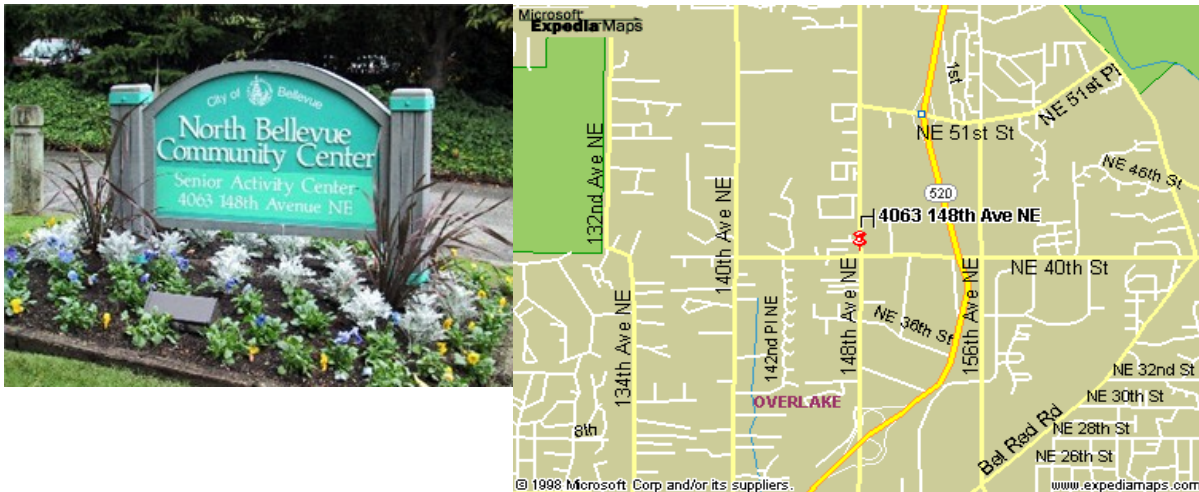
Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
1st Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Pool Room	Computer Support SIG - N. Bellevue <a href="mailto:endeavor@frontier.com">endeavor@frontier.com</a> (Computer repair & maintenance)	Jon Mercer
1st Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Seattle Internet User Group (SEASIG) <a href="mailto:stmpowell@comcast.net">stmpowell@comcast.net</a>	Steve Powell 206-437-4469
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:President@kegs.org">President@kegs.org</a>	Gerald Smith

## 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>.

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