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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

Prez Says:

Ron Cowger

Aloha! Yes, my wife and I spent a week enjoying the warmth and wonders of Hawaii during February but now we are getting back into the damp, chilly routine of life in the Pacific Northwest. Even though I was only gone a week, I found that I had 143 email messages waiting for me upon my return. Of course that included the eighty-some emails that my ISP had identified as possible spam and had routed to the Bulk Mail folder for disposal. After reviewing the spam candidates, I found that only three “good” emails had been misidentified so I rerouted those to my inbox. All in all, I feel that the system provided by Yahoo works well. Along the same line as email, spam and security concerns, I hope that you attended the February General Meeting and heard Mark Miller from Microsoft talk about computer security. The many Internet links that he offered during his talk can be found on the KEGS web site under “Support.” Scroll to the center of that page and click on Microsoft Security Resources. I think you’ll find the information there very timely and helpful.

At the February Board meeting, the members approved several changes to the Bylaws to add another officer to the Board structure. You can find the revised Bylaws on the KEGS web site if you’d care to review them.

Also, at the Board meeting, Joe Mraz announced that the management of the Kirkland Senior Center had asked him to conduct help sessions at the Kirkland location similar to the Beginning Hardware SIGs that we offer monthly at the Bellevue Senior Center. Joe has agreed to conduct these sessions every other month on the third Monday of odd numbered months from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. He will need some help from KEGS members that are willing to offer assistance to members of the community who bring in their systems and ask for hardware or software assistance. I hope that several of you will make yourselves available to help. The first computer-help session will be on March 15th. Contact Joe Mraz if you have any questions.



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The vendor presentation for the March General Meeting will be on SPOT technology and the door prize will be a SPOT-enable watch. You can read more about the presentation and find a link to more details in the Meetings section of the KEGS web site. This sounds exciting to all of us who remember the famous Dick Tracy wristwatch radios. I'm showing my age now....

Again, I want to encourage those of you who have not yet done so to renew your membership in KEGS as soon as possible. Right now, there are about forty of last year's members who have not renewed. We need your participation and your ideas. Please renew soon.

Here's wishing you happy and trouble-free computing. I look forward to seeing you at a KEGS or SIG meeting in the near future.

Respectfully,

Ron Cowger
President

KEGS General Meeting And Associated SIGs

KEGS T-shirts

Remember, you score extra KEGABUCK\$ when you wear your KEGS shirts to SIGs and the General Meetings! 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	Pegasus Pizza & Pasta 12699 NE 85 th, Kirkland	Pig SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 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 our SIG chart no longer lists actual dates. Please check your calendars for the date 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 j_m_mraz@hotmail.com	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Quick Books sarah@abcsupport.com	Sarah Gunderson 425-485-3437
2nd Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	WIN 95/98/XP?? daviddodge1@compuserve.com	David Dodge
2nd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Laptop SIG ctheprof@aol.com	Carl Von Papp 425-643-1398
3rd 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
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	Small Office / Home Office r_cowger@prodigy.net	Ron Cowger
3rd Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Seattle Internet User Group gary@zipcon.net	Gary Skelton
4th Tuesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Computer Lab	Digital Imaging SIG sallyannmowrey@msn.com	Sally Ann Mowrey 206-996-5635
4th Wednesday	7 PM - 9 PM	Conf. room D	HTML SIG jack@webwitch.com	Jack Beslanwich 206-723-9960

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

Day of Month	Time	Location	SIG / Email contact	SIG Leader
3rd Monday (Only on the ODD Months)	7:00 PM - 9 PM	Kirkland's Teen Union Bldg. Computer Lab	Computer Support SIG - Kirkland j_m_mraz@hotmail.com (Computer repair & maintenance)	Joe Mraz 425-747-2433

SIG Meeting Locations:

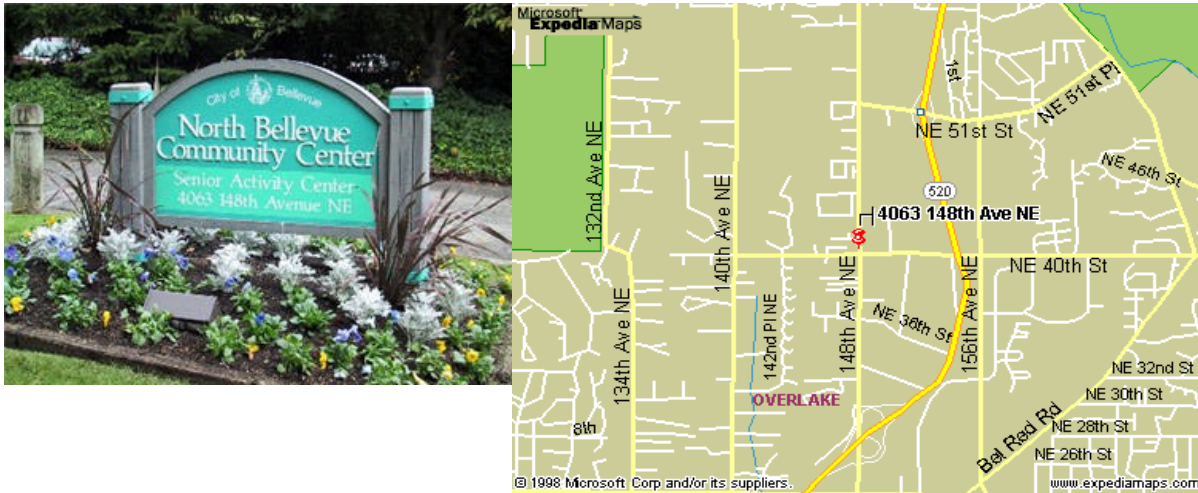
Please note that the KEGS Board meetings are not held at our General Meeting or SIG meeting locations

- KEGS Board Meetings are currently held at Executive Real Estate's Bellevue office on Lake Bellevue.

Contact Joe Mraz (j_m_mraz@hotmail.com) or any board member for directions.

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 Thursday 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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