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KOMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS OF GREATER SEATTLE

## Prez Says:

**Ron Cowger**

Happy New Year to you and yours! Here's wishing all members, their friends and families a healthy, happy and prosperous 2003! This includes successful computing, of course.

This is my first column as the new president of KEGS. I want to begin the new year by thanking Steve Fondren for all of the dedication and work that he put into making our User Group a healthy and successful organization. As our President for three years, he was always full of ambition and willing to try new ideas to enhance our programs and increase group membership. I learned a lot by serving on the Board of Directors with him and I'm glad that he will continue to serve so that I can continue to get new ideas and advice from him.

Also, I want to acknowledge the tremendous contributions that Al Hooper made to KEGS as one of the founding Board Members and a hard working member of the Board of Directors through the last several years. Al was one of the key members who insured that the organization obtained official 501(c)(3), Non-Profit Organization, status. Additionally, he always seemed to know what the Board could or should do within our by-laws and other established guidelines. Also, we all enjoyed his Facilitator role in the Q&A portion of our General Meetings. Al brought more to the organization than I know of and certainly more than I can detail here. We all owe him a lot for his many contributions to KEGS and to RainCoast. I think I speak for all of us when I offer our collective "Thanks" and wish him the very best as he moves on to other interests. We'll miss him.

**Lastly, I want to remind you that the Bellevue Senior Center will be closed through January 20<sup>th</sup> so our General Meeting and most of our SIGs will be cancelled for this month. Those SIGs that meet the third Tuesday and the fourth Wednesday, except the Hardware SIG, will meet unless there is an unexpected change in the Center's schedule. Check the KEGS web site for the latest status.**

I look forward to seeing all of you again at the various SIGs and the General Meeting in February. Again, Happy New Year!

Respectfully,

Ron Cowger  
President

**SIGS:**

**THE SENIOR CENTER IS CLOSED FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.**

**General Meeting**  
DUE TO THE SENIOR CENTER CLOSURE, THERE WILL BE **NO** GENERAL MEETING FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY.

**MOST ALL SIG MEETING THEREFORE ARE CANCELLED.**

**CHECK THE KEGS WEB-SITE FOR THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION.**

**SEE EVERYBODY IN FEBURARY!**

**Mark Miller from Microsoft will be speaking on PC security.**

- Sat., February 1, 10.30 AM (First Saturday of the Month)**  
Easter Seals Hardware\*\* ..... Bob Baxter, bob3@worldnet.att.net
- Tues., February 4, 7.00 PM (First Tuesday of the Month)**  
Access\* ..... Teresa Eade, teresa@eade.com  
Technology & Entertainment ..... Phil Keairns, philbar45@attbi.com  
Sr. Center Lab Support ..... Joe Mraz, j\_m\_mraz@hotmail.com  
Easter Seals Hardware\*\* ..... Bob Baxter, bob3@worldnet.att.net
- Wed., February 5, 7.00 PM (First Wednesday of the Month)**  
Genealogy On The Net ..... David Abernathy, David\_Abernathy@hotmail.com
- Sat., February 8, 10.30 AM (Second Saturday of the Month)**  
Easter Seals Hardware\*\* ..... Bob Baxter, bob3@worldnet.att.net
- Tues., February 11, 7.00 PM (Second Tuesday of the Month)**  
QuickBooks ..... Sarah Gunderson, sgcpa@myexcel.com  
Windows ..... Cliff Olin, cliff\_olin@hotmail.com
- Wed., February 12, 7.00 PM (Second Wednesday of the Month)**  
Laptop ..... Carl Von Papp, ctheprof@aol.com
- Thur., February 13, 7.00 PM (Second Thursday of the Month)**  
KEGS Technology Corner ..... Steve Fondren, betacode@hotmail.com  
General Meeting ..... PigSIG afterwards at Red Robin

## SIG Meeting Locations:

All groups meet at the Bellevue Senior Center unless noted as below.

\* Access meets at the Multiple Listing Center in Totem Lake

\*\* Easter Seals meets at the downtown location 157 Roy St. Seattle

\*\*\* Board Meetings are held at the home of Joe Mraz (j\_m\_mraz@hotmail.com for directions)

### Finding our 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



## 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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