



THE KCS NEWS



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– HELLO EVERYONE –

March is the time for Kitsap Computing Seniors to elect individuals interested in volunteering their time in the following **positions that need to be filled:**

Vice President

Membership

Program Coordinator – Find Speakers

Publicity – Advertising/Brochures

Secretary

Website Liaison

Trustees – Board Members

If you are interested in one or more positions, please contact Cheryl Smith at the email address below to discuss the description of the positions you would like to consider.

kitsapcomputingseniors@gmail.com

Thank you

Cheryl

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~~ FEBRUARY MEETING ~~

Monday, February 19, 2018

**Sheridan Park Community Center
680 Lebo Blvd. in East Bremerton.**

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Invited Speakers

Our Trustee, **Ed Evans**, will speak on AARP Safe Driving for Seniors, and **Mike Kerr**, who volunteers for the Sheriff's Department in Kitsap County will discuss what's going on around us that we should know.

February 2018 Activities

- Feb 2 Sylvan Way Library Lab 1:30 – 3:00
- Feb 6 Bremerton Lab 2:45 – 4:05
- Feb 9 Sylvan Way Library Lab 1:30 – 3:00
- Feb 12 Stock Discussion SIG 12:30 – 3:30
- Feb 13 Bremerton Lab 2:45 – 4:05
- Feb 14 Open Forum Class 12:30 – 3:30
- Feb 16 Sylvan Way Library Lab 1:30 – 3:00
- Feb 17 **Class at Goodwill 12:00 – 3:00**
- Feb 19 **KCS GENERAL MEETING 10:00 - 11:00**
- Feb 19 KCS Board Meeting 11:30 – 1:00
- Feb 20 Bremerton Lab 2:45 – 4:05
- Feb 23 Sylvan Way Library Lab 1:30 – 3:00
- Feb 27 Bremerton Lab 2:45 – 4:05

KCS to use a Goodwill Classroom for classes on a Saturday

KCS will begin conducting **monthly classes** for KCS Members using the **Bremerton Goodwill** training facility located at [4209 Wheaton Way](#).

To sign up for a class, contact Ruth Stephens at: 1-888-901-5805 ext: 1

This first class will be Saturday, 12:00 to 3:00 p.m., February 17, 2018. The subject will be:

"Working with Files and Folders in Windows"

There is space for 16 students.

Submitted by Jack Roudebush

See the *KCS Resource* page at www.KitsapComputingSeniors.org for locations and descriptions of activities.



President's Message

Hello All-

So, we have already gone through the first month of a New Year! Let me ask you just two questions...*How much did you get done that you planned to do last year? And how much of what was not accomplished carried over to this new year?* Whether it's how much or how little, you can evaluate your growth and learn from it.

Here at Kitsap Computing Seniors we did just that. We changed in ways we could not have foreseen. Some changes were good and some probably not so good, but we need to feel that we made it – yes, we made it through to 2018. Whether you personally dealt with health issues, or were forced to change homes, phone numbers, or email addresses, remember there is ALWAYS change. KCS's challenge is to see how much we can accomplish after making changes. Change should not stop our movement forward through life, but it could slow us down a bit or alter our course.

Some of you may have received a new computer, laptop, smartphone or an I-Pad this past year, maybe for your birthday, or maybe at Christmas - ***that you still don't really know how to use.*** In the past, I have gotten something new and learned only the bare minimum, as I never took the time to really acquaint myself with my new technical device. So, if you were blessed with a new device of some kind this past year, please don't do what I've done and only use it to perform one or two functions. In fact, if you learn what your device is capable of doing, it may make some of those new changes coming your way in 2018 much easier than you could have imagined!

I would like to remind you that KCS is here to serve your needs. Once you receive a new computer device, please put one or more of the following classes or labs on your calendar so that our KCS members with learned skills can help you figure out how to become

more acquainted with your new toy.....oh!! I mean new "technical device."

- One-on-one lab at Sylvan Way library in Bremerton every Friday from 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.
- One-on-one training at Mountain View Middle School in Bremerton every Tuesday from 2:45 - 4:05 p.m.
- Open Forums at Sheridan Community Center in Bremerton on second Wednesday of each month from 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.
- Semi-Annual Dust Bunny (clean your hard disk drive) at Sheridan Community Center in Bremerton – dates and times to be announced.
- SIG Investor Group at Sheridan Community Center on second Tuesday of each month at 12:30 p.m.
- Monthly Saturday class at Goodwill in Bremerton from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m., starting February 17th.

If you were really fortunate, and were given a substantial amount of cash as a gift, try visiting our SIG (Special Interest Group), so they can steer you in the right direction with ideas on how and where to invest.

And don't forget, if you know of someone who needs a computer, our New Horizons program can help. Fill out the application necessary to get the process started, and it will be our pleasure to supply them with their needs.

From Kitsap Computing Seniors.....***We Wish You The Best In This New Year!!***



Cheryl Smith

President/Membership/Public Relations
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All - Member Request...

As you know, your KCS Board Members are in the process of re-vamping our website (kitsapcomputingseniors.org). When we are pleased with an updated version, we will need a volunteer to serve as *KCS Website Liaison*.

The Liaison will communicate all present and future Board-approved changes to Laura Moynihan, our newly-designated Webmaster.

If this Liaison position interests you, please send an email to: Cheryl Smith at kitsapcomputingseniors@gmail.com

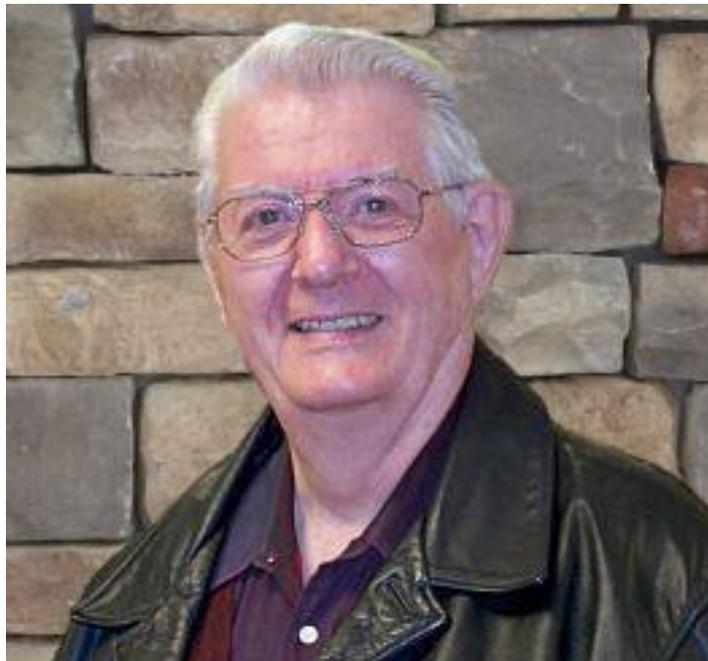
Thank You ~
Cheryl

KCS New Horizons in 2018

New Horizons is hitting the ground running in 2018. We're on tap to place five computers during January, three of them going to Kitsap Rescue Mission in Bremerton. I am working with Laura Daley of Housing Kitsap to begin monthly presentations of the New Horizons program to residents at various properties around the county as well as placing desktop computers at properties that have a community room so that their clients can access the internet to work with DSHS and other services. In addition, we will continue our monthly presentations for Bremerton Housing Authority to familiarize more of their clients with New Horizons

If you know of anyone with limited income or house bound, or a deserving veteran or student who cannot otherwise afford a computer, please let New Horizons know. We can be reached at kcsnewhorizons@gmail.com, or by calling Kitsap Computing Seniors at 1-888-901-5805, ext. 2.

Submitted by Jim Bromley



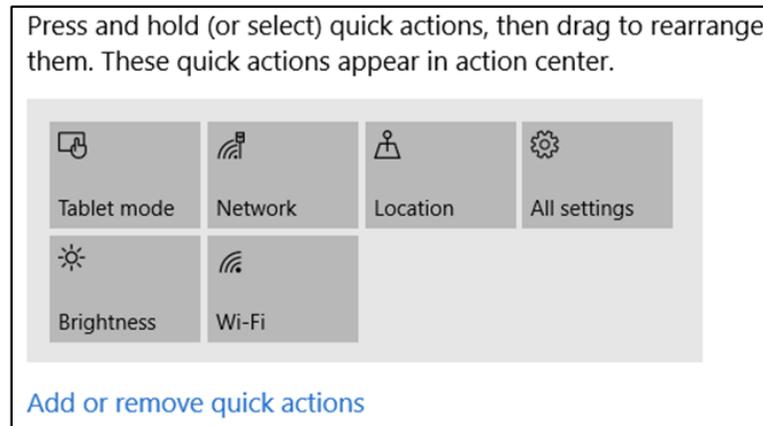
January speaker, Don Lawrence, stated that the 2017 Income Tax rules will be the same as 2016 with just a few minor changes. He also addressed items to be aware of now for our 2018 tax returns and what the new tax law entails.



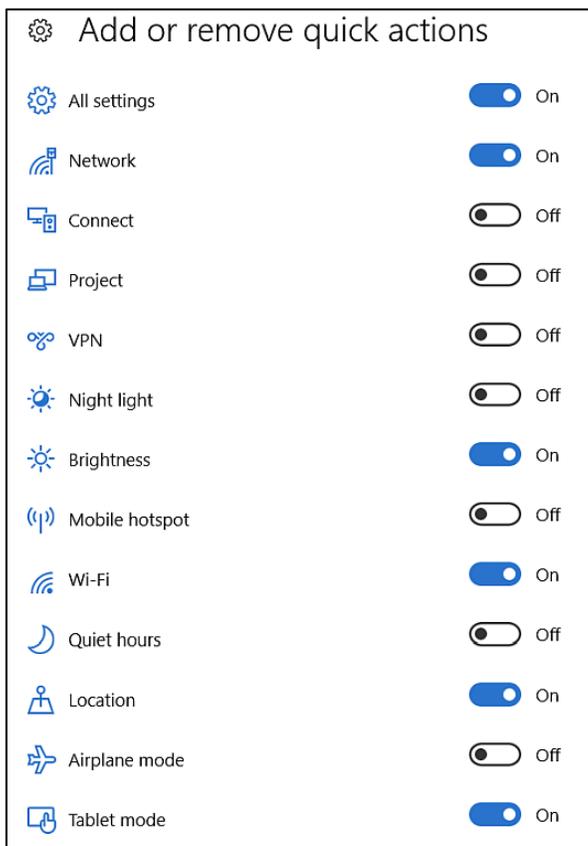
Change The Quick Actions In Windows 10 Action Center

Modified from an article at: <https://www.windowscentral.com/how-customize-action-center-windows-10#quick-actions>

1. Click on the **Start menu button**. It's the Windows icon in the bottom left corner of your screen.
2. Click on **Settings**.
3. Click on **System**.
4. On the left side, click on **Notifications and actions**.



5. Under the Quick Actions diagram, click on **Add or remove quick actions**.
6. Turn **ON** the option you want to be a quick action. Your options are as follows:



- **Note:** Persons with laptop computers will see an additional option: **Battery saver**

**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING**

January 15, 2018

Today's meeting was called to order by President Cheryl Smith at 10:05 a.m. Cheryl led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting held December 18, 2017. There were no objections, so the minutes were approved as written.

Tonya Lyons is the newest member to KCS. No visitors were present today.

Upcoming meetings and labs for January are as follows: One-on-one training on Tuesdays at Mountain View Middle School from 2:45-4:05 p.m., led by Jack Roudebush. Friday labs at Kitsap Regional Library, Bremerton on Sylvan Way from 1:30-3:00 p.m. Special Interest Group (SIG) is on the second Monday of the month from 12:30-3:30 p.m. here at Sheridan Park Community Center, led by Don Brown. Larry's Open Forum is on the second Wednesday of the month from 12:30-3:30 p.m. here at Sheridan Park Community Center. Jack is working with Goodwill for classes to be held there on Saturdays. Our calendar is on our website, www.kitsapcomputingseniors.org.

Next month our meeting will be on Monday, February 19, when we will have two speakers: Ed Evans will talk about the AARP Safe Drivers course and Mike Kerr, a volunteer for the sheriff's office in Silverdale, will also speak.

In today's board meeting we will only be talking about our website. Cheryl has received some ideas for revamping our website. Laura Moynihan, a graphic designer, will be assisting with the website. Laura will be at the Library every Friday, not just once a month, to help MAC users with their computers and I-phones.

Cheryl volunteers for Lutheran Community Services and RSVP (Retired Seniors Volunteer Program). KCS will be partnering with them so their volunteers can help us in the kitchen and New Horizons. Cheryl announced that she will be unable to continue as President after July 2018, wearing the same hats that she now wears, which are, President, Membership, and PR (Public Relations). She will continue as President and possibly PR if those are the only two hats she has

to wear when KCS returns from summer off in September 2018. Cheryl will prepare a newsletter article to let membership know our need for more volunteers.

Fran Cook was the winner of today's 50/50 raffle.

Today's speaker was Don Lawrence, a KCS member for 19 years. He has worked with the AARP Tax Aide program since 1998. Previously he worked for H&R Block and a CPA firm. He's been a Technology Specialist for the State of Washington since 2004. The 2017 Income Tax rules will be the same as 2016 with just a few changes. He addressed items to be aware of for 2018 tax returns and what the new tax law entails. For a copy of today's Power Point presentation, email him at don@sysguidance.com.

Don was thanked for his extensive presentation by a round of applause. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Submitted by Ruth Stephens, Secretary

***** Important Notice *****

Future KCS General Meetings will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m.

–Thank You–

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING

January 15, 2018

Today's meeting was called to order by President Cheryl Smith at 12:15 p.m. at the Sheridan Park Community Center. Trustees present were Cheryl Smith, President, Myra Clodius, Treasurer, Ruth Stephens, Secretary, Ed Evans, Jim Bromley, June Jones, Chris Snow, Gwen Olsson. Al Valencia and Thelma Gurske-Taylor were absent. Other KCS members present were Jack Roudebush, Don Brown, Lorie Kolby and Merry Kennedy.

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Secretary's Report: The December Minutes were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Myra reported there is \$1,754.89 in Checking and \$14,531.04 in Savings as of December 31. The Budget Summary was not discussed.

There were no updates this month for Membership, Hardware, Education, SIGs, and Sunshine.

Programs: Our February guest speakers will be Ed Evans talking about AARP Drivers Course and Mike Kerr, a volunteer from the sheriff's office in Silverdale. For March our speaker will be Andrea Dolan-Potter, Director of RSVP.

New Horizons: Jim Bromley has given monthly presentations for Kitsap Housing Authority using Power Point. He requested help for June Jones, who interviews potential recipients of computers. Kitsap Rescue Mission needs 3 desktop computers. Jim has placed 3 computers since December's meeting. Applicants need to have an internet provider before computers are placed.

Old Business: The new exit door project is moving slowly. The door vendor is scheduled for a site visit next week.

New Business:

Website Revamping: A suggestion Cheryl has received for revamping our KCS website is to record each meeting and speaker and put a link online to see the presentations. A past president was using his own equipment and putting the video on YouTube. This idea was in our Strategic Plan. Our partnership with Lutheran Community Services needs to be listed.

Cheryl showed the website of SenCom, posted by a group of seniors computers in Kansas City. Our club need a new logo and access keys or tabs across the top of the page to include "Join" and "Donate." Other tabs would be Classes/Labs, Newsletter, General and Board Meetings, SIGS, New Horizons, and About Us.

Ideas from Jim were: 1) link or tab to New Horizons home page; 2) open a photo montage or slide show of

past computer placement; 3) text regarding purpose of New Horizons program; 4) an online application that can be filled out online and returned to kcs.newhorizons@gmail.com; 5) a blog with computer tips, Window tips, etc., like we currently have in our newsletter; and 6) links to other tech websites such as major geeks.com, as recommended by Jim and Larry.

We need someone to update our website. Doug has been our webmaster, but he doesn't want to continue with it. We can pay Laura Moynihan. Need to find out what she would charge to maintain it for us, or if she'd volunteer her time. Jim moved/June seconded that Cheryl ask Laura if she'd be willing to be webmaster and how much she would charge. Charge would be "as needed" and that would need to be put in the contract. We need a volunteer to be a liaison. A newsletter article was suggested. We need a single point of contact between KCS and the webmaster. Question was asked as to how other nonprofits handle this. (*Myra and Chris left around 1:00 p.m.*) Vote was taken on the motion on the floor and carried unanimously. Discussion will continue next month.

Job titles were discussed. Ed suggested "KCS Website Liaison." The volunteer should be given a job description and title and expectations. Cheryl will send out suggestions she has received to Board members via email.

Elections: Ruth asked about March elections for trustees, as several trustees are due for re-election and we are short 2 trustees. Other vacant positions are Vice President, Programs, and PR. A nominating committee is needed. (*June left at 1:25.*) Ed said positions may need to be revised. Liaison needs to be added to the Bylaws.

Jack said newsletters are online and archived. Lorie asked for a link to past newsletters to be on the front page or elsewhere in the newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Submitted by Ruth Stephens, KCS Secretary

