

Bearly Bytes



Next Meeting, 1:30 - 3:30pm, Tuesday, August 11, 2015

President's Message

Hello Friends,

I would like to remind everyone that we have 3 workshops planned this year. Here is the schedule.

Beginning Computer – August 17

Back-up Your Data – September 21

Windows 10 – October 19

All workshops will take place at the Senior Center. The time is 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. We ask a \$15 donation.

We will have sign-up sheets at the Aug. 11, 2015 meeting.

Speaking of the Aug. 11 meeting, we will have a presentation on AI. What is that? It is Artificial Intelligence. That means what? It is intelligence shown by machines. They can think, use logic, learn and solve problems. AI is in machines that are programmed to clean floors, set alarms on phones and phones that listen and speak. They also take out military installations from the air. Want to learn more? Come to the August meeting.

See you then.

Rosemary Lloyd



Rosemary Lloyd (Left)
and Jim Lloyd (Right)

Everyone is welcome
consider bringing a snack to share during break-time

NEXT CLUB MEETING
August 11, 2015
Artificial Intelligence
Presentation by Bill Treadwell

What is Artificial Intelligence (AI)? Where is it? Here's a hint, consider what is human intelligence? Well, then artificial intelligence is the application and insertion of human intelligence into machines.

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Computer Club Workshops

Workshop Schedule

All workshops will take place at the Senior Center. The time is 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. We ask a \$15 donation.

Beginning Computer – August 17

The Beginning Computer class is for people who want to learn how to use their machine. Get to know your way around the computer better. Become more comfortable with it.

Back-up Your Data – September 21

If your computer dies or becomes infected with malware, what happens to your pictures, videos, music and important documents? Learn about backing up this important data, so all is not lost if disaster happens.

Windows 10 – October 19

Windows 10 planned release date is July 29. New computers will have it. Learn about Microsoft's new Operating System.



The **Beginning Computer Workshop** is open to the general public. The workshop is for those who have never sat in front of a computer or someone who has started out with a few tasks such as email, but is unsure about any other possibilities. This workshop is also for someone who worked with a computer in an office environment where the usage was limited to a particular program for data entry and data management.

The classes will include recognizing the task bar, functions on the start menu, desk top icons, what are files, folders, cut and paste, etc. all basic learning knowledge that is needed to feel comfortable with computers. If you have a laptop, please bring it with you for hands on training.

Space is limited so make your reservation now

Workshop Address Big Bear Senior Center — 42651 Big Bear Blvd

9 reasons not to upgrade to Windows 10 – yet By Preston Gralla

Windows 10 is here -- and many users (especially those who have been wrestling with Windows 8) are probably eager to upgrade. But even if you can get it now -- the upgrade will be sent first to [those who signed up for the Windows Insider beta program](#) and then in "slow waves" to everyone else -- you may want to hold off.

Here are nine reasons you might want to put off a Windows 10 upgrade.

1. Your system can't run it

This may seem obvious, but sometimes it's the obvious that gets missed. In order to run Windows 10, you need a PC or tablet with a 1GHz processor or faster, 1GB of RAM for 32-bit machines or 2GB for 64-bit machines, 16GB hard disk space for 32-bit machines or 20GB hard disk space for 64-bit machines, a DirectX 9 or later graphics card with a [WDDM 1.0](#) driver and an 800 x 600 display or better. For more details, go to Microsoft's [Windows 10 specifications page](#).

If your system doesn't qualify, then you're going to have to upgrade your hardware before you upgrade your operating system. (Or just buy a new computer with Windows 10 already installed.)

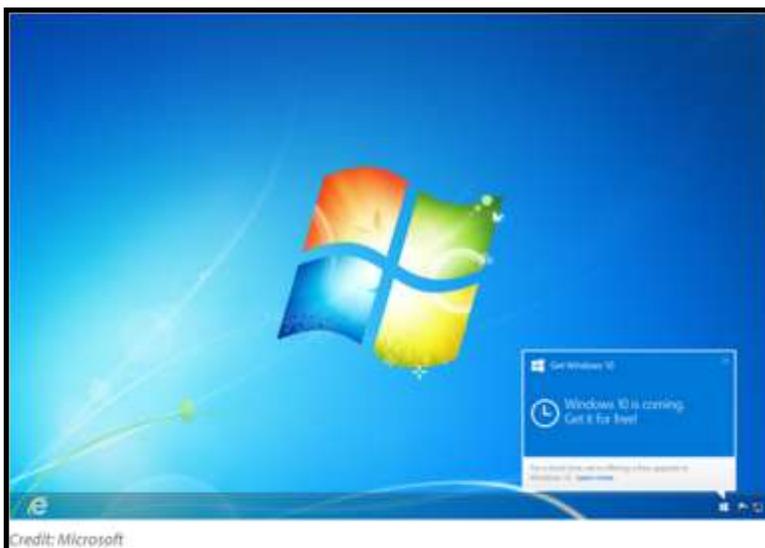
2. You get a year for the free upgrade offer

Windows 7 and Windows 8 users get a free upgrade to Windows 10. But you don't have to upgrade right away -- you have a full year. (The clock starts on July 29, 2015.) So you can upgrade at your leisure and

not waste a bright, summer day doing it.

3. You're using Windows 7

Windows 10 undoes the damage done by Windows 8, an operating system that was built more for touch devices than for traditional PCs. In fact, two of Windows 10's



big improvements over Windows 8 are the addition of a Windows 7-style Start menu and the ability to work entirely on the desktop and ignore the touch-focused Start screen.

So if you currently use Windows 7, you're already set -- you have a Start menu and you work only on the desktop. In short: If you're happy with the way Windows 7 works, you may want to stay with it.

4. You like Windows 7 desktop gadgets

Windows 7 includes [desktop gadgets](#) that do things such as check the weather and stock quotes, monitor your CPU, report about the state of your system, let you listen to streaming radio stations, and check

your hard drive speed and the state of your network. They don't work on Windows 10 and will be deleted when you upgrade. So if you're a gadget fan, don't upgrade.

5. Security updates for Vista, Windows 7 and Windows 8 will be available for years

Microsoft has a habit of pushing people to its latest operating system by ending support for its old operating systems, halting security updates and leaving users potentially open to security threats. If you have Windows 7 or Windows 8, you've got years before that happens. Microsoft will [keep issuing security patches](#) for Windows 7 until January 2020 and for Windows 8 until January 2023. Even Windows Vista will get security updates until April 2017. So no need to rush.

6. You use OneDrive placeholders

In Windows 8.1, OneDrive placeholders, also called [smart files](#), let you see all of the files in OneDrive, even if the files are located in the cloud and not on your device. When you double-click a placeholder on your PC, the file is downloaded. However, when Windows 10 ships, OneDrive placeholders won't work because of the

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Ten things you should know about upgrading to Windows 10, because it is not as simple as you might think

By Preston Gralla

Want the inside info on [upgrading to Windows 10](#) on your PC? You'll need it -- because the process is not as simple as you might think.

To begin with, not all machines are eligible for the upgrade and not all eligible machines will actually run it. And it's only the PC and larger tablet versions of Windows 10 that get released today -- the smaller tablet and phone versions will come sometime later, possibly in late September.

Wait, there's more: Even if your computer or tablet *is* eligible and *can* run Windows 10, there's a good chance you might not be able to upgrade to the new OS for a while. But don't fret -- if you need to know when you might get it, how to install it, system requirements, what's new and more, we've got you covered.

Here are ten things to know before you install Windows 10.

1. It may not be available for you right away.

The shipping version of Windows 10 is now available -- but that doesn't mean that you can upgrade to it today. In fact, most people won't be able to. It's only available as an upgrade to those who previously signed up to for Microsoft's Windows Insider program. In fact, Microsoft Windows chief Terry Myerson said in a recent blog entry that it would become available "in waves, slowly scaling up after July 29th." Microsoft isn't

saying how slow those waves will be, so there's no way to know how long you'll have to wait.

You can, however, buy a new PC today with Windows 10 on it. Dell, Hewlett-Packard, Lenovo and Acer have all announced that their Windows 10 machines will be available as of today -- and in some cases, if you pre-ordered ahead of time, the systems will be delivered to you today. You also may be able to buy them from brick-and-mortar retailers.

2. There are rules for the free upgrade.

Microsoft is pushing Windows 10 hard -- so hard that millions of existing machines are eligible for free upgrades. To get the free upgrade, you need to have a machine with Windows 7 SP1 or Windows 8.1 --- and it needs a valid license. No license, no upgrade. If you have a machine with Windows 7 that has not yet been [upgraded to SP1](#) or a Windows 8 machine that hasn't been [upgraded to 8.1](#), you've got to get those upgrades first via Windows Update -- then you can move to Windows 10.

And keep in mind that there is a time limit on the free upgrade --- do it before July 29, 2016. After that, Microsoft says, it'll cost you -- \$119 to upgrade to Windows Home and \$199 to upgrade to Windows Pro.

3. Using Windows RT? You're out of luck.

If you've got a Windows RT device, such as the [Surface tablet](#),

you won't be able to upgrade to Windows 10. (The Surface Pro line, which is based on true-blue Windows, can be upgraded to Windows 10, though.) However, some sort of RT upgrade was promised "around the time of Windows 10 release," according to Microsoft's [Windows 10 FAQ](#) -- so stay tuned.

4. Make sure to reserve a copy.

If you've got an eligible machine, you need to reserve a copy of Windows 10 in order to be included in one of the upgrade "waves" mentioned previously.

To reserve your copy, look for the Windows icon on your machine's taskbar -- what Microsoft calls the Get Windows 10 app. Click it and you can walk through a short series of screens to reserve your copy. If you want a confirmation that you're signed up, go to the small menu at the top left of the screen and click "View confirmation."

At some point, you'll get a notification that Windows 10 is ready to install, along with instructions. If you don't want to install yet, don't worry. Simply don't install.

If you get cold feet after you reserve your copy of Windows 10, you can cancel it. Right-click the Windows icon on the taskbar and select "Check your upgrade status." Then click the menu at the upper left of the screen and choose

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Windows 10 Tips

Regarding Windows 10 Upgraded from Marc Busch who is a Big Bear Valley Computer Club board member

#1: ENSURE YOU BACK UP ALL YOUR PERSONAL DATA TO EXTERNAL MEDIA SUCH AS DOCUMENTS, PHOTOS, VIDEOS, E-MAILS, ETC. PRIOR TO RUNNING THIS UPGRADE. IF YOU ARE UNSURE HOW TO DO THIS, CONTACT ONE OF OUR HELP-LINE FOLKS LISTED ON OUR WEBSITE NEWSLETTER, OR YOUR LOCAL COMPUTER PROFESSIONAL. UPGRADES DON'T ALWAYS WORK THE FIRST TIME, AND IF YOU HAVE A HARDWARE FAILURE SUCH AS RAM OR A FAILING HARD DRIVE, THE UPGRADE CAN FAIL AND YOU CAN LOSE ALL YOUR INFORMATION!! BE WARNED! We will cover this more in the upcoming BBCC workshops on Backup & Windows10 in the fall.

#2: If you are dissatisfied with Windows10 for any reason, Microsoft has made a free Downgrade available for 1 month, which if run promises to revert your PC, laptop, or tablet to your previous version of Windows (7/8/8.1). This is as yet untested by the Insider testing community, so we cannot guarantee it will work, so we Windows10 experts are recommending you follow the backup step in #1 above as a precaution!

Ira Wilsker Tip!

With Windows 10 being re-released, Ira Wilsker says (among other things) I strongly recommend making both an image backup and a critical data backup of your current setup before installing Windows 10. If for some reason you don't like Windows 10 after installing it, the image backup copy can be used to restore your earlier operating system. Backing up critical data files should always be done, "just in case."

Get Windows 10 without using Windows Update

If you would like to get Windows 10 without going through the update process, for a clean install for example, then you will have to [download the Windows 10 ISO file](#).

If you have a Windows Vista or Windows XP PC you would like to update, you have to purchase Windows 10. Windows 10 Home will cost you \$119, while Windows 10 Pro will cost \$199.

As of July 29, 2015, most new devices will be available with either Windows 10 or Windows 8.1, which can be upgraded to Windows 10 for free. If your PC is more than a few years old, it might make more sense to spend money on a new device rather than to update and old one



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5. Yes, there are minimum system requirements

If you've bought your PC or tablet in the last three years, it most likely will run Windows 10. However, devices bought before then may not run it if they don't meet Microsoft's [official minimum specs](#):

- OS: Windows 7 SP1 or Windows 8.1 Update
- Processor: 1GHz or faster
- RAM: 1GB RAM for a 32-bit system or 2GB RAM for a 64-bit system
- Hard drive space: 16GB for a 32-bit system or 20GB for a 64-bit system
- Graphics card: DirectX 9 or later with WDDM 1.0 driver
- Display: 1024 x 600 resolution

6. Windows 10 is available in multiple configurations

As with earlier versions of Windows, Windows 10 comes in [multiple configurations](#). What follows is a brief description of what each iteration offers -- you can also download a [full PDF comparison table](#) from Microsoft's site.

If you're upgrading from Windows 7 Starter, Home Basic or Home, you'll be upgraded to Windows 10 Home. Machines with Windows 7 Professional or Windows 7 Ultimate will be upgraded to Windows 10 Pro. If you upgrade from Windows 8.1 you'll be upgraded to Windows 10 Home. And if you upgrade from Windows 8.1 Pro or Windows 8.1 Pro for Students, you'll be upgraded to Windows 10 Pro.

Home includes what Microsoft

calls the "core experiences" -- basically, the guts of the operating system with the primary features, including the Start Menu; Windows Defender and Windows firewall; [digital assistant Cortana](#); fingerprint, facial and iris recognition; virtual desktops; and the [new Edge browser](#).

Pro includes everything in the Home version, plus additional business and advanced features, such as Bitlocker encryption, Domain Join, Group Policy Management and Remote Desktop.

Enterprise is the most complete version of Windows, and includes everything in the Home and Pro versions, plus additional features such as Windows To Go Creator (which lets you create a USB drive with Windows on it), AppLocker (which creates rules that allow or deny applications from running) and security tools such as Enterprise Data Protection.

Education is the same as the Enterprise edition except that it doesn't have a feature called Long-Term Branching Service, which controls the way in which Windows versions are delivered to users.

7. Your tablet may be getting Windows 10 now --- or not

Do you have a small tablet running Windows Phone? Then you're temporarily out of luck. Microsoft is developing two versions of Windows 10: one for desktops, laptops and larger tablets (typically with screens measuring 8 in. and more);

and one for mobile phones and smaller tablets with screens under 8 in.

This is because larger tablets, such as the [Microsoft Surface Pro](#) or the [Lenovo Yoga Tablet 2](#), run true blue Windows 8.1, not Windows Phone. So if you have one of those, or a similar tablet that runs either Windows 8.1 or Windows 7, and that meets the requirements for running Windows 10 outlined earlier in this article, you'll be getting the upgrade.

If, however, you have a smaller tablet (or a phone) that runs Windows Phone, you'll have to wait for the upgrade; current expectations are that it won't be available until the fall.

8. Look for a new -- and old - - browser

As mentioned before, Microsoft is introducing a new browser called Edge, built from the ground up, with a new page-rendering engine. It's Chrome-like with a simple, stripped-down interface, and is faster than Internet Explorer. Edge supports extensions and integrates with Cortana. There are a slew of other new features, including a Reading Mode that strips out ads and other unnecessary information from pages, and the ability to annotate and share Web pages.

As for Internet Explorer, it's still in Windows 10 -- solely for compatibility reasons, because many enterprises have built applications on

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upgraded OneDrive software..

Microsoft says it will try to bring OneDrive placeholder functionality to Windows 10 by year's end. But if OneDrive placeholders are important to you, don't upgrade until they work with Windows 10.

7. You have old peripherals

The Achilles heel of most new operating systems is handling older peripherals, such as printers and scanners. Microsoft doesn't always make sure that drivers for vintage devices work with the new operating system -- it would take too many development resources. As a result, some of these peripherals won't work with newer operating systems.

So if you have old favorites with a lot of mileage on them, don't upgrade right away. Scour the Internet for news of whether they work with Windows 10, and only upgrade to it when you know that they do.

8. You love Windows Media Center

Yes, it's true -- there are some people who are big fans of Window Media Center, which was released way back in 2002 and which is used to play video, music and other media. Microsoft has been trying to kill it off for years, and even disbanded the team responsible for it back in 2009.

The truth is, Media Center was always a nightmare to set up and

has been superseded by streaming media services such as Netflix, Amazon Prime, Hulu, Spotify, Apple Music and many others. Still, there are die-hards out there who love it -- and who will be dismayed to learn that Windows Media Center won't work with Windows 10. If you're one of that group, stay away from upgrading.

9. You don't need the pain of early adoption

No matter how widespread beta testing is for a new operating system, it can't uncover all the bugs and gotchas. A new operating system hasn't been tested on every possible piece of hardware, with every piece of software, and with every hardware/software combination. People who upgrade immediately are the guinea pigs. They're the ones who feel the pain.

If you'd prefer to go with an operating system that's had enough time for a shakedown cruise, wait another six months before you upgrade.

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top of it. But Edge is Windows 10's default browser, and will be the focus of Microsoft's future browser development efforts. Expect Internet Explorer to eventually go away.

9. The new Start Menu is not just Windows dressing.

One of the greatest criticisms of Windows 8 was the elimination of the Start Menu. In Windows 10, it finally comes back -- with a

vengeance. In addition to doing all the things it used to let you do, such as running desktop applications and searching, you can also run what are now called Windows apps (in other words, "normal" Windows applications) and Cortana.

In fact, users of non-touch desktops and laptops need never pop into the touch-formatted Start Screen, because everything they need to do is accessible from the Start Menu.

10. Use touch? Don't use touch? Windows 10 can handle it.

Windows 10 is a shape-shifting operating system. Using a technology that Microsoft calls Continuum, the OS accommodates itself to the device you're using. So on a tablet, Windows 10 defaults to the touch-based Start screen interface, while on a non-touch device, it defaults to the desktop and Start Menu interface. tablet with a keyboard, it defaults to the desktop when you have a keyboard attached and to the Start menu when there's no keyboard attached. If you're using your device with a keyboard and then detach the keyboard, Windows will ask if you want to switch to tablet mode. Similarly, if you are using your device as a tablet and you attach a keyboard, it will ask if you want to switch to non-tablet mode.

You'll find lots more detail about Windows 10 in our [full hands-on review](#).

Free APCUG Virtual Conference

APCUG's FREE 2015 Summer Virtual Technology Conference (VTC) will be held on **Saturday, August 15, from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Eastern Time**. The sessions are 50 minutes in length and offer attendees the opportunity to ask questions via a chat window. Videos from earlier conferences can be found on APCUG's YouTube channel www.youtube.com/apcugvideos.

To register for this VTC, please click on the below link:

http://bit.ly/APCUG_2015_Summer-VTC This link is where you can view the presenter bios and, after the conference, you can download the handouts and get links to the videos.

<http://apcug2.org/apcug-2015-summer-virtual-tech-conference-vtc16/> Spread the word by forwarding this e-mail to your members. VTCs are a great way for them to expand their technology experience and be introduced to new skills. Below are the sessions that are currently scheduled.

If you would like further information, please send an email to jtaylor@apcug.org

TRACK 1

Files, Folders and Management - How to operate like a pro

David Williams, APCUG Director; Secretary, Online Services and Programs, Central Iowa Computer User Group

This presentation is about file management and using Windows' built-in file manager known as File Explorer or Windows Explorer. Whether you are just learning about Windows or are a seasoned user, you will get some important information on how to organize your files on your hard drive or in the cloud. We will also be talking about some tips and tricks for Dropbox, One

Drive and Google Drive

Windows 10

Bill James, APCUG Advisor, Region 8; Vice President, Oklahoma City Computer Club

It was released on July 29! Free for 12 months to Windows 7 and 8.1 users! Bill will show us the ins and outs of Microsoft's latest operating system. Bring your questions.



iPad 201

Jere Minich, APCUG Advisor, Region 5; Program Chair, Lake-Sumter Computer Society

Following up on Jere's Spring VTC iPad 101 presentation, he will be taking you to the next level for effectively using your iPad: Settings, features, maintenance, resources and tips and tricks + Siri.

Is your group taking advantage of APCUG's benefits?

Judy Tylour, BODA Chair; President, SCV Computer Club

I have received many e-mails from user group officers / members asking about how APCUG can benefit their group. We'll go over how your benefits of membership can, in turn, benefit your members.

TRACK 2

TechBoomers

TechBoomers.com, Steve Black, President & CEO;

Techboomers.com is a free educational website that teaches older adults and other inexperienced Internet users with basic computer skills about websites that can help improve their quality of life.

Use the tutorials for SIG meetings, a hands-on presentation at your club meeting, put the tutorial into a PowerPoint presentation to give at your user group meeting, etc.

3D printer

Larry Fortna, Member, Lake Sumter Computer Society, Florida

3D printing has come into the mainstream and made affordable just within the past few years. It is now possible to purchase a 3D printer for under \$500 that can reproduce objects of your imagination right in your own living room.

Larry's presentation will demonstrate one such 3D printer as well as some of the FREE tools that you can use to create 3D objects and even have them made on a 3D printer in your area.

Applian's Replay Capture Suite

Cheryl Wester, APCUG Advisor, Region 10; Program Chair, Temecula Valley CUG

Do you like music? Do you have favorite videos you like to record? If so come to this workshop and see how easy it is to capture music, videos, and more.

APCUG Resources

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Pluto, historic flyby

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by [Clyde Tombaugh](#), and was originally considered the [ninth planet](#) from the Sun.

It takes **247.7** Earth years for Pluto to orbit the Sun once. So, if you happen to live on Pluto, you would not yet be a year old...still young!



Pluto, also called **Pluto the Pup**, is a cartoon character created in 1930 by Walt Disney Productions.

In 1930, did Clyde Tombaugh and Walt Disney acted in amusing collusion?



January 19, 2006: New Horizons Launches for Pluto

There is video on NASA's website showing different views of Pluto starting with Hubble Space Telescope pictures taken 1966-2003 and then a series of New Horizons photos April 9, 2015 through July 15, 2015 ending with a very close-up picture of Pluto: [views-of-pluto-through-the-years](#). Be patient, it takes a bit of time for the video to completely load. Once running it will automatically re-run.

APCUG has updated new website

Take a tour of APCUG for yourself: <http://apcug2.org/>

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<http://apcug2.org/apcug-2015-las-vegas-conference/>



National Clown Week August 1-7



RICHARD NIXON
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Proclamation 4071 - National Clown Week
 August 2, 1971

By the President of the United States Of America

A Proclamation

Whoever has heard the laughter of a child or seen sudden delight on the face of a lonely old man has understood in those brief moments mysteries deeper than love.

All men are indebted to those who bring such moments of quiet splendor-who redeem sickness and pain with joy. All across America good men in putty noses and baggy trousers following a tradition as old as man's need to touch gently the lives of his fellowman, go into orphanages and children's hospitals, homes for the elderly and for the retarded, and give a part of themselves. Today, as always, clowns and the spirit they represent are as vital to the maintenance of our humanity as the builders and the growers and the governors.

In the folklore of the world is the persistent claim that the heart of a clown is sad, and that all the gladness he provokes is simply a facade for the pain he cannot reveal to the world. In the myth is the kernel of reason: the clown leaves happiness where he goes, and takes misery away with him.

Yet we cannot suppose there is real truth in the myth. For surely the laugh-makers are blessed: they heal the heart of the world.

To call public attention to the charitable activities of clowns and the wholesome entertainment they provide for all our citizens, the Congress by a joint resolution approved October 8, 1970 (Public Law 91-433), has requested the President to designate the week of August 1 through August 7, 1971, as International Clown Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the week of August 1 through August 7, 1971, as International Clown Week. I invite the Governors of the States and the appropriate officials of other areas under the United States flag to issue similar proclamations.

I urge the people of the United States recognize the contributions made by clowns in their entertainment at children's hospitals, charitable institutions, for the mentally retarded, and generally helping to lift the spirits and boost the morale of our people.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of August, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-sixth.

RICHARD NIXON

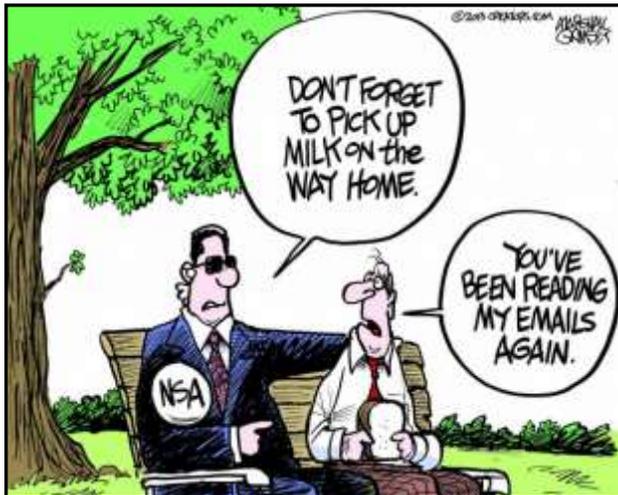
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Must attend the following meeting to receive the prize

Bits & Bytes

July 2015 Club Meeting had no formal presentation, rather they had a good time eating a July Christmas Dinner and talking about the Club. Also a large number of items were given out during the opportunity drawings.

Some Attendees at the last Club Meeting



The Opportunity Drawing Table



And Christmas Cake !



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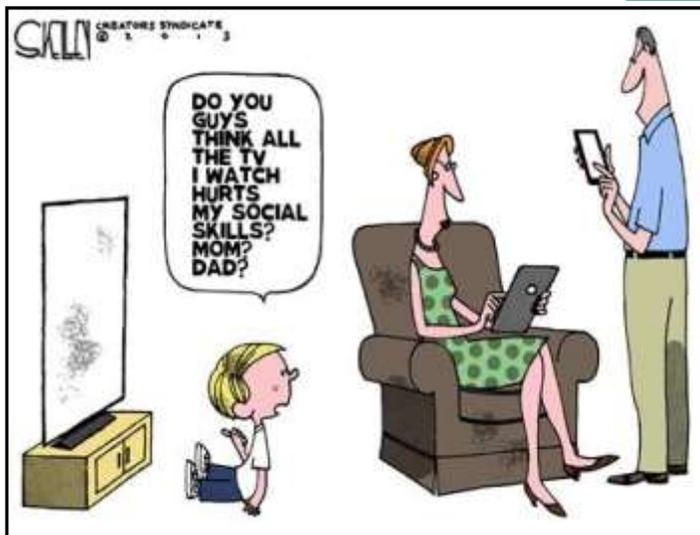
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Promotion	44.87
Supplies	96.00
Total Expenses	\$ 140.87
Ending Balance	\$2,287.40



Group Newsletter Sites



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Word Tips

By Rosemary Lloyd

Embed a YouTube or Other Web Video in Word 2013

It can be nice to have text and media in one place. For example, Word 2013 allows you to **Insert Web Video**. While YouTube is a popular web video site, you can embed from elsewhere.

*I add a great [PBS video about steampunk](#), to seamlessly add depth to my explanation of the genre by clicking **Insert - Online Video - From YouTube**. I can also use other sites, but opting for YouTube means I don't have to copy and paste an embed code.*

By Cindy Grigg
Office Software Expert

<http://office.about.com/od/WebApps/ss/Gallery-Of-Features-In-Microsoft-Word-2013.htm#step7>



Excel Tips

By Yomar Cleary

Turning Off Error Checking

While you have Excel open, it is constantly checking in the background for potential errors in your worksheets. If an error is located (or, at the least, what Excel thinks is an error), then the cell is "flagged" with a small green triangle in the upper-left corner of the cell.

If you don't want Excel to check for errors, you can turn the feature off by following these steps:

1. Display the Excel Options dialog box. (In Excel 2007 click the Office button and then click Excel Options. In Excel 2010 and Excel 2013 display the File tab of the ribbon and then click Options.)
2. Click Formulas at the left side of the dialog box.
3. Clear the Enable Background Error Checking check box.
4. Click OK.

Any existing green triangles should disappear, and Excel stops checking for errors.



Apple Tips

Do Unit Conversions in Spotlight



As well as being able to do calculations in Spotlight, in Yosemite it gets an extra trick: unit conversions. You can do specific unit conversions if you need to – "13 stone in lbs", say – but it's also intelligent enough that in many cases if you just give it the amount and unit you want to convert, it will suggest not just the likely conversion but also plenty of alternates. Type in '\$1299' and you'll immediately be told what that is in Sterling (based presumably on what's set as your native currency in the Language & Region pane of System Preferences), and then when the window folds down to show more results, you'll see Euros, Yen and so on.



Helpline

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