



Little Rock SeniorNet Newsletter
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Class Schedules

SeniorNet Class Schedules for January 2016



2016 Computer Classes for Seniors (50+)

SeniorNet of Little Rock will be offering the following classes in **January - 2016**

1/6 /16	Wednesday	1:00 - 2:30	Win 10 - Start Menu (1 ½ Hour Workshop)	Bill Owens
1/11-16	Monday	1:00 – 2:30	Win 10 - Microsoft Edge (1 ½ Hour Workshop)	Karl Liss
1/6 – 1/27/16	Mon - Wed	10:00 – 12:00	Fundamentals for Beginners – Win 8	Pat Kissire
1/5/ – 1/28/16	Tues - Thurs	10:00 – 12:00	File Management – Windows 8	Martha Hunt
1/5/ – 1/28/16	Tues - Thurs	1:00 – 3:00	Introduction to Computers – Windows 10	Charlie Frith

Classes will be held at the Donald W. Reynolds Center UAMS Institute on Aging in Room 2156. If you are interested in enrolling in a class or obtaining more information about any of the classes, please call SeniorNet voice mail at (501) 603-1262 or send an email to seniornetjoan2@gmail.com Check our website: littlerockseniornet.com

Diane Hughes, Chairman Little Rock Learning Center

No Classes in December

SeniorNet Needs Your Help!

If you were going to attend windows classes, would you be more interested in our standard 16 hour class Introduction

to Computers using Windows 10, or would you be more interested in short targeted workshops that highlight the new areas of Windows 10 such as Microsoft edge (the new browser in Windows 10), the new Start Screen or the new personal assistant, Cortana? To answer this question, would you please complete a short two-question survey. To complete the survey click on Survey below, complete the questionnaire and click on Submit.

[Survey](#)

Should I Upgrade to Windows 10



Windows 10 has arrived, but should you install it? There are plenty of reasons to embrace Windows 10, not least the fact that it is a free upgrade to users of Windows 7 and 8.1. The free update offer lasts for a year. With many new features, and various system improvements upgrading is a no-brainer for most people. One of the first questions that is often asked when it comes to upgrading a system is how easily can you go back to your old one if you don't like it. The answer with Windows 10 is that it's very easy. Microsoft has built in a simple process that only requires a few clicks that you can use anytime within the first 30 days to restore your original operating system back to the way it was before the upgrade. I upgraded to Windows 10 as soon as it was available and haven't been sorry. If you upgrade from

Windows 8, you should not have any problems finding your way around. If you upgrade from Windows 7, the learning curve is a little steeper. My personal recommendation is that if you have not upgraded to Windows 10, do it now!

Besides the no cost upgrade, these other new features may convince you to try out the new Windows 10:

1. Cortana - Your Personal Assistant will help you use your PC more efficiently (more about Cortana below).
2. Microsoft Edge - the new Internet Browser that may eventually replace Internet Explorer - Its quicker and more secure.
3. Cross Platform apps - The ability to run the same modern apps not just on your desktop computer but also on tablets and smartphones running windows 10.
4. Refreshed Start Menu - Many people complained about the drastic change in the start menu with Windows 8. Microsoft has returned the windows 10 start menu to a familiar structure similar to the way it existed on windows 7.
5. Windows 10 is better optimized to run on your older PC than the previous windows 7 or windows 8 operating systems.
6. Flexibility - You can use windows 10 with a touch screen if you want.

What is Cortana?

Cortana is your clever new personal assistant. Cortana will help you find things on your PC, manage your calendar, track packages, find files, chat with you, and tell jokes. The more you use Cortana, the more personalized your experience will be. To get started, type a question in the search box on the taskbar. Or select the microphone icon and talk to Cortana. (Typing works for all types of PCs, but you need a microphone to talk.)

Here are some things you can say to Cortana:

- How old are you?
- Tell me a joke.
- Show me the latest NBA scores.
- How many calories in a boiled egg?
- Put swimming on my calendar for tomorrow.
- Change my 3 PM event to 4.
- What's happening this weekend?

Set a Reminder

One of the things Cortana can do for you is to give you reminders. For example, type or say, "Remind me to call Alex at 2 PM." Make the meeting recurring if you want to. The reminder will appear at 2 PM, along with any info you've added to it.

Hey Cortana!

Set Cortana to hear you anytime you say "Hey Cortana." Select the search box on the taskbar to open Cortana home. Then select Notebook > Settings, and turn on Let Cortana respond when you say "Hey Cortana."



What is cCleaner*

Arguably the world's most popular tool for doing the job of cleaning out junk files from your computer, cCleaner clears out temporary files, cleans the Windows Registry, erases browser histories, scans for cookies you want to keep, empties your recycle bin, and can be used to delete unwanted programs, edit which programs run at startup, and much more. Best of all it's FREE...No gimmicks, just free, and you can download cCleaner directly from the developer, Piriform (www.piriform.com/ccleaner).

Depending on how you use your computer; spending time on the internet searching or playing games, adding and moving files and folders, etc. then at least once a week click the shortcut on your desktop to launch the program. Click Run Cleaner and cCleaner will check and display the files deleted. If you prefer to view those files prior to them being deleted, click Analyze. If you are a 'casual' user of your computer and the internet, run this program monthly.

*The above information was taken from "How to Maintain your Computer" authored by Hank Clemente, SeniorNet's Director of Curriculum Development.

UAMS Senior Expo

The UAMS Senior Expo held on Saturday, October 17, 2015, in the Statehouse Convention Center in downtown Little Rock, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. was a great success for Little Rock SeniorNet. Several hundred individuals came by the SeniorNet booth and one hundred individuals signed up for the drawings for four free SeniorNet computer courses.





**"Three things are certain:
Death, taxes and lost data."**

Guess which has occurred."

-Davie Dixon (1998)

What Operating System is your Computer Using?

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