

BOWIE SENIORS COMPUTER CLUB

Meeting Minutes for March 3, 2016

Carl Bulger called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm introducing guest speakers Gilda Yang and Amy Ramdin of the Montgomery Mall Microsoft Store.

The speakers gave a presentation on upgrading to Windows 10, how to use its features, and on the many services the Microsoft Store provides. A copy of the Microsoft Store flyer is attached.

The meeting included an extended discussion of Windows Defender and various other anti-malware applications. The speakers are of the opinion that Windows Defender provides adequate malware protection eliminating the need for other paid and free anti-malware applications.

The speakers provided a discussion of new and useful features of Windows Edge browser which should induce computer users to stick with Edge in lieu of installing other browsers such as Firefox.

There was a detailed discussion of the differences between a Windows 10 “clean install” and a simple upgrade installation.

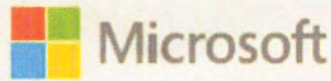




FREE MICROSOFT RETAIL STORE WORKSHOPS

Microsoft Store at Westfield Montgomery
[Microsoftstore.com/MontgomeryMall](https://microsoftstore.com/MontgomeryMall)

Questions? Please contact the Community Development Specialist,
Gilda at giyang@microsoft.com



Educators

- Office 365 Activation and Student Productivity
- Building a Collaborative Classroom and Increase Productivity using OneNote
- Blended Learning with Office 365
- Windows: Wow, it can do that in my classroom?!?!
- 10 FREE Microsoft Tools to Energize our Classroom
- Flip Your Classroom with Office Mix
- Making Global Connections with Skype in the Classroom
- Office 2016 Fundamentals (Six workshop series, can be taken individually)

Student (K-8)

- YouthSpark Camps:
 - Minecraft Hour of Code
 - Learn Code with Jetpack Jumper (Beginner)
 - Dream It Make It (Beginner Ages 8-11)
 - Dream It Make It (Intermediate Ages 12+)

Student (High School & College)

- YouthSpark Camps:
 - Learn Code with Jetpack Jumper (Intermediate)
 - Dream It Make It (Intermediate Ages 12+)
- Office 2016 Fundamentals (Six workshop series to be completed individually or as a series)
 - Word, Excel, OneNote, PowerPoint, Outlook, Office 365
- Jump Start your Job Search (Six workshop series to be completed consecutively as a series)
- Build An App in an Hour

YouthSpark Field Trips to the Microsoft Store

Microsoft YouthSpark field trips are designed to give students the chance to explore technology, develop skills, and discover new interests – all at no cost to caregivers. We have a wide variety of training topics to choose from, whether your students are interested in making applications, movies, designing presentations, using Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, OneNote, etc.) or Windows 10.

YouthSpark Camps

Workshops for kids ages 8 to 18 years

Our exciting new lineup of YouthSpark Camps get kids of all ages coding, creating games and apps, and having a blast in the process. Camps are designed for beginners or intermediates to enhance their knowledge of the latest technology, build critical-thinking and problem-solving ability, and teach them valuable coding skills.

The parent, legal guardian or authorized adult caregiver of every camp participant must remain in the Microsoft store for the duration of the event.

Learn to Code with Jetpack Jumper (Ages 8+)

Join us for this free, 90-minute workshop and go behind the scenes to learn how to code, program, and play in your own gaming world. You'll use kid-friendly programming to learn how creativity and problem solving come together to make something all your own. Curriculum designed for ages 8 and older.



Dream it Make It Series

Beginner Ages 8-11

Intermediate Ages 12+

Dream It, Make It is a four-part camp series lasting two hours per camp, for kids to ignite their imagination and creativity as they code their own games. Campers must attend the camps consecutively. The prerequisite for attending this camp is the YouthSpark Camp: Learn to Code with Jetpack Jumper.

Kids at every skill level will use the same tools as gaming industry pros, and they'll:

- Get feedback from other players to improve their game
- Learn about professional opportunities in the game industry
- Discover the kinds of skills and experience the game industry is looking for

This camp series is a perfect opportunity to give your kid an engaging, hands-on introduction to coding and computer programming. **Each participant is required to bring a pair of headphones to camp.**

Minecraft Hour of Code (Ages 8+)

Join us for this free, 90-minute camp to explore a Minecraft world through code and to take part in the global Hour of Code movement. Use blocks of code to take Steve or Alex on an adventure through a Minecraft world. You'll use kid-friendly programming to learn how creativity and problem solving come together to make something all your own.

Build an App in an Hour

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Smart Game Coding

Code. Create. Play.

Recommended for 8-10 years

4 day camp, 2 hours a day

Websites and applications come from code, but where does code come from? In this camp for "Junior Designers", you'll use the kid-friendly visual programming language Kodu to learn about how creativity, problem solving, storytelling, and programming come together to make something all your own. We'll then introduce you to TouchDevelop, a mobile app creation platform with a touch-based editor that makes coding from your phone or tablet lots of fun.

Smart Game Designing

Design. Develop. Compete.

Recommended for 11-13 years

4 day camp, 2 hours a day

Want to play a game that doesn't exist yet? You could simply make it yourself. In this "Designers" camp, go behind the screens with TouchDevelop and ProjectSpark to learn how to build and publish amazing mobile games. As a "game maker" game, ProjectSpark will allow you to make your own virtual world and bring it to life so you can create games, movies, and unique digital experiences. With TouchDevelop, you'll remix, share and play amazing new games, all right on your phone.

Smart Movie Making

Shoot. Edit. Watch.

Recommended for 8-13 years

4 day camp, 2 hours a day



Capture all the action without the lights or fancy camera. Unleash your imagination and start making real movies right from your phone or tablet. Using Windows Phone and Surface Pro, we'll teach you how produce, direct, design and animate your own flicks, any time you want. Get ready to impress and share your masterpieces with your family and friends!

Smart Photo Taking

Point. Snap. Perfect.

Recommended for 8-13 years

4 day camp, 2 hours a day

Why do some photos just pop? Learn new tricks for taking great photos from your phone. We'll teach you how to edit photos, adjust lighting and colors, and even apply filters for more effects. Beyond basic images, we'll help you build interactive worlds in Photosynth, make yourself into art with Photo Fuse, and create huge panoramas with GigapixelArtZoom.

About Our Partners

Want to try out more coding and game design activities on your own? Check out what our partners have to offer you.



Kodu Game Lab

Kodu is a visual programming language made specifically for creating games. It is designed to be accessible for children and enjoyable for anyone. Become a part of the game lab community, and obtain your free gaming and coding software at www.kodugamelab.com/. You can also find out more at these sites:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Koduteam>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/koduteam>



Microsoft Imagine

Microsoft Imagine connects aspiring student developers of all skill levels with the tools, resources, & experiences they need to turn their innovative ideas into reality. Be sure to check out more at-home coding activities at the Imagine website, located here: <http://imagine.microsoft.com>. You can also sign up for the Imagine newsletter at <https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/imagineregister> as well as these great social sites:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MSFTImagine>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/MSFTImagine>
- Instagram: <https://instagram.com/msftimagine>



Project Spark

Project Spark is a powerful, yet simple way to build and play your own worlds, stories and games. You can download it for free for either Windows 8.1+ or also Xbox One at <http://welcome.projectspark.com/>. Check out Project Spark also on these sites:

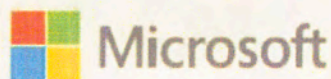
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/joinprojectspark>
- Twitter: https://twitter.com/proj_spark



TouchDevelop

TouchDevelop allows you to create apps everywhere for all your devices. Go to www.touchdevelop.com/ to access various free downloads, as well as fun games and tutorials. TouchDevelop information is also available at:

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/TouchDevelop>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/TouchDevelop>



Scout Troop Workshops

Length

2-3 Hours (depending on content & presenter)

Technology Used

Windows 10, PC or Tablet

Cub Scouts

Computer Belt Loop

Your scout will learn parts of a computer, how to properly shut down a computer and to prepare a document and print on his own.

Photography Belt Loop

Your scout will learn functions of a camera, discuss Film vs. Digital, learn to take his own photos and share with others.

Video Game Belt Loop

Your scout will learn about the video game rating system, create a gaming schedule to include gaming, homework, chores, and family time, learn a new video game and discuss his favorite game and why.

Boy Scouts

Computer Merit Badge

Topics covered to fulfill badge: Online safety, history of the computer, uses for the computer, five major parts of a computer, memory and storage, file compression, chip-based devices, software applications, programming languages, software packages and uses, viruses and protection, Internet, copyright laws, music downloading and file sharing. The scouts will also participate in hands-on projects utilizing Office during every workshop. Projects include creating a patrol outing food budget, designing a campsite plan, writing a letter inviting guests to a court of honor and many others.

Girl Scouts

Brownies: Computer Expert Badge

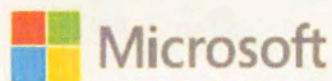
Your scout will learn how to paint a digital picture, participate in an Internet research project, letter writing and learn a new Internet game!

Juniors: Digital Photographer Badge

Your scout will learn the parts of a camera, photography tip and tricks, photo editing and how to create a collage and photo album!

Juniors: Netiquette Badge

Your scout will learn basic skills and techniques for online communication and hands-on practice to cultivate effective written communication.



Fundamentals Workshops

Length

1 Hour

Technology Used

Windows 10, PC or Tablet

Getting to Know Windows 10

Achieve more with Windows 10 by joining our 60-minute workshop to learn everything Windows 10 has to offer for everyday use, whether it's for work or play, home or office. You'll learn how to get the most out of new features, how to personalize your Windows experience, work and play across all your devices, and get more done faster with new productivity capabilities. Aspects of Windows 10 covered in the workshop include: Navigation, Start, Windows Explorer, Menus, Accessing Applications, Security Features and Synchronization across Devices.

Jump Start Your Job Search (Six workshop series to be taken consecutively)

The Jump Start Your Job Search Workshop Series features 6 application based workshops showcasing the new 2016 features as well as teaching the fundamentals so that participants receive hands on experience highly relevant to their job preparedness. The series covers the following workshops:

1. Build Your Resume in Word
2. Manage a Budget in Excel
3. Managing Emails & Meetings in Outlook
4. Create an Effective Presentation in PowerPoint
5. To Do Lists and Meeting Notes in OneNote
6. On the Move with Office 365

Surface Book

Join us for a free 60-minute workshop on the fantastic features of our new Surface Book. It's got the full punch of a high performance laptop with unprecedented versatility of a tablet to adapt to the way you work - with touch, a Surface Pen, or a mouse. In this workshop you will learn about these exciting features:

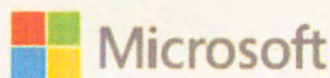
- How to use Surface Book as the ultimate in versatility, as both a laptop and a tablet
- How to make easy use of Windows 10 Pro and all of the software loaded onto your device
- Using Surface Pen with different tips to draw, erase and share in Microsoft Edge and OneNote
- Meet your newest digital assistant: Cortana
- Why two built-in cameras are better than one
- Set up and use of Windows Hello and facial recognition to secure your Surface Book with confidence
- And more! Come and check out the most productive device on the planet.

Surface Pro 4

This Surface Pro 4 Workshop is designed for anyone who is interested in or has purchased a Surface Pro 4. This workshop will showcase all the great hardware and unique app features of Surface Pro 4 and will walk participants through the hardware inside and out. The workshop will also feature interaction with Cortana, Windows Hello and Continuum and the unique experience, personalized options and accessories available on a Surface Pro 4.

PC Tune Up in a Snap

Is your computer not running as fast as it used to? Do you have a ton of files sitting on your hard drive? Are you worried that you might have a virus? Do you want to learn more about getting your computer running the way it should? In this 60 minute workshop, we'll walk you through easy-to-learn maintenance techniques and storage opportunities in the cloud. At the end of the session, you'll know all about the



Performance Troubleshooter, Windows and Office Update and Disc Defragmenter. You'll know how to remove viruses and spyware, and back-up files on your computer with OneDrive.

Avoiding Digital Fraud and Scams

Join us for a free workshop to learn how to protect your digital information when online, and important tips and tricks on avoiding digital fraud and scams. In this comprehensive, yet easy to understand workshop, you'll learn how to identify, troubleshoot and report the frauds and scams lurking in all of the digital outlets and communications you use. Learn how to avoid the pitfalls of: False web ads, emails, junk and spam, financial scams, video and messaging scams.

Office Workshops

Length

1 Hour

Technology Used

Excel, OneNote, Office 365, PowerPoint, Outlook, Word

Office 2016 Fundamentals (Six workshop series, can be taken individually or consecutively)

The Fundamentals of Office 2016 workshop series showcases the best of the new features from Office 2016 whilst also teaching participants the key fundamentals of each application through hands on tutorial exercises. The series includes workshops for:

1. **Word**
2. **Excel**
3. **Outlook**
4. **PowerPoint**
5. **OneNote**
6. **Office 365**

What's New with Office 2016

Join us for a free, one-hour workshop filled with tips and demos about everything that is new with Office so you can do your best work—anywhere, anytime. You will learn about: Modern desktop applications, built so you can do great work with smart tools that help you stay on task. Easy access to your files in the cloud so you can create, edit and view your work from anywhere. Built-in collaboration tools to share and co-author documents, spreadsheets, presentations and notes. New features across Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook and OneNote Plus, learn about what's available with Office Mobile and how that differs from Office: Home, Business, Student or the subscription-based Office 365.

Office 365

Office 365: Fundamentals of the New Office

Find out how the new Office can make your life easier. Once you've purchased your subscription, we'll walk you through all the new tools and features. Whether you use the new Office for school or work, we'll show you how to be more productive and collaborate more efficiently than ever before.



Business Workshops

Length

1 Hour

Technology Used

Bing, Windows 10, Windows Phone, Office 365

Getting to Know Windows 10 for Small Business

Windows 10 is designed for today's business world. Upgrade your business practices and boost productivity at our free 60-minute workshop, where we'll show you how Windows 10 can help you get mobile, work seamlessly on and off the cloud, keep your data secure, and much more. We'll show you how Windows 10 can help you communicate and collaborate with your team with cloud services and Windows Store apps. You'll also learn how to run your apps on-site, in the cloud, or both, on the devices that best suit your business. Get started with Windows 10, and register today.

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What's New with Office 2016: Business Edition

Join us for a free, one-hour workshop, geared to the small business owner, to learn about the new features of Office to build a collaborative, efficient and productive workforce. You will learn: Excel tools to help you get more of your data, faster and easier. How to access your documents in the cloud whenever you need them. Team collaboration tools included across the Office suite. New security, compliance, and deployment features giving organizations more control over sensitive data. New features across Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, and OneNote Office helps you do your best work—anytime, anywhere and with anyone.

Microsoft Power BI – Bringing Your Data to Life

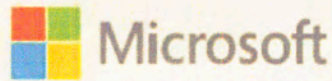
This workshop shows business owners how they can leverage their existing or planned data sources to easily and effectively gain deeper business and customer insights through data visualization and Office 365. Complete with a video accompaniment, a demo and with visuals throughout, this is an exciting workshop for small businesses interested in learning more about how they can bring their business data to life.

Bing Ads + Office 365 – A Smarter Approach to Search Engine Marketing

In this interactive and hands-on workshop, participants will learn how Bing Ads can give businesses major exposure with their own free online advertisement. Participants will also learn how Office 365 improves productivity and helps businesses manage online campaigns; along with learning how to claim their free business listing and update it during the workshop.

Collaboration & Productivity with Office 365, Office Graph & Office Delve for Small Business

With Collaboration and Productivity with Office 365, Office Graph and Office Delve, small business owners and Office 365 users will be introduced to the collaborative power and inherent intelligence that Office 365 represents for small-businesses. A multi-media and interactive experience, through videos, visuals and demos participants will receive a step-by-step showing how Office Delve works in real-life.



Health & Fitness Workshops

Length	20 Minutes
Technology Used	Microsoft Health app, Microsoft Band 2

Get to Know Microsoft Band 2

Join us for a free, 20-minute workshop to learn about the new Microsoft Band 2. Microsoft Band 2 helps you live healthier by tracking your heart rate, exercise, calorie burn, and sleep quality, and helps you achieve more with email, text, and calendar alerts at a glance. Advanced sensors track data specific to running, biking, and golfing. Technology from Microsoft Health gives you actionable insights based on your data. Works with Windows Phone, Android™, and iPhone®. In this workshop you will learn how to: Sync your band with your phone for to get email, text, calendar, and call alerts on the go. Use the heart rate monitor to track calorie burn and sleep quality. Get actionable insights from Microsoft Health. Track on the go for running, biking, golf, and more. Use the eleven sensors, including GPS, UV, and barometer.

Personal Training

Train with experts one-on-one. And become one yourself. Take your skills to the next level with our [Personal Training courses](#). Visit your local store to purchase a session.

Choose a topic that interests you with our Microsoft Associates at your local store. We have single hour-long classes that offer maximum flexibility and a year-long membership for a variety of courses to buy and redeem in stores.