Lunch and Learn Seminar
Your PC is "not" eWaste… Use Linux!

Microsoft has discontinued all security and feature updates to Windows 10! While we all use computers, whether it's frequently or just periodically; it is very risky to use these computers "unprotected" from new viruses and malware.

What to do about it?
This **Lunch & Learn** will focus on an alternative to Windows, using your existing computer hardware. No eWaste here! The alternative is **Linux** – a "free" secure alternative to Windows – that receives continuous updates.

What do I need to know?
If you do purchase a new PC, your options are to recycle the old one or worse yet, throw it away So **keep your existing PC** and install **Linux** on it.

Keep your current PC investment – things to think about!
- Linux should work with everything on your local network.
- Apps on Linux are somewhat comparable to your familiar Windows apps.
- Apps on Linux are "open sourced" – freedom from a corporate structure.
- You do need to spend time learning how your new apps work with Linux.
- Remember: Linux is not Windows – it's different but familiar.
- Interested? Contact the Makerspace and express your interest in Linux.

Want help with installing Linux?
Yes—right here in Missoula. The Library's **Makerspace** and the **Linux User Group** offer a **Linux Install Support** program. Here's the website for a full description of the installation process and your next step:
https://sites.google.com/view/linuxinstall

Continuous support and learning!
- Search for numerous **YouTube** tutorials.
- Use the information found at the **Linux Install Support** site. ▄ At the Library, there are monthly meetings of the **Linux User Group**. Go to the Library's website, search for the word **Linux**. Then select the *Linux User Group* link for room location and times. https://www.missoulapubliclibrary.org/