

Events for 2010

Your Board is planning events for 2010 and welcomes your input at info@deconnection.org.

1. We have a small group interested in the **DECconnection Northern Italy Trip** announced last month. Deadline for sign-up is 20th February and space is limited. **Call 1-800- 438-7672**; Reference Tour Number, **62053162** or Coordinator's Name, Nancy Kilty. We will meet some DEC Italy friends for dinner as part of this program. [Click here to learn more.](#)



2. We are planning a social event at a Lowell Spinners baseball game with a Gator Pit barbeque dinner before the game. Tentative date is Saturday July 10th, 3:30 PM BBQ, 5 PM baseball game. Parking is easy and there are no traffic hassles getting to this entertaining game and great stadium. Bring your kids/grandkids for a great afternoon with DECconnection friends. If you're interested send an Email to info@DECconnection.org with your name and probable # of tickets, and we will get back to you with details and pricing when date is firm.



3. We are looking at additional topics and looking for speakers for additional **Member Helping Member Concalls** this year. One suggestion is various aspects of the transition to Retirement... financial, social, volunteer, etc. We will also look for another career-related topic. Please email info@deconnection.org to suggest other topics or volunteer to speak. Concalls are generally 60-90 minutes including time for Q&A and discussion, but can be shorter to suit speaker's schedule.



4. **FLORIDA CHAPTER:** Announcing a Southeast Florida get-together - all welcome - this will be held at The Beach Place, 17 S. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Boulevard, in Ft. Lauderdale, on Sat. Feb 20 from 4-6 PM. RSVP to Ava at webmaster@deconnection.org if you plan to join us (so that we can apprise you of date/location changes).



We also want to remind members that it's time to renew your DECconnection membership for 2010.

We have sent our email reminders to let you know whether you are paid up already, or that your renewals are due in January. Thanks for continuing to support us! If you haven't joined, you can do so now at www.deconnection.org/join.htm

Welcome to our New Board Member, Sy Sackler- Sy was Digital's Labor and Employment Attorney for 23 years, counseling senior management and personnel. He retired after the Compaq merger but did consulting until H-P acquired Compac. Sy now does consulting work and teaches a course at Framingham State college. In his spare time, he volunteers for projects run by the counselers on aging and the AARP program Money Management. Great to have you on Board, Sy!

Board Members are: Nancy Kilty, President; Jack Mileski, VP; Bob Moore, Treasurer; Joan Ross, Secretary; Marilyn Goodrich, Director; Sy Sackler, Director; Ava Schutzman, Webmaster.

Update on DEC Retirement survey from Bob Moore: Thank you to all of you who have sent email to jayhawkbob between 11/24 and 1/10. Bob has a brief spreadsheet from 65 of you and 8 of 25 who have responded to a paper mailing. I have exchanged email with most of you and have received some interesting comments about retiring from DEC before 1996. In fact one of you said – “you haven't retired yet” - and for all of you I now know who badge number 26 is and also badge number 149477. Someone suggested that 3500 of us took SERP in 1992 so actually we only know a very small percentage of these folks. Any additional information I hear regarding those of us who retired before 1996 I will send via email to everyone on my list.

Charitable Concern: The DEC Connection would like to donate a small amount of its funds to help Haitian victims of the earthquake if we can find someone with a direct connection to Haiti that can deliver the aid to a group we all agree to. If there are any of our members who are in a position to do so, please send an Email to: info@DECconnection.org

DECconnection Newsbytes - Members please send news you'd like to share to: webmaster@deconnection.org.



- **Steve Webber** writes: I am a 3 year employee at Raytheon in Woburn, MA. I work as an Information Systems Security Officer responsible for Security of Information etc for my Raytheon business area. Since leaving Digital/CPQ/HPQ about 6 years ago I worked part time as a Mail Delivery person, a supervisor in a local ice cream/golf/etc place, and also did a little sub contracting for a computer repair business.
- **Lou Greer:** Recently remarried (9/22/08), Dee and I are living in retirement between our homes in Greenville, SC and Natchez, MS. In February we're hoping to establish a small DECconnection group in the SC Upstate. We would welcome a visit from any DEC alumni. We have a Red Sox-affiliated baseball team that plays on a field with the dimensions of Fenway ... including the Green Monster.
- **Georgio Corsi:** I moved from Geneva to Vienna in March last year, I continue with my Human Resources consulting activity.
- **Royce Fuller:** I have been retired from Fleet Bank (now Bank of America) for 5 years and enjoying semi-retirement. I say semi-retirement because my wife and I own 12 apartments in 3 buildings in Acton and Maynard and they give me plenty to do. We do like to travel and I play golf about twice a week, weather- and work-permitting.
- **Karen Hamilton:** Still living in Clinton; still working 3 days a week at Massachusetts Youth Soccer Assoc as the CORI admin. A member of Eastern Star in Maynard; of Clinton Fish & Game; and clerk this year of the Clinton Historical Commission. Do the publicity for the Lancaster Garden Club of which I'm a member. Cancer-free 5 years this past October. New titanium hip set off the metal detectors to and from my recent vacation-- a Caribbean cruise.
- **Richard Mollin** is President of Sentinel Advisory Services, LLC a Registered Investment Advisor. This service focuses on helping people protect their 401K, IRA and other investment portfolios during the early stages of a market decline. When market conditions are favorable, relative strength comparisons are used select equities that are leading the market up. He recently started a blog at <http://www.sentineladvisoryservices.blogspot.com>

- **Greg Hoffman:** Appreciate the work that you guys are doing to keep the DEC connection alive and well. I'm currently working with a high tech mapping company headquartered in Denver, CO as the lead HR guy. Having fun and looking forward to a successful 2010.
- **Jerry Bernath:** Hello from Jerry Bernath s/v (sailing/vessel) BiBi (my boat's name) and currently getting ready to sail to the Bahamas where I will cruise around until the end of April.
- **Bob Glorioso:** I am mostly retired but enjoy consulting for entrepreneurs and sit on the Boards of Boston Green Goods that has several e-tailing websites, including Allergybuyersclub.com and greenandmore.com, Boston Logic that creates websites and does on-line marketing for the Real Estate industry, and B'aires, a wholesale distributor of fashion accessories from South America, welcometobaires.com.
- **Bob Figuerido:** Retired from HP in 2002 after 22 years with Digital and Compaq working in Real Estate Construction. Worked in Boston for Jacobs Engineering until July 2008. Presently working 3 days a week at Shepherd Engineering in Worcester. Registered Professional Engineer in 11 states and presently a Board Member on the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.
- More NewsBytes are in the queue for next month!

Membership Updates - welcome to our new and renewing members in January:

Renewing Members: Paul Anderson, Fred Balfour, Chris Battista, Mary Bellegarde, Linda Bentley, Diane Carr, Jose Chevere, Pauline Church, Sandra Cooper, Robert Dandrade, Karen Dorhamer-Fadden, Earl Faneuf, Barbara Gavin, Colleen Goleman, Marilyn Goodrich, Steve Hargrave, Diana Harotian, Nancy Kilty, V. Bradford Lawson, Peg Masjoan, Vicki Meagher, Jack McCord, Tom McIntyre, Frank Mercurio, Anita Moeder, Dick Nixon, Marilyn Perry, David Polewarczyk, Vickie Prescott, Tom Pulsifer, Barbara Reichert, Bill Seaver, Ellen Simarano, Susan Sparks, Joe Supple, Tom Stambaugh, Paul Szemplinski, Bob Trocchi, Phil Viscomi, Dave Wells, and Tom Wolklin.

New Members: Bill Baker, John Bennett, Lisa Brown, Ann Coney, Chandra Farnsworth, Rich Guidi, Roger Harris, Elaine Jackson, Helen Von Gunden, and Steve Webber.

Welcome to all - we hope to see and hear you at our events this year.

Website Updates

- Updated Board Officers and Directors on [Contact Us](#) page of our website.
- We added several members to our Member Business Directory this month. Be sure to take advantage of this benefit!
www.deconnection.org/MemberBusinesses.htm Paid-up members can just send your info to webmaster@deconnection.org.
- If you are a member you are entitled to join our Linked In DEConnection Group (no additional charge). Request from within LinkedIn to be added or email webmaster.
- We are working to improve the user-friendliness of our website. First to appear will be a Google site search bar. Stay tuned for more.

