

July 2014 News-at-a-Glance



EVENTS

Upcoming

- Nashua NH events:** (All ex-DECcies and guests are welcome - need not be NH resident)
 - Thursday July 31 - 7-9 PM:** We'll stake out a spot at the Summer Concert on the Plaza, at the Nashua Public Library on Court Street, featuring the band Tattoo, who "performs American roots music: rock, soul, swing, and Cajun. Whether the songs are originals or come from the likes of Louis Armstrong, Bob Marley, Elvis and the Beatles, the group's acoustic jam band style will get you dancing on the plaza." Look for Ava, Lin and maybe the DEC Connection banner. Bring a folding chair and/or blanket and insect repellent. If it rains, concert will be held indoors in Library's Art/Music /Media wing.
 - Friday Sept 5 - 4:30 - 7+ PM:** Free wine-tasting at the Cava de Vino retail store, which is in the Portland Pie building at 14B Canal Street, Nashua. Afterwards head next door for pizza with the group. We requested that the winemaker be in attendance; we'll need a minimum commit of 8-10 to secure that, so email ava@deconnection.org so we have a count.
- Review of Summer '14 Member BBQ:** Another great time was had by all. [Click here for more photos and a wrap-up](#) - guess what special gift Marcia Russell presented to Rod Sutherland?



This year's BBQ at Barrie & Anne's house:
Host Barrie Hunter welcomes DEC Connection member Ande Wertheim as she arrives by boat, surrounded by enthusiastic guest kayakers.

DEC Connection Member News

Welcome to our New and Renewing Members:

Pam Berg, Rick Brimer, Jim DeZutter, Carol Ehrlich, Fred Isbell, Walter Kasell, Dave Lewis, Maria Navedo, Mark O'Hearne, Carol Phillips, Tom Pulsifer, Steven Taylor, Alice Stapelfeld, Judy Sullivan

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Membership Renewal Procedure:

Best method to renew: Click this link to see if your membership is current in our [Member Service Center](#) and pay online with a credit card. If you have paid dues since 2010 you will be there - use the email address we have on file for you - no leading or trailing spaces and it should work - email webmaster@deconnection.org for help.

- You can also join us (or renew) at www.deconnection.org/join.htm
- You can also send a check to The DEC Connection, c/o Bob Moore, 28 Fernglade Rd., Burlington MA 01803. \$10 for 1 year, \$25 for 3 years.

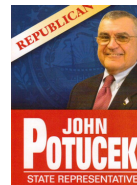
- If you prefer to use your PayPal account directly (not via our website), use our payment address: registrations@deconnection.org - please do NOT use any of the Board members' personal email addresses.

Staying on our email list: Our newsletter contact manager disables emails if the recipient mail server sends a rejection notice. If in the future you don't receive News-at-a-Glance, or if you change your email address, re-register for our free e-news at <http://www.deconnection.org/mail.htm>

DEC Connection Member NewsBytes: send yours to:

webmaster@deconnection.org [See our new NewsByte archive page.](#)

- **John Potucek** writes: I'm running for NH State Representative from Derry. I don't know how many ex-Deccies are or were involved in politics, but it might be an interesting factoid to find out. If there are any ex-Deccies in the Derry area, I would appreciate their vote and support in the September Primary and the November General Elections. Thanks, John Potucek, Deccie 1980-1995, #119648, potucek1@comcast.net [Click here to see John's summary statement.](#)



SOAR'55 volunteer opportunities:

You can chill out this summer by planning to volunteer this fall! While you have the time, check out these new opportunities to share your skills and experience, meet new people, and feel good all at the same time! SOAR 55 provides a personalized and professional volunteer search for adults age 55 and over. Part of the Corporation for National & Community Service RSVP volunteer programs, SOAR 55 places volunteers in positions in Newton and Metro West.

For more information please contact Jan Latorre-Stiller, SOAR 55 Senior Director, at jlatorre-stiller@ncscweb.org or 617-969-5906 x120.

Visit our [website](#) for a complete list of volunteer positions.

And, please spread the word to your personal and professional networks by forwarding this! Thank you.



Sad News Department

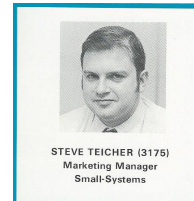
The Digital community, and the computer industry at large, is greatly saddened by the loss of Engineering star Steve Teicher, 70, of Titusville FL, on July 5th following a long bout with Parkinson's Disease. Steve was instrumental in the creation of the PDP-12, PDP-11 and PDP-11/05, and LSI-11 and MicroVAX at Digital and went on to lead efforts at Kubota, Apple, and other companies before retiring to a lecturing career at UCF in Orlando. Our condolences go out to wife Del Thorndike, also Digital, and their family and friends. We have posted several email memorials from ex-DECcies at link below - to add yours email webmaster@deconnection.org.

Sadly, we also lost Manufacturing executive Kevin C. Melia, 67, Acton MA, in July, and Boston District Sales Manager Lou Leggero, 70, Franklin MA, in June. Sincere condolences to their family and friends.

[Details are on our Memorials Page](#)



Steve Teicher at UCF



Steve Teicher TOEM, 1979



Kevin Melia

Website Updates

- Know someone who is leaving HP? Please pass the word to anyone leaving HP to use the HP Alumni Association's "ASAP Checklist" immediately. It has advice and mutual help -- developed by HPAA members -- on the many things you have to do before you lose access to HP's internal systems. Thanks to Curt Gowan for this posting. Go to <http://www.hpalumni.org/asap> (HPAA membership not required.)
- Thanks to Curt Gowan, HPAA, [for this link to important information](#) on "**Maximizing your Social Security benefits**" from the 5/7/15 HPAA webinar.
- The PBS video of the documentary about Ken and the history of DEC, Digital_Man/Digital_World, is available online (\$25+s/h) from the PBS store: <http://www.shoppbs.org/product/index.jsp?productId=13315614> It's a wonderful hour-long nostalgia trip. Enjoy! For those who prefer to watch on their computers, the free version is: <http://video.wfyi.org/video/2282149336/>
- Use your **MEMBER SERVICE CENTER!** Use the gold Member Login button if you have paid dues since 2010. There are queries to find members in your area, and forms to submit to update your profile, send your news, DEC stories, and business listings for our public online yellow pages. You can check your dues status and renew your membership online. You can email a small photo for your profile, access or request membership in our LinkedIn Group, and send info for articles such as Featured Entrepreneur.
- [DEC Stories](#) submitted by our members and readers - We always collect your unusual, humorous or just favorite DEC stories. Email them to webmaster@deconnection.org. [Click on this link](#) to enjoy.
- Featured Member Entrepreneur - Email webmaster with details - 2-3 paragraphs about your business and your photo.
- If you are a member you are entitled to join our Linked In DECconnection Group. Request from within LinkedIn to be added or [email webmaster](#).



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