

## May 2013 News-at-a-Glance



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Change of date for the Marlboro Area Summer BBQ and Picnic to Sat 15 June 2013, from 3 - 8 PM**
  - We hope many more of you can make the new rescheduled date, please sign up now!
  - [Click here for information and to make reservations.](#)
  - **DEC Connection Board Member Barrie Hunter and his wife Anne are hosting a summer BBQ and Picnic at their home in Marlboro. Outdoor games, nice conversations, delicious food, and fun!**
  - **Cost is only \$5 for a member alone or with one guest.**
- **New SW Florida Chapter - 1st Meeting! Sun 23 June 2013 from 3-6 PM** at a location to be named in **Naples FL**. All DECcies welcome.
  - Organized by Sally Hering, contact [sahering@msn.com](mailto:sahering@msn.com)
  - [Click here for information](#)
- **Reunion With Your Peers** - [click here for information](#) about running your own reunion with DEC Connection support.

The Colorado Springs Reunion was as usual a smashing success with 195 people attending. Great work to the CXO group!



Marlboro site for DEC Connection Sat June 15th BBQ-Picnic

## DEC Connection Member News

Welcome **New Members**:

- Lindalee Cummings Johnson, Marge Hollis, Mary Holtorf, Dan Klein, Taryn Johnson, Ed Pont, Dale Rutschow, Ken Veseskis

and a hearty re-welcome to our **Renewing Members**:

- Bob Alessio, Anker Berg-Sonne, Vida Haririan, Robert Johnson, Douglas Koenig, Manoj Shah, Kevin Simmons

Thanks to all for your continuing support!

### **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](mailto:webmaster@deconnection.org) for help.

- You can also join us (or renew) at [www.deconnection.org/join.htm](http://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](mailto:registrations@deconnection.org) - please do NOT use any of the Board members' personal email addresses.

## DEC Connection Member NewsBytes: send yours to:

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

- From **Chris Hager Williams**: I'm retired, was HR - primarily Technical Recruiter for years – started at DEC, later Motorola, Intel, Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, couple of startups. Loved working at DEC for Arthur Franson, Roger Shaller, Harlan Chizen, other fantastic people like Plant Manager Peter Koch, in the Mill - in the days when Ken roamed ML-5 early in the morning. Now I live on my fake farm (70 acres and view, no horses here now), Downeast Maine, selling antique books on ebay (1800's-early 1900's) for fun & \$. It's a good life, good kids, good grandkids. Learned most everything I know about HR and recruiting at DEC. Great place to work! Thanks to DEC people and training, working life was good to me. [windswake@earthlink.net](mailto:windswake@earthlink.net)
- **Steve Webber** writes: Currently semi-retired. I work summers about 20 hours a week at Kimballs Ice Cream in Westford, MA. I am one of the managers working primarily at the golf driving range and pitch and putt 9 hole course. I also do other duties as requested (reminds me do all hands on DEC ;) ) I am a 2 day a week baby sitter for my 2 year old granddaughter. One of my loves! Spent a few years at Raytheon as a I.S. Security Officer with a stop security clearance that was fun. Now trying to just enjoy each day. Volunteering at church. Soon to be joined by my wife of 36 years in her retirement from 30 plus years of serving our veterans. [Webbers10@hotmail.com](mailto:Webbers10@hotmail.com)
- From **Wayne Gaskill**: I am retired and do some volunteering for the local Church here in the Tampa area. I also help a few friends with their boats and have make it a point to hit the gym every morning. Of course I have the never ending honey-do list that I enjoy. Capt. Wayne Gaskill [cwgaskill@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:cwgaskill@tampabay.rr.com)
- From **Greg Hoffman**: I work with Intermap Technologies ([www.intermap.com](http://www.intermap.com)) in their Denver, Colorado based Corporate Headquarters office as the Director of Human Resources. Our company uses location based information to create unique market point solutions that help enterprises and government agencies solve their location based information challenges. [ghoffman@intermap.com](mailto:ghoffman@intermap.com)
- From **Peter and Judy Durant**: Pete is retired, playing golf, biking and cooking for my wife Judy who works 24/7 as a successful realtor. SW Florida is a great place to retire, and we love it here. We're near

Sarasota, the cultural capital of West Florida. Would like to be closer to children (MA and CA) but... Judy writes that she is a Realtor here in Bradenton, FL which is on the Gulf coast (just north of Sarasota & south of Tampa Bay) Our office specializes in condo sales so we work with lots of 'snowbirds' hoping to escape the winter snow/ice. Lots of great bargains are still available so it's very busy and a fun job.

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- **Bill Seaver** has been enjoying traveling. In November, responding to his daughter's request for ashrams and elephants, he went Nepal and India. The trip turned out to be a great way to bond with our two adult children. January in Mexico was a great way to miss the cold weather.  
[billseaver@earthlink.net](mailto:billseaver@earthlink.net)
- From **Marty Palmieri**: I am now a retired software engineer spending time assisting my daughter and son with remodels and updates of their homes, traveling a bit (recently to Italy), golfing, gardening, duties around home and wondering how I was able to get all of my non-work related activities done when I was working. And most important, experiencing grandchildren. [marty.palmieri@gmail.com](mailto:marty.palmieri@gmail.com)
- **David H. Chen**: I am getting ready to retire from the business that I helped start in internet advertising analytics. Target date is June, then a trip to Africa and after that, we'll see. [david.h.chen@comcast.net](mailto:david.h.chen@comcast.net)
- **Carolyn Herbert**: I am retired and will move to Vermont sometime this year. I spend my time doing volunteer work with the Harvard Council on Aging and The Harvard Womens club. Enjoy oil painting on wood and canvas. Also have a small business of framing with a product of a wedding invitation and mirror. [cherbert14@verizon.net](mailto:cherbert14@verizon.net)
- **Jim Higgins** is retired in Harvard with his wife, Nadya. He is involved in volunteer activities as well as an occasional marketing consulting engagement. [higginjames@gmail.com](mailto:higginjames@gmail.com)
- From **Jim Evans**: I am currently working at Oracle in Burlington, MA as a SPARC server qualifications engineer. [n1hts@comcast.net](mailto:n1hts@comcast.net)
- From **Su Bennett**: I worked at DEC from 1977-2000 mostly at NIO-Salem, NH Manufacturing in Finance. Currently working at Polycom in Andover MA as an Inventory Control Analyst and am working with lots of old DECies, and sometimes we reminisce about the good old days !!!  
[su\\_ben142@hotmail.com](mailto:su_ben142@hotmail.com)
- **William DeSimone** writes: I am semi-retired and work part time providing marketing services on a contractual basis. [wadsystems@comcast.net](mailto:wadsystems@comcast.net)
- New DECconnection member **Chuck Conley** writes: I joined DEC in 1967 (Badge 3902); started out doing PDP-8 programming, worked in Home Office SW Support, DECUS, and IS (now it would be called *Information Technology*), mostly in OPVAX Order Processing and the NARS (Accounts Receivable) system. Fully retired in 1997, I am enjoying retirement with many interests and activities. [nepacer@aol.com](mailto:nepacer@aol.com)
- From new member **Taryn** (formerly Lee) **Johnson**: At Digital for 24 years, 1975 -1999. Worked in Maynard, PK3, PK1 & PK2, Bedford (customer training on Cosby Dr and Hudson (Semiconductor HL03-until it became Intel) I left DEC in Dec. 1999. Since then, I worked at GTE-Networking which eventually became Genuity, as a realtor in MA, and today am working at Genzyme in Framingham, MA. in the Metrology

Dept. I am hoping to make the BBQ in June to meet and re-connecting with former DEC employees. tjohnson@hentar.com

- **Linda Crawford** is our Featured Entrepreneur: I am currently a Gluten-Food Allergy-Toxin Coach specializing in working with clients nationwide who are struggling with food allergies/or toxins (in the home related to allergies) that need information, education or support through this difficult challenge in their lives. I work with clients through an online, private website, by phone or face to face, if local in Orange County, CA. I also am a Southern Cook and work with clients who need help in shopping, cooking and eating delicious, healthy, allergy-free dishes. Offer a VIP Day where I take you on a grocery shopping tour, do kitchen setup, cupboard clearing, menu planning and cooking classes in your home! My goal is to work with you to face and embrace your food allergies so they don't control your life. You control them through education and knowing what to do so you can live your best life. To Your Health!  
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## 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.)
- We added a [web page for the new Southwest Florida Chapter](#) in Naples, organized by Sally Hering.
- 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!
- **Links page:** Volunteer activities - if you have an organization you'd like to post, email [webmaster@deconnection.org](mailto:webmaster@deconnection.org)
- 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 are still collecting your unusual, humorous or just favorite DEC stories. Email them to [webmaster@deconnection.org](mailto:webmaster@deconnection.org). They should be one page or less and be entertaining to our members. [Click on this link](#) to enjoy the ones submitted so far.
- [Read about Linda Crawford, our featured Member Entrepreneur.](#)
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- [Product and Services Page](#) has videos and photos. Please submit content



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