## OUR PREMIER EVENT FOR 2010: Sat Sept 11th -TOUR OF THE MILL WITH BBQ SOCIAL REUNION

The DEC Connection is excited to host a Maynard Mill tour and BBQ for members, their guests, and any former DEC employees who might be interested in seeing what has changed or stayed the same in the Mill over the years. If you didn't get a chance to take the Mill tour when it was offered three years ago you now have the opportunity to see what you missed.

The Mill tour and BBQ will take place at the Mill (Clock Tower Place) in Maynard, MA on Saturday September 11th from 4:30 pm to 8 PM (BBQ may close earlier so plan to arrive early; serving times TBA). This will be a chance to catch up with colleagues as well as tour the Mill.

There will be an all-you-can-eat BBQ with sausage, hamburgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs, three types of salads, cookies, brownies, free soft drinks and coffee, and a cash bar with beer and wine.

If you are a DEC Connection member, and have paid your membership dues for 2010, the cost of the ticket is \$15 each for you and one guest. Ticket prices for non-paid members are \$20 each. <u>CLICK HERE to purchase your tickets now!</u>

SPONSORSHIPS & ADS: For this event, we are offering Sponsorship and Program Guide Ad opportunities for your business. <u>Click here for info</u> and online payment.

GROUP MINI-REUNIONS: So far, 2 groups are orchestrating mini-reunions at this event - GEEP, the Graduate Education Engineering Program (<u>email Vida Haririan</u>), and Management Sciences (<u>email Betsy</u> <u>Beach</u>). See notes in NewsBytes below. If your group would like to have a contact person for a mini-reunion at the party email <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u> with info for July's News update.

**Please Note**: If you want to become a member of DEC Connection the cost is \$10 for one year or \$25 for three years. <u>Click here to pay on the DEC Connection website</u>. If you do this before August 31st, your ticket cost will be \$15.

Unlike the first Mill tour, the number of people we can accommodate is significantly limited, due to recent renovations in the Cafeteria area. *We encourage you to sign up early!* The final date to sign up for this fun event is August 31st, unless the maximum number of guests is reached before then. To see some pictures of the first Mill tour, <u>click here</u>. (Scroll down to under the collage for the link.)



## Join the Codger Cup Golf Charity Event in Stow MA --August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Our sponsor, Legacy Financial Advisors, invites DEC Connection members, families, and friends to join the 4<sup>th</sup>

Annual Codger Cup Tournament on August 30<sup>th</sup>at the Wedgewood Pines Country Club in Stow, MA. Details are attached. **To register, call 1-800-427-9781**. Don't miss this event if you love to golf. The proceeds will go to a spinal injury fund in honor of Zack Weinstein of Needham, who, after being paralyzed, has overcome incredible challenges to finish college and become an actor on the new TV show *Glee*. For an inspiring story go to http://www.myfoxboston.com/dpp/entertainment/needhams-zack-weinstein-appears-on-glee-20100511

#### Member-Helping-Member Concalls

Over the Spring we held 3 concalls - Thanks to Sharon Wulf and Sara Alvarado for their advice on networking and job-finding, and to Bill Costello on helping small business sell to the US Gov't.

**WEBSITE Resources**: Recordings, notes and other resources from the calls are online for members. Contact webmaster@decconnection.org for details.

Future Calls: If you have requests for future topics or would like to offer to be a speaker please email info@decconnection.org.

# **DECconnection Newsbytes** - Members please send news you'd like to share to: <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u>.

- GEEP Reunion at the Sept. 11, 2010 Mill Cook Out: If you participated in the Graduate Engineering Education Program (GEEP) please join us at the DEC Connection Mill BBQ. This is an opportunity to be back at the Mill and reconnect with GEEP alumni. Please pass this information on to any GEEP alumni that you know. Please register for the event through DEC Connection and let <u>Vida Haririan</u>, GEEP Alumna, know that you will attend. You can also join the newly formed LinkedIn GEEP Group by contacting Vida. Hope to see you in September!
- <u>Betsy Beach</u> of the Management Sciences Group is also organizing a mini-reunion at the Mill event. Contact her if interested.
- Vijay and Gwyn Thakur proudly announce the launch of <a href="http://www.ConventionCenterPlace.com">http://www.ConventionCenterPlace.com</a>, an online portal that is helpful to event planners, exhibitors, attendees and business travelers.
- Mary Cole sent in a link to a historical page about Meditech, a







long-time DEC healthcare application reseller, with a great photo of a waterlogged but running early PDP. Also Happy July 4th.

• Send in your NewsBytes for next month! Keep 'em coming!

**Membership Updates -** welcome to our new & renewing members since last e-news in May:

- Renewing Members: Sara Alvarado and Bill Costello
- New Members: Valdeane Alusic, David Braithwaite, Jim Chafel, Rob Greenly, Ira Grollman, Stanley Kielbowicz, Gordon Shayler, Mark Sheppard, and Bob Welzel
- Welcome to all we hope to see and hear you at our events this year.

**Sad News Department:** Condolences to friends of Jacqueline Jackson, former Occupational Nurse at the Woburn facility and to friends of Elizabeth Ridder, who worked at Colorado Springs; and as of yesterday, Roy Shiderly who was a marketing manager for Ultrix in the Systems Software Base Product Marketing Group (SSGBPM) <u>Click here</u> for Memorials page.

**Big Band Department:** the DEC Big Band (OK Compaq) is the featured entertainer from 3-5 PM on July 3 at the free outdoor Independence Day/Weekend celebration in Acton MA this year! The Band has many performances during the summer... check their <u>website</u> for one near you.

## **Website Updates**

- Meet Linda Ginac, our Featured Entrepreneur, a dynamic career management expert in Austin TX. Linda is organizing a TX Chapter of DEC Connection, as well as having volunteered career advice during our first Member-Helping-Member concall.
- Lynn Lee added her Business profiles to our <u>Member Business</u> <u>Directory</u> - she is a professional Travel Agent and educational Writer. Be sure to take advantage of your Member Business Directory benefit! <u>www.decconnection.org/MemberBusinesses.htm</u> Paid-up members can just send your info to <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u>.
- Soon you will see a new user interface for our website! Many thanks to David Braithwaite who designed the great new look and feel, and is helping our webmaster implement the system.
- If you are a member you are entitled to join our Linked In DECconnection Group (no additional charge). Request from within LinkedIn to be added or <u>email webmaster</u>.

