## June 2014 News-at-a-Glance

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## **EVENTS**

#### Upcoming

• Last Chance to sign up for our Summer '14 Member BBQ!

This year's event will be held on **Saturday, July 19th from 3 PM to 8 PM**. Please sign up now!

Everyone who attended last year had a great time, with games, boat rides and of course lots of good food (click 2013 BBQ Photos to see the photos and details from last year.)

Hot Dogs and Hamburgers will be cooked on the grill at our Board Member Barrie Hunter and his wife Anne's house. We'll also have some fun tournament games (low impact) and prizes will be awarded to the winners.

The DEC Connection will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, bottled water, ice, utensils, plates, and cups. We would ask attendees to bring their favorite snacks, salad, sides, desserts, and drinks other than water (if you have time please let us know by email to barrie.hunter@earthlink.net what you will be bringing).

The cost is only \$5 per couple (husband and wife or member and invited guest) to offset the cost of the event. One attendee must be a member (click here to join or renew).

This is the final reminder to sign up. Directions will be emailed to confirmed attendees a week before the event.

## <u>Click here to purchase your ticket.</u>

Barrie and Anne's back yard is on a lake, suitable for swimming, so if you wish bring swimsuits and towels, etc.

- Go to this page on our website for details and to sign up.
  - If you have ex-Digital friends who don't know about DEC Connection, please send them these links to invite participation:
    - Free e-newsletter: www.decconnection.org/mail.htm
    - Join DECconnection: www.decconnection.org/join.htm

## **DEC Connection Member News**

#### Welcome to our New and Renewing Members:

• David Carthy, Bill Cox, Diane Doyle, Gail Hernandez, Leanne Leonard, Bruce MacFadden, Len Segal

#### **Membership Renewal Procedure:**

Best method to renew: Click this link to see if your membership is current in our <u>Member Service</u> <u>Center</u> 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@decconnection.org for help.



Last year's BBQ at Barrie & Anne's house

- You can also join us (or renew) at www.decconnection.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@decconnection.org - please do NOT use any of the Board members' personal email addresses.

**Staying on our email list:** Our newsletter contact manager removes names if the recipient mail server sends a rejection notice. If you haven't received DEC Connection's News-at-a-Glance in a while, or you changed your email address, re-register for our free e-news at: www.decconnection.org/mail.htm

**DEC Connection Member NewsBytes**: send yours to: <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u>. <u>See</u> our new NewsByte archive page.

 Newbold Noyes, who worked in the media communications group from 1982 to 1992 making documentary marketing films about how our customers used our gear, how our gear was designed & made, etc., sent in a nice email about these videos - <u>Click here to read his letter</u>. He also sent a nice story about Ken, added to the <u>DEC Stories page</u>.

## **Sad News Department**

His son Peter wrote to us that DEC Connection member **George L. MacDonald**, 90, of Chelmsford, MA, who was a proud DEC employee in the Facilities group for many years, died on 21 June.

George Hovey wrote in to report the passing of **John Lyons** from Dracut MA on 31 May. John was a systems analyst at Digital for many years.

Details are on our Memorials Page

## 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 <u>http://www.hpalumni.org/asap</u> (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: <u>http://www.shoppbs.org/product/index.jsp?productld=13315614</u> It's a wonderful hour-long nostalgia trip. Enjoy! For those who prefer to watch on their computers, the free version is: <u>http://video.wfyi.org/video</u> /2282149336/
- Use your <u>MEMBER SERVICE CENTER</u>! 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.
- <u>DEC Stories</u> submitted by our members and readers We always collect your unusual, humorous or just favorite DEC stories. Email them to <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u>. <u>Click on this link</u> 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



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