## March 2009 DEC Connection News-at-a-Glance



**Membership Dues for 2009 are payable now -** Just a quick reminder if you forgot - <u>You can do this online</u> or by check made out to The DEC Connection, c/o C. Robert Moore, 28 Fernglade Rd., Burlington MA 01803. The fee is 1 year for \$10 but 3 years for \$25.

## **EVENTS for 2009**

Our Board is working on a networking/workshop event that focuses on helping each other through the difficult economic times we are facing -job fair, resume writing, speakers, exchange of services, help a charity, etc. Please send suggestions to <a href="Marilyn-Goodrich">Marilyn-Goodrich</a>.

What type of events would YOU like to see in 2009? Send suggestions to info@decconnection.org.

FLORIDA CHAPTER: The Florida Chapter got together this past Saturday evening at Ava's clubhouse in Delray Beach to enjoy some good company, nostalgia and great food and music (thank you to Jose Chevere and to Elba Paolino for bringing Latin music CDs, and to My-Quan Tran for bringing all his video equipment). Robert Kutchera brought a "Digital: Whatever it Takes" banner and our Woods Meeting used the Key Largo Conference Room. After our pot-luck supper we enjoyed My-Quan's photos from a 2005 LACR reunion and seeing the DVD of the Ken Olsen Science Center Dedication DECconnection event. At least one of the former LACR folks was featured in the "Digital 40th Anniversary" video clip. We'll add photos from our event to website as they arrive, but here is one of 13 DECcies to start, at right. Top row: Ava Schutzman, Rich Calhoun. Middle row, left to right: Linda Schneider, My-Quan Tran, Anna & Carlos Munos, Martha Davila & Robert Ruiz, Jose Chevere, Geri Kearns, and Elba Rios Paolino. Front row: Robert Kutchera and Jane Saball. Not pictured: Joe & Mary McFadden

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER: 6 members, Barbara Langdon, Lin Schimel, John Lindgren, Hank Vezina, Barry Nestor, and Sarah Booth met at the Peddler's Daughter in Nashua to enjoy a pre-reunion and plan a spring/summer event in the Southern NH area. Under consideration are wine-tasting visits at a winery in Bedford, picnics at venues with the Compaq Big Band or other local Big Bands. If you have other suggestions please email Barbara: blangdon@marketmomentumllc.com.

Colorado Springs: there is a long-standing reunion group for the CXO site, Colorado Springs - they have an annual reunion on the 4th Friday of April. This year, it's April 24th. To be added to their distribution or find out about their event, contact Rob Stubblefield or Lorrie Marzulla.



Bob Moore did a special promotional mailing about Sounds of Stow's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary to folks who live in some of the surrounding towns. There were some DECconnection members in the Orchestra and Chorus and several former DECcies participate.

**Digital News of Note**: The DEC Connection wishes to note, with sadness, the passing of Ken Olsen's wife, Aulikki Olsen, earlier this month. The DEC Connection sent condolences to Ken and his family on behalf of our members, and they are in our prayers. Following is the obituary from the Indianapolis Star:

Eeva-Liisa Aulikki Olsen 84, died on March 2, 2009. Born on September 1, 1924 in Lahti, Finland, she was the daughter of Juho and Hilja Valve. She was a member of the Lotta Svaard, the women's auxiliary of the Finnish Army in the Winter War of 1939. She attended Valparaiso University as an exchange student after the war. She immigrated to the United States after she married Kenneth Olsen. She is survived by her husband and two children. She was preceded in death by one son. Memorial contributions may be sent to Project Mercy, 7011 Ardmore Avenue, Fort Wayne, IN 46809. Condolences may be posted at <a href="https://www.flannerbuchanan.com">www.flannerbuchanan.com</a>

## Membership Updates Welcome to our new members since last issue: Sarah Booth, Brian

Bourgeois, Lee Boswell, Duncan Brooks, Beth and Daniel Bumbarger, Ken Chernack, Bill Dubie, John Ehrhardt, Tim Fennell, Liz Field, Linda Fraser, Joanne Jacobs, Paul Harvey, Peter Janca, Douglas Koenig, Dave Levy, Peg Masjoan, Charles Monroe, Edgar Nunez, Patricia O'Donnell, Nick Pappas, Linda Trapasso, and Harvey Weiss.

Re-welcome to our renewing (R) members: Stephen Adrian, Debra Mae Amidon, Curt Anderson, Bill Armitage, Fred Balfour, Edward Bruce,

Amidon, Curt Anderson, Bill Armitage, Fred Balfour, Edward Bruce, Michael Bujnowski, Laura Burke, Diane Candon, Jack Conaway, Galen Davis, Phyllis De Mers, Kathleen Ellertson, Leonard Fehskens, Ray Ferrara, Vanessa Fox, Ellie Gadomski, Marilyn Goodrich, Martha Goodwine, Dave Gretton, Steve Hargrave, Jim Higgins, Don Holden, Andrew Houck, Allan Kent, Priscilla Killian, Ivan Kristoffy, V Bradford Lawson, George MacDonald, Pat Macksey, Ellie McCarthy, Dennis McMann, Bob Moore, Mary Murphy, Lee Newcomb, Frank Pascucci, Robert Powers, Mark Schubert, Bob Schuetz, David Siembieda, Ellen Simarano, Peter Sola, Dave Starratt, Elizabeth Strong, Stanley Tabol, Phyllis Toomey, Bob Trocchi, John Trubiano, Victor Valenti, Peter Vatne, Robert White, Hank Vezina.

Great to have you all aboard!

**New Feature** - Job announcements/changes or just personal news you'd like to share - Members, send us your newsbyte and we'll include it here. Just write <a href="webmaster@decconnection.org">webmaster@decconnection.org</a>

**HP Initiative:** DECconnection Board Member Nancy Kilty was interviewed in the March issue of the New England HP Newsletter, featuring interesting second careers and volunteer activities of HP/DEC retirees. Link to her article here.

## Website Updates

- Anyone remember using a VT05? Tom Pulsifer sent this YouTube link to enjoy: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?">http://www.youtube.com/watch?</a> y=7ND6oLXocR0
- Photos from the 28 March FL Chapter party are at: http://www.decconnection.org/florida.htm
- Videos from the DEC Connection Event at the Dedication of the Ken Olsen Science Center at Gordon College on Sep 27th can be viewed on our website: our three keynote speakers, Win Hindle, Rod Sutherland, and Debra Amidon, and also a Tribute to Ken Olsen video produced by Gordon College.
- Live in TX? Take the new <u>DECconnection Texas Interest Survey</u> and contact Linda Ginac.
- We added the Colorado Springs group to our International page with contact info.





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