September 2013 News-at-a-Glance

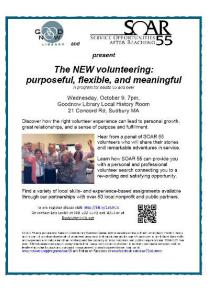
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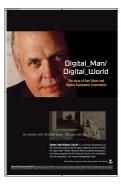
EVENTS:

- Volunteer with SOAR 55 near Maynard-Marlboro
 - COME to DECconnection-SOAR event "The New Volunteering: Purposeful, Flexible and Meaningful" on Wednesday, October 9th at 7:00pm at the Goodnow Library in Sudbury.
 - Members of the DECconnection Board will be present to discuss the program and to meet with DECconnection attendees.
 - If you plan on attending please drop a note to <u>barrie.hunter@earthlink.net</u> Or <u>loislevick@earthlink.net</u>
 - <u>Goodnow Library</u> in the Local History Room 21 Concord Road, Sudbury, MA 01776 Phone: (978) 443-1035
 - Click here for a bit more about SOAR 55 on our website.

• Announcing October 19 at the Sudbury Senior Center with showing of *Digital_Man/Digital_World*

- Have all our DECconnection members seen the PBS publication of "Digital_Man/Digital_World, The story of Ken Olsen and Digital Equipment Corporation"?
- You are invited to an event on Saturday, October 19 from 2-5 P.M. at the Sudbury Senior Center, 40 Fairbank Road, Sudbury, MA 01776.
- There will be a showing of this wonderful documentary, and opportunity to visit with DEC pals after the movie. You do not want to miss this afternoon of fun with old pals from Digital. There will also be punch and refreshments to enjoy.
- Please register with Marilyn Goodrich, marilyngoodrich@comcast.net, or call Marilyn at 978-443-6865.
- Carolinas DEC Connection Chapter Reunion Dinner (for all DECcies who wish to attend) in Raleigh NC at The Prestonwood Country Club on Thursday, November 21, 2013.
 - Cost is \$25.00 per person. Includes a full buffet, gratuity and soft drinks. The buffet has a salad bar, a fruit bar, 3 hot entrees, carving table, vegetables and a full dessert table. Alcohol is extra.
 - Contact Zul Abbany, zabbany@nc.rr.com or call him at 919-612-3416 to sign up for this event, or to be on the mailing list.





This 57-minute documentary, produced by Donald Boggs, Ben & Yelena Strout, and sponsored by Gordon College, is the definitive story about Ken Olsen and Digital. Helping organize are Phyllis Moss phyllismoss@nc.rr.com and Joe Harris <a href="mai

- Digital Australia:
 - in Sydney, Max Burnet (<u>mburnet@bigpond.net.au</u>) hosts the 20th annual Computer Old-timers lunch at noon on Friday 15th November 2013 at The Little Snail Restaurant, 50 Murray Street, Pyrmont, NSW. Register with Max.
 - Mick Duncan (<u>mduncan3@bigpond.net.au</u>) hosts an ex-Deccies lunch in Sydney each Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November) every year at the Oaks Hotel, Neutral Bay, in Sydney. No bookings required - just turn up on the day.
 - Alan Williamson (<u>alan.williamson@senetas.com</u>) hosts an ex-Deccies lunch in Melbourne at times. Contact Alan for info.

Also:

- SW Florida Chapter Meeting postponed until snowbird season in Naples FL. All DECcies welcome. Contact Sally Hering, at email: sahering@msn.com <u>Click here for information.</u>
- Reunion With Your Peers <u>click here for information</u> about running your own reunion locally with DEC Connection support.

Announcing a volunteer opportunity in Concord MA:

Newbury Court - The New England Deaconess Assn. is accepting applications for volunteers. Volunteer placements include: men's discussion group, supporting an activity, computer/Kindle support for residents, reading circle (reading to residents), pet therapy, or a special library project. Minimum requirement is 50 hours per year – two hours weekly. Newbury Court is located at 80 Deaconess Road (located next to Emerson Hospital) in Concord MA. For more information or to request a volunteer application, call Sharon Knox at 978-402-8256 or by email at: sknox@newburycourt.org

DEC Connection Member News

Welcome to our new member Alan Zimmerle.

Membership Renewal Procedure:

Best method to renew: Click this link to see if your membership is current in our <u>Member Service 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.

- 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 notice you haven't received DEC Connection's News-at-a-Glance in a while, or changed your address, sign up again for our free e-news at: www.decconnection.org/mail.htm

DEC Connection Member NewsBytes: send yours to:

webmaster@decconnection.org. See our new NewsByte archive page.

- Barb Finer announces that TechSandBox has moved to more spacious quarters at 105B South Street, Hopkinton MA, and invites DEC alumni who either bring an old badge or a DEC souvenir a \$5 discount on our program fees for the month of October. See our calendar for great networking and educational events! <u>http://www.techsandbox.org/calendar.html</u>
- Ted Sares (79-82) recently competed in the New Hampshire Powerlifting championships in Moultonborough, NH and won Masters Division (ages 75-79) setting new state records in all three lifts. tedsares@roadrunner.com

Sad News Department - details on our Memorials Page

- Our condolences to friends and family of Leo T. Bennett, who worked in Colorado Springs, and passed away on Sept 14th.
- Our condolences to friends and family of **Theresa A. (Hanlon) Buckley** of Maynard, Aug 13, 1929-Sept 19th, 2013. Theresa was one of Ken's go-to assistants for over 30 years.

Website Updates:

- Read about Barb Finer, our featured Member Entrepreneur.
- 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.)
- 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?product/d=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/
- Links page: Volunteer activities if you have an organization you'd like to post, email webmaster@decconnection.org. <u>New page for SOAR 55</u>.
- 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 are still collecting your unusual, humorous or just favorite DEC stories. Email them to <u>webmaster@decconnection.org</u>. They should be one page or less and be entertaining to our members. <u>Click on this link</u> to enjoy the ones submitted so far.
- 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 <u>email webmaster</u>.
- <u>Product and Services Page</u> has videos and photos. Please submit content to webmaster@decconnection.org.

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