December 2008 DEC Connection News-at-a-Glance

Summaries/photos from Fall events are posted on our website - check it out!

1. The DECconnection Annual Meeting on Nov 5th - Minutes posted in the Member Forum, Meetings topic

2. The New Hampshire Chapter held a spirited Seminar on Oct. 16th, featuring Nancy Kilty and Mary Murphy, two of our members, and Roberta Taylor, a retirement/life-coach, speaking on financial, insurance, and life direction aspects of the topic "Creating a Secure and Satisfying Retirement."
   http://www.decconnection.org/nh.htm -- Excellent resource lists.

3 - The DEC Connection Event at the Dedication of the Ken Olsen Science Center at Gordon College on Sep 27th - talks and photos

Two Requests from Gordon College for the Digital Loggia of Technology

1. Gordon College is finalizing their Digital Loggia of Technology Kiosk - seeking stories of your Ken Olsen and Digital experiences - just upload a word or text doc and if you like photo(s) using the link on this page - please do participate! (If it's still there, ignore the instruction about "describe your post-DEC employment" - this is about your DEC experiences.)
   http://www.decconnection.org/gordon-kiosk.htm

2. Manufacturing expert advice needed: they are seeking a person who has knowledge of how the original circuit boards and modules were made at Digital, so that they can re-create (describe) the process
of silk screening and etching, soldering etc. (for an exhibit in the Loggia of Technology).

Please contact Ben Strout at ben@televerseproductions.com and Jim Bisesi at jim@vision3creative.com if you are willing to answer their questions. Thank you!

New Member of Board of Directors

Congratulations and thank you to Joan Ross of Bedford MA, who has accepted an appointment to the DECCconnection Board of Directors. [Note from Ava: I'm very excited about this, having worked with Joan in our marketing roles over the years. You can read about her 2nd career as a photographer on her website at http://www.joanross.com.]

New Chapter - DECCconnection Texas!

We are delighted to announce that Linda Ginac of Austin TX, along with husband and ex-DECCie Frank, is starting up a Chapter based in Austin (but willing to rotate to other cities). We have posted an Interest survey on the Chapter's new page at www.decconnection.org/texas.htm - take it if you're interested in participating or just being apprised of events. Contact Linda at linda.ginac@ginagroup.com if you'd like to help! Linda is a real go-getter so we have big expectations for this chapter - besides, it's TX, right? 😁

Maybe NC too... if you're interested e-mail webmaster@decconnection.org with your contact info.

Membership Updates

Welcome to our new and renewing (R) members: Laura Startzenbach, Frank Mercurio, Ron Hill, Karen Drohame-Fadden, Mike Renzulli (R), Vanessa Fox (R), Jerry Bernath (R), Bob Farquhar (R), Clifford Fuller (R), Larry Mello (R), Ivan Kristoffy (R), Jim O'Reilly (R), Joe Mangiafico, Sherri Brown (R), Dave Palmer (R), Barry Rosen (R), Mark Schubert, Andrea Starr (R), Ron Brender (R), Dick Nixon (R), David Carthy (Israel), Ian Loughlin (UK), Phil Reimann, Ruth Arkmnecht (R), Richard Manion (R), Ava Schutzman (R), Robert Dandrade (R) and Tom Stambaugh. A special apology to Bob Morrison for listing his 1st name incorrectly last month. Great to have you all aboard!

Membership Dues for 2009 are payable now

It is time to renew your membership for 2009 ($10/yr). You can do this online (or by check made out to The DEC Connection, c/o C. Robert Moore, 28 Fernglade Rd., Burlington MA 01803). We have a new membership dues collection system - we can now accept international credit cards and no more ticketing fees for paying online! You can use Mastercard, VISA, Discover, American Express, or PayPal. Easy as pie! You will get a confirmation e-mail from PayPal after the transaction is completed successfully.

Note: If you don't remember whether you are paid up thru 2009 or not, email webmaster@decconnection.org.
Compaq Big Band Performance Notice

The Compaq Big Band (formerly DEC Big Band) will be performing at the free Nashua Winter Holiday Stroll on Saturday night November 29th - details on home page Announcements.

Website Updates

- Photos, notes and/or resource materials from speakers for KOSC Dedication, NH Seminar, and Annual Meeting Minutes are posted.
- Live in TX? Take the new DEConnection Texas Interest Survey and contact Linda Ginac.
- Live in NC? if you're interested in joining a chapter we're looking for critical mass - send your name, phone #, and address to webmaster@deconnection.org.
- Our Member Business page is now sorted by "yellow pages" directory categories, which makes it easier to find what you are looking for. Be sure to take advantage of this important member benefit! www.deconnection.org/MemberBusinesses.htm Send your info to webmaster@deconnection.org to be included.