



DECconnection

A professional association representing organization for former Digital Equipment Corporation employees

Events as of 31 August 2017

The DECconnection Kimball's and Nashua summer events were enjoyed by those who attended. [See some Kimball's photos on our website here.](#)

SAVE-THE-DATES:

* Semi-annual Phoenix luncheon at Santisi Brothers Pizza will be Saturday, November 4, 2017, at noon

* 16th annual DEC CXO reunion will be held on Thursday, April 26, 2018.

Digital and the Industry

QUESTION FOR OFFICIAL RETIREES ABOUT METLIFE INSURANCE POLICY DIVIDENDS

For those of you who kept your HP Group Home & Auto Insurance with Metlife, have you received dividend checks from either Metlife division [i.e. Auto and/or Home] in the past few years. [Note: Metlife issued dividends for calendar years that had less than expected claims.]

We are inquiring because there may be an issue on dividends not being sent to those with Metlife Homeowner's insurance. Please let us know at info@deconnection.org. thanks!

AVAILABLE- A 20-year DIGITAL SERVICE AWARD CLOCK. Joan Shanley, who lives in the Worcester area, would like to find a good home for her 20th anniversary service award clock. The chimes need to be adjusted, but otherwise it is in good condition. It has the clock tower emblem and is a Howard Miller clock. Free to the first DECcie who'd like to pick it up. JFS34@msn.com

DEC Connection Member News

Welcome to our new and renewing members during August:
Ron Calabraro (NH), David Moccia (MA), Brian Tierney (FL) and Vic Valenti (MA).



Please RENEW your membership if you're due - members check the Member Service Center (instructions below). Other readers, if you are enjoying our e-newsletters please consider joining and sending in a brief update on your activities for our newsletter. Here is how to join or renew:

Membership Renewal Procedure

- Click link to see if your membership is current in our [Member Service Center](#) 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 - no leading or trailing spaces - email ava@deconnection.org for help.
- You can also join us (or renew) at [Join the DEC Connection online!](#)
- You can send personal checks made out to DEC Connection to Nancy Kilty, 33 Forest St. Unit 416, Lexington MA 02421.
- If you prefer to use your PayPal account directly (not via our website), use our payment address: registrations@deconnection.org - do NOT use any Board member's personal email address.

DEC Connection Member NewsBytes

Please send your update to: ava@deconnection.org [See our NewsByte archive page.](#)

Change in Publication Schedule

Starting with the next issue, we will be publishing this newsletter every 2 months. We'll continue to send notices as needed for announcements and events.

Sad News Department

We send condolences to friends of Tracey R. Greenwood, former Security Manager at Digital for 20 years, and friends of Karin White, who worked in Colorado Springs on the DirecTV contract for many years. [Details are on our Memorial Page.](#)

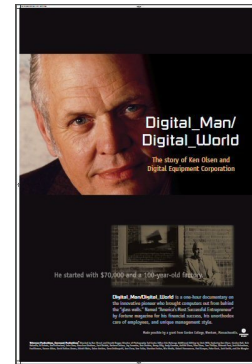
Website Features and Updates

- [Where to Donate your Digital Equipment gear](#)

■ 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:

<http://www.shoppbs.org/product/index.jsp?productId=13315614>

It's a wonderful hour-long nostalgia trip. Enjoy!



For those who prefer to watch the free version on their computers, the URL is: [Link to Ken Olsen/Digital Video](#)

■ **Use your MEMBER SERVICE CENTER!** 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.

■ **[DEC Stories]** submitted by our members and readers - We are still collecting your unusual, humorous or just favorite DEC stories. Email them to webmaster@deconnection.org. [Click on this link](#).

■ **Featured Member Entrepreneur** - Email ava@deconnection.org 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 LinkedIn to be added or email ava@deconnection.org.

Hewlett-Packard Alumni Association info (membership not required) Thanks to Curt Gowan for sharing all of this valuable advice.

* US - Medicare webinar presentations and Q-and-A: Medicare is much more complex than one would think... and there can be some expensive surprises. Both speakers are very experienced, succinct, and practical.

<http://www.hpalumni.org/medicare>

- Part 1 -- Medicare Explained -- with Heads Up Warnings, by non-profit health insurance counselor Connie Corrales. - Part 2 -- Medicare for HP Retirees, by Aon Retiree Health Exchange analyst David Rew. - Part 3 -- Q and A.

* HP stock and options issues: <http://www.hpalumni.org/stock>

* Leaving HP? Use the HP Alumni Association's "ASAP Checklist" immediately. It has advice on the many things you have to do before you lose access to HP's internal systems. Go to <http://www.hpalumni.org/asap>

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