

January 2013 News-at-a-Glance



UPCOMING EVENTS

Free Lunch or Dinner Seminar offered to DECconnection members by our sponsor, Legacy Financial Services: "TEAR UP YOUR ESTATE PLAN!"

Featured Speakers: Paul J. Mauro, CLU, ChFC and Eric Zucker, Estate Planning attorney

At this seminar, we will help you determine:

- How the 2012 taxpayer Relief bill affects you?
- Do you need more tax deferral to avoid new medicare tax?
- Do you need to modify your estate plan to comply with new rules?
- Can you use the new tax rates to your advantage?
- How to leverage your IRA to avoid a huge Tax Bill?

DATE: Thursday, February 21, 2013

TIMES: Offered twice - at 12:30 p.m. (Lunch) and 6:30 p.m. (Dinner)

LOCATION: River Rock Grill, 163 Main St., Maynard MA (978) 897-5500

TO REGISTER: Send your name(s), email, city/state, and telephone number to webmaster@deconnection.org. You may bring a spouse or guest (if so provide both names). **Be sure to say whether you are attending the lunch or dinner presentation.** Deadline: Tuesday Feb 19th or when it fills up, so don't delay! (If you are not a paid-up member of DEC Connection, please join our association first at www.deconnection.org/join.htm)

Any questions about the seminar - contact Nancy Kilty at 781-861-7487.

[Click this link for the website of the River Rock Grill.](#) There is plenty of parking across the street in the old Mill/Sudbury St. parking lot.

Member-Helping-Member Concall rescheduled to Feb 13th:

Sally Hering in S. FL will speak with interested DEC Connection members about special programs for real estate foreclosures.

NEW DATE: Wednesday, February 13th, 2013 at 6 PM

Our calls are for paid-up members, so please join or renew prior to signing up. Only \$10 to join for 1 year! Email webmaster@deconnection.org to participate.

[You can read about Sally on our Featured Entrepreneur webpage.](#)

NEW DEC Connection Chapter: Sally Hering is going to organize a Florida - SW chapter, so give her a call or email if interested in get-togethers in the Naples FL area! sahering@msn.com

Reunion With Your Peers:

The Board is considering potential DECconnection events for 2013. One of



2 free financial seminars are scheduled Connection members on February 21st at River Rock Grill, 163 Main St. across from the old Mill in Maynard.



Sally Hering is hosting the Member-Helping-Member concall on Real Estate rescheduled to February 13 at 6 PM.

those would be a Reunion of your peers **defined and organized by you**. Determine the peer group you would like to invite (by geography, building, affinity group [e.g. sales, engineering, manufacturing], years, etc.) Also choose the activity (e.g., a luncheon, dinner, cookouts, ball games, golf, boat rides, travel, music festivals, etc.). The Board of The DEC Connection will provide help choosing a site, determine the cost, negotiate with vendors, provide a portion of the funding, help with setup if Maynard area, name tags, selling tickets on our website, promoting, etc. This could be a small or large group. Please send us your proposal at: info@DECconnection.org and we will be in contact with you. Thanks to those who have already proposed events!

DEC Connection Member News

Welcome **New Members**: Gail Blizzard, Linda Crawford, Paul Donovan, Kathryn O'Donnell, and Jan (Sachs) Viviani

and a hearty re-welcome to our **Renewing Members**: Wayne Belanger, Suzan Bennett, Jerry Bernath, Michael Bujnowski, Laura Burke, Sandy Cooper, Paula Daley, Karen Dorhamer-Fadden, Bob Farquhar, Cliff Fuller, Bob Glorioso, Ruth Goldenberg, Coleen Goleman, Bob Graham, Bernard Hall, Sally Hering, Jim Higgins, Stanley Kielbowicz, Lynn Lee, Greg Liverman, Joe Mangioficio, Frank Mercurio, Jack Mileski, Rodney Mitchell, James Montague, Jean Nagle, Mikki Nikoloff, Patricia O'Donnell, Lorna Oinonen, Carol Phillips, Bob Powers, Sriram Ramanathan, Barbara Reichert, Barry Rosen, Lin Schimel, Sanford Schulman, Ava Schutzman, Mark Silverberg, Susan Sparks, David Velten, Sue Weiss, Chris (Kumlin) Williams, Sue Yarger

Thanks to all for your continuing support!

It's Membership Renewal Time! Click this 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 for you - no leading or trailing spaces and it should work - email webmaster@deconnection.org for help. 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.

You can also join us (or renew) at www.deconnection.org/join.htm

Volunteer Activities: From time to time we are asked to refer members to worthwhile volunteer organizations for their participation. (Of course, please consider volunteering to participate in DEC Connection activities!)

We have posted links and profiles of some popular programs on our website (click link). [This month we are highlighting a profile of SOAR 55](#), where you can volunteer time to assist people in non-profit settings.

Note: Some of our members contribute to a similar organization called SCORE which assigns volunteer consultants to assist small for-profit businesses, and the NewsBytes below cite other interesting opportunities.

DEC Connection Member NewsBytes: send yours to:



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webmaster@deconnection.org. [See our new NewsByte archive page.](#)

We are delighted that at renewal time we receive lots of personal update notes... so if yours didn't appear below, it'll be published in an upcoming issue.

- **Mary Cole** sent video links to some old Digital humor...

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=tKU0ivYxq_I&noredirect=1&hd=1

http://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=G0phzme6EDw&hd=1

also she found an old Digital Business Opportunities UNIX folder which is [pictured in our Promo Museum](#) mary.cole@comcast.net

- **Bernie Hall** writes: I drove by the old Digital Parker Street facility (PK1, PK2 & PK3) today and shocked to see two of the buildings (PK1 & PK3) demolished! The site is slated to be rebuilt as a shopping center. I took these photos standing at the end of the pathway between the old DCU building and what used to be PK3. It was the best of times! behall5@hotmail.com
- **Richard Smith** wrote: I don't drive through Maynard very often, so I was shocked, shocked this weekend when I glanced over where PKO3 had been and saw a pile of rubble! End of an era. I found this website that shows what the developer has in mind for the site - The Shoppes at Maynard Crossing. [Click here to see proposal now becoming reality.](#)
- **Reesa Abrams** writes: What does a good parent do? They put out the food and the toys with good instructions and if successful the kids make a huge mess. My partners and I have all been on the net for >4 decades and we are not going to retire, so we started **DiskCorp.com** with a mission to deliver technology solutions that optimize service supply chains and maximize asset value of returned electronics by extending product and component lifecycles through environmentally sustainable services. rabrams@diskcorp.com
- **Lisa Brown** writes: Former Human Resources Manager at DEC. Retired from HP as Director of HR for Global Services. Currently engaged in volunteer work with Quest, local Food Bank and mentoring young professional women with 3Plus International Women. Would love to hear from those I worked with in the past at brown.lisa790@gmail.com
- **Dr. Margaret Britt** (Corporate Finance Training and the F.D.P. Program; 20 years at DEC) is still teaching in the M.B.A. Program at Mount Vernon Nazarene University in Mount Vernon, Ohio. She has a home in Lakeland, Florida where she spends time during vacations. Margaret has fond memories of Digital and her many friends! meje7@aol.com
- From **Karen Hamilton**: After a number of years of retirement I'm now working at the Clinton Senior Center in the kitchen. We provide 5 nutritious meals a week at a nominal fee. karenhamilton@verizon.net
- **Salvatore Infantino** writes: I am fine, and relaxing, my movement is limited. SALINF5228@aol.com
- **Barbara Finer** writes: I was a DEC employee in Large Systems engineering (DEC-10/20). We've started a physical incubator/innovation center in MetroWest (35 towns by definition) to support entrepreneurs in science and tech startups who live and/or want to start here. We have start some meetups to introduce ourselves, the concept and also get volunteer committees going. Any entrepreneurs in the region and other key stakeholders, please come to a meeting to check us out. www.techsandbox.org is the main site and the Calendar has links to the

meetups. barb@quivivity.com

- **Dave Wood** (CXO), discovered this very cool DEC timeline on Gordon Bell's Microsoft website – lots of memories. Thanks to Rob Stubblefield for forwarding.

<http://research.microsoft.com/en-us/um/people/gbell/digital/timeline/1957.htm>

Sad News Department:

Our condolences to the family and friends of Pete (Nathan) Stith, 75, of Phoenix AZ, who passed away on January 2, 2013.

We are also saddened to learn of the deaths, earlier in 2012, of:

- Mabel Spahr, Colorado Springs, 15 May 2012
- Rick Laidlaw, Cincinnati OH, 16 April 2012

See our [Memorials page](#) for further information.

Website Updates:

- 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!
- **Links page:** Volunteer activities - if you have an organization you'd like to post, email webmaster@deconnection.org
- 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. They should be one page or less and be entertaining to our members. [Click on this link](#) to enjoy the ones submitted so far.
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- 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 [email webmaster](#).
- [Product and Services Page](#) has videos and photos. Please submit content to webmaster@deconnection.org.

