

January 2015 News-at-a-Glance



Upcoming EVENTS:

Just announced: **SAVE THE DATE for the Colorado Springs Annual Reunion! Fri., April 24, 2015.**

The DEC Connection Board will be convening in February to plan 2015 events. Please send your suggestions to Nancy_Kilty@hotmail.com.

Reunion With Your Peers - [click here for information](#) about running your own reunion locally with DEC Connection support.

Memories of Digital:

- Jack MacKeen sent in a [link to a Harvard Business School exhibit - open to the public - on General Doriot](#). "Georges F. Doriot: Educating Leaders, Building Companies" is available to all visitors until August 3, 2015. The exhibit is located on the first floor of Baker Library | Bloomberg Center at Harvard Business School.
- [Jack Burness noticed a Digital logo on the set of HBO TV show "The Newsroom"](#).
- [Steve Kallis has preserved some of the Digital Film Library](#). See his note on DEC equipment in movies, and links to where you can see them on YouTube and Archive.org, and stats about the views. Thanks to Mary Cole for forwarding.

DEC Connection Member News

Welcome to new members **John Markiewicz, Paulette Rio, Peter Ross and Gene Skayne** (all MA), and a hearty re-welcome to renewing members **Ruth Armknecht (MA), Mary Cozma (PA), Rob Dandrade (MA), Jim Davis (VA), Larry Harris (MA), Sam Hutchinson (TX), Jack Pinder (MA), and Margaret Stashluk (NH)**.

Membership Renewal Procedure:

Best method to renew: 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 - no leading or trailing spaces - email ava@deconnection.org for help.

- You can also join us (or renew) at www.deconnection.org/join-online.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@deconnection.org - do NOT use any Board member's personal email address.

Staying on our email list: Our newsletter contact manager removes names if the recipient mail server sends a rejection notice. If you haven't received DEC Connection's News-at-a-Glance in a while, or you changed your email address, re-register for our free e-news at: <http://www.deconnection.org/mail.htm>

DEC Connection Member NewsBytes: send yours to: webmaster@deconnection.org.

[See our new NewsByte archive page.](#)

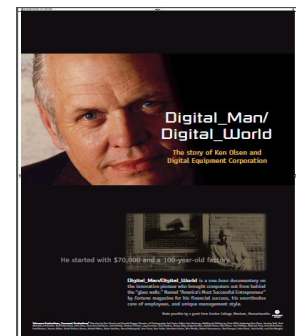
- **Art Clockedile**, badge #40, sent in a photo of his 25th Digital anniversary award, received in 1984. [Click here to see it on our online museum page.](#) clockedilea@charter.net
- **Frank Lombardi** writes that he is still working at PC Connection in Merrimack NH. franknh1@yahoo.com
- **Jack Mileski** forwarded a link to a really amazing application developed in Israel called the Cicret bracelet - it is like a tablet projected onto your skin. He said: Neat! I remember when I was at Digital in the mid- '70s in the SW Dept. and we debated whether software and personal gadgets would take over the world. We concluded that it would despite the HW orientation of the company (we were in the minority). It did come true!
<https://www.youtube.com/embed/9J7GpVQCfms>

Sad News Department - [details on our Memorials Page](#)

- Joanne Jacobs sent in sad news that computer pioneer **Jack Gilmore** recently died. During the 1950s, Jack was involved in the MIT Whirlwind Project where he wrote the first commercial software used for air traffic control, and the MIT Lincoln Laboratory Computer Research Group where he wrote the first personal operating system. From 1974 til his retirement in 1992, Jack served on the staff of Digital Equipment Corporation in various managerial and technical roles in their Office Automation efforts. Jack held 2 patents, one for Digital.
- We are sad to report the passing of **Ingeborg Hill**, 78, of Colorado Springs CO. Inge worked as a document control specialist for over 25 years with Digital and Quantum computer companies.
- Condolences to friends of **Jon Raphaelson**, 60, Worcester MA, who passed away on 13 January. While at Digital/Cpq/HP, Jon was an instructor in Enterprise Architecture.

Website Updates:

- **US - Medicare webinar presentations and Q-and-A** now online: Medicare is much more complex than one would think... and there can be some expensive surprises. The presentations and Q-and-A from the HPAA Medicare webinar are now online. 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. Again thanks to Curt Gowan for this valuable advice.
- A handy list of health-related resources for "near-seniors" is on our [Links page](#).
- If you know someone who has been offered the HP 2014 U.S. Phased Retirement Program, please send them this link: <http://www.hpalumni.org/PRP>
This independent site has advice and reference info from HP alumni who have gone through previous retirement/layoff cycles. We also have an email list for updated info and moderated discussions. Thanks to Curt Gowan for this info.



- 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:

<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: <http://video.wfyi.org/video/2282149336/>

- 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.
- 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](#)..



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