

## DECconnection Chapter Fall Events

**A new Pittsburgh PA area Chapter (PTO, Erie, Charleston WV offices)** is being organized by Bill Costello - a **Reunion Party** is planned for December. Here are the details:

- Day & Date: Thursday, December 9th, 2010
- Place: Wheel House Sports Bar (inside the Rivers Casino) - Pittsburgh, PA
- Time: 5 PM to 9PM - Happy Hour Specials: 6 to 8PM
- Parking: FREE in the Casino garage
- Questions: [william.costello@bc3.edu](mailto:william.costello@bc3.edu) and [bill.costello@ang.af.mil](mailto:bill.costello@ang.af.mil) or call Bill at 724-355-6273
- If you know any ex-DECcies in W PA area please pass this email along (they didn't have to work there, any ex-DECcies are welcome)

The NH Chapter held a Winetasting Social on Oct. 15th at the Fulchino Vineyards, Hollis NH. Thanks to Lin Schimel for preparing the appetizers and organizing the event, and to all who attended for making it a success! [Click here for some photos.](#)



## DECconnection 2011 Events and Concalls - Take SURVEY

We're interested in your ideas for events and concalls for 2011 - what would motivate you to attend or participate? Do you have an expertise you're willing to share during a concall? [Click here to take the quick survey.](#)

**Hewlett-Packard** invites Digital retirees to join the HP 2010 Retiree Annual Briefing broadcast on Thursday, October 28, either in-person (MA, OR, CO, CA, TX, MI, U.K.) or on the web. It's a great opportunity for HP's leadership team to share company business highlights, recognize the successes of the past year and have you learn about new ways to engage with HP. As a retiree from HP or one of our heritage companies, you are a valued part of our extended HP community and we appreciate your commitment to our company's success. Your questions are welcome and the leadership team will address as many of your live and pre-submitted questions as possible during the Q&A segment of the meeting. You must pre-register to attend or watch the webcast or the replay.

[http://www.hp.com/retiree/news/2010\\_Retiree\\_Briefing.html](http://www.hp.com/retiree/news/2010_Retiree_Briefing.html)

The username is hpway and password is toplay.

**DECconnection Newsbytes** - Members please send news you'd like to share to: [webmaster@deconnection.org](mailto:webmaster@deconnection.org).

- From Al Sorkin (Photo below, right), [al@sorkin.com](mailto:al@sorkin.com): I'm happy to report that I am working full time for NASA Headquarters Environmental Management Division as a Sr. Principal Engineer. I am developing collaborative technology demonstration projects in the TEERM Principal Center- "Technology Evaluation for Environmental Risk Mitigation".



This work is directed at implementing Federal Executive Orders in the area of energy, water and high performance sustainable buildings. This is very challenging and rewarding work to "green" NASA facilities around the country involving renewable energy, hydrogen and fuel cells, etc. My recent picture at Kennedy Space Center is attached. I work out of my home offices in New Hampshire and Florida.

- From Ruth Goldenberg: I have retired from high tech and have been focusing on healing people rather than software. I'm a Reiki volunteer at Emerson Hospital in Concord MA and Eastern Maine Medical Center in Bangor ME. I've just completed a two-year program in Biodynamics Craniosacral Therapy and am intending to grow a healing business.
- From Lyle Hughes: I was WFR'd from HP in April 2010, but I'm grateful to have made it for 36 years (starting with DEC in 74) without a layoff, so I've been enjoying the Summer while I look forward to my Phase II career opportunities and challenges. HughesLT1@Yahoo.com
- Send in your NewsBytes for next month! Keep 'em coming!

### **Membership Updates - welcome to our new & renewing members since last e-news in September:**

- **Renewing Member:** Michael Raczkowski
- **New Members:** Jim Boice, William Cox, Ruth Goldenberg, Lyle Hughes, Celeste LaRock, Mel Lewandowski, Joe Oleksak, Hank Poulter, Bob Stannard and Nicole Wing

**Sad News Department:** Our sincere condolences to the families and friends of Ron Bunker (long-time Digital manager and mentor in Canada, Australia and US GIA), and Dick Rifflemacher from Colorado Springs, who passed away during October. [Click here](#) for Memorials page.

**Correction:** Apologies to Eliane Markoff for my typo in her website link last month, and appreciation because Eliane was a sponsor of the September 11th Reunion at the Mill. Her charitable foundation, [Art in Giving](#), is an innovative way to acquire art for yourself or as a gift. Half the Art in Giving proceeds are donated to [The Rachel Molly Markoff Foundation](#). Its mission is dedicated to pediatric cancer research and programs to help families cope with childhood cancer.

Post-Digital, Eliane has become a successful artist in her own right and has recruited many other talented artists who donate works of art to her charity. Check out both [Art in Giving](#) and [Eliane's own website](#) at these links.

### **Website Updates**

- Would you like to be a 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 (no additional charge). Request from within LinkedIn to be added or [email webmaster](#).

