



# DECconnection

A professional association, networking organization for former Digital Equipment Corporation employees

## November-December 2017

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Hi DECCies, once again, it's Turkey Time!  
The DEC Connection wishes you all a happy and healthy holiday season and New Year.

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## Events

### SAVE-THE-DATES:

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

\* Our next Maynard Mill event will be held on Friday, May 18, 2018 at the Battle Road Pub behind the pond on Sudbury St. We are arranging for Mini-Reunions: organize a small group of your friends and reserve one or more tables (up to 10 per) by emailing us at [info@deconnection.org](mailto:info@deconnection.org) with your name(s) and organization.



### EVENT RECAP:

[Click here](#) to see Galen Davis' wrap-up of the November Phoenix AZ luncheon.

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## Digital and the Industry

## NOSTALGIA TIME!

Thanks to Steve Kallis, Jr., Mike Renzulli, and Joe Valof for these submissions:

Steve Kallis, Jr. has written up the genesis of the Digital Film Library. [See it here on our website.](#)

Mike Renzulli (mikerenzulli@hotmail.com) sent in: You may find this an [interesting recap of some Digital history](#) through the eyes of a sales rep in the New England District. I was part of this history.

Joe Valof (igcatty@earthlink.net) sent in 2 announcements of computer sales to Bolivia in 1976. He writes: Hi, thought you might like the attached notices from the La Paz, Bolivia school system [CNES], about DEC's very large sale in 1976, Ed Reilly and I signed off on the contract. [One's in English](#), and [one's in Spanish](#). (If a kind Spanish-speaking person will translate this for us (please send to [info@deconnection.org](mailto:info@deconnection.org)) we'll replace the original-thanks!

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## DEC Connection Member News

Welcome to our new and renewing members during October and November: Klaus Ahlborn (Germany), Walt Colby (MA), Rob Dandrade (MA), Doug Garber (MA), Aline Migrants (MA), Susan Slane (NH), and Mark Yanow (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](mailto: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](mailto:registrations@deconnection.org) - do NOT use any Board member's personal email address.

**Member Newsbytes:** please send yours to [info@deconnection.org](mailto:info@deconnection.org) - 2-3 lines telling members about your activities since Digital.

**Fred Balfour** wrote that he is auditing a class at Ithaca College in the school of journalism on independent media, history of. Turns out the classroom was donated in 1989 by none other than Digital Equipment Corporation! And, both the professor and other students were interested in learning about Digital.

[fred.balfour@gmail.com](mailto:fred.balfour@gmail.com)

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## Sad News Department

This issue we unfortunately have some deaths of former Digital employees to report. Our condolences to friends and families of:

Marge Hollis, 87, Sandwich MA, 17 Nov 2017

Keith Glick, 77, Colorado Springs, 12 Nov 2017

Bob A. Johnson, 74, Acton MA, 4 Nov 2017

David Kicilinski, 85, Colorado Springs and Barnstable MA, 7 Oct 2017

Bill Grierson, 73, Colorado Springs, 6 Oct 2017

Jerry Stimpfl, 75, Colorado Springs, 25 Sep 2017

Tracey Greenwood, 59, Sterling MA, 25 Aug 2017

David Wilhelm, 57, Rockport TX, 30 July 2017

[Details are on our Memorial Page.](#)

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## Website Features and Updates

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

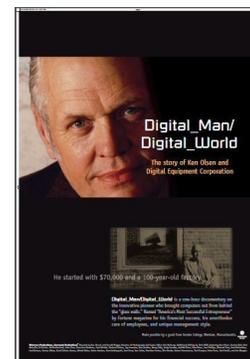
■ The PBS video of the documentary about Ken and the history of DEC, **Digital\_Man/Digital\_World**, is available online (\$25+s/h) from the PBS store:

[http://www.shoppbs.org/product/index.jsp?](http://www.shoppbs.org/product/index.jsp?productId=13315614)

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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, 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 [info@deconnection.org](mailto:info@deconnection.org). [Click on this link.](#)

■ **Featured Member Entrepreneur** - Email [info@deconnection.org](mailto:info@deconnection.org) with details - 2-3 paragraphs about your business and your photo.

**Hewlett-Packard Alumni Association info (membership not required)** Thanks to Curt Gowan for sharing all of this valuable advice. See the HP Connections thread in Linked In for advice from alumni to current employees and those being laid off.

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