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David Gard to Keynote at CACC's General Membership Meeting (GMM)

David Gard, Energy Program Director of Michigan Environmental Council will be the keynote speaker at CACC's General Membership Meeting, June 27th, at the Michigan Energy Fair in Onkama, Michigan. He will speak on "Defining Clean and Green - An Assessment of the Alternatives". David Gard earned a joint MBA/MS from the University of Michigan. He holds a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Northwestern University. CACC is proud to have Mr. Gard present at CACC's GMM.

CACC's GMM will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, June 27th, at Tent 2, the Policy tent. Mr. Gard will speak at 2 p.m., immediately following the meeting. The Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association, host of the Great Lakes Energy Fair, is offering CACC members a terrific deal. CACC members, whose membership is up-to-date, will be admitted free to the Michigan Energy Fair, on Saturday, June 27th, only. CACC members can attend the Fair Saturday and Sunday for \$10.00. A weekend pass (Friday through Sunday) remains at \$20.00 (a bargain!) - Costs to enter the Fair (and, subsequently CACC's GMM) for non-members of CACC remain as posted at the Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association's website: <http://www.glrea.org/> - *Greater details and directions will be posted soon at the CACC website at: <http://www.caccmi.org/>*

Following is the proposed agenda for the GMM:

Old Business

Treasurer's Report
Report from HEAL
Newsletter/ Website
CACC Office Energy Audit/Renovation Project
CACC's Food Concession at Wheatland

New Business

Election of Directors 2009-2010
Proposed Bylaws
Proposed Resolutions *
Great Lakes Health Banner
Announcements

Proposed resolutions will be posted on CACC's website: <http://www.caccmi.org/> after June 21st.

The proposed bylaws changes are as follows:

- 1) The General Membership Meeting is to be held in the first half of the year. This would change from in the spring of the year.
- 2) Voting: decisions will be made by a quorum of at least half of the members of the Board. This would change from 4 voting members.)
- 3) To be on the Board of Directors: You must attend at least half of the regularly scheduled meetings either in person or electronically to remain on the board. This would change from being able to attend scheduled meetings on a regular basis.

Proposed Slate of CACC Board of Director Candidates for 2009- 2010

Ann Hunt is current Treasurer for the CACC Board and has served as the former Executive Director. - *As a founding member of CACC, I believe strongly in the mission of the organization. I believe that only through empowerment of citizens to take*

action themselves on issues of concern to them, will we mobilize our collective energies to bring about change. My goal for CACC is to see it continue to grow in both membership and strength, eventually to staffing the CACC office on a regular basis so its resources are available to members and the public.

Gretchen Michaels is a current member of the CACC Board of Directors. Working with Mary Ann Stroup, founder of Families for Environmental Awareness, Gretchen has helped revive the Great Lakes Health Banner, a grassroots art project that is a call to action to protect the environmental health of our communities and the Great Lakes. More information can be found on this amazing artwork on CACC's website. She is a painter, organic gardener and traveler. Married 40 years, her husband Gary and she live on a treasured 10 acre parcel of land in Oxford. They spend time in their gardens, making art, protecting habitats, hiking and paying attention to contemporary politics and environmental dilemmas as much as possible. Gretchen taught art in Utica public schools for 35 years, specializing in integrating the Fine Arts back into curriculum through the Natural Sciences and Language Arts. She sees conservation and returning to the "human scale" as a way towards sustainability. She has no computer, cell phone, iPod or microwave – but she has a full pantry, and exciting studio and a great compost pile.

John Witucki is a current member of the CACC Board of Directors. - *I have been active with CACC for almost 20 years - much more so in the last 6 years, especially regarding the Wheatland Music Festival. I have worked as a social worker for the State for almost 25 years, am a native of Bay City and have been active in environmental and peace and justice issues for most of my life.*

Lucia Campbell - is the Secretary on the current Board of Directors. She has been a staunch CACC volunteer at Wheatland for many years. - *I have been a member of CACC since I discovered I could contribute through the United Way drive in my office, and have influenced others in my work area to donate to CACC through the United Way, too. My primary interest as a CACC member is in preserving Michigan's environmental quality. An area of concern is the shortsightedness of dumping ANYTHING in the midst of the largest reserve of fresh water on the planet. I believe producers of products should be responsible for any contribution their processes make to the waste stream in any form.*

Phill Hunt is a founding member of CACC, the source of many of CACC's most successful fund raising opportunities, and is a current member of the CACC Board of Directors. Phill has been a volunteer at the Wheatland Food Concession since CACC started serving food there! He's also one the inspirations for the Backyard ECO Conference and a firm believer that you can only hear so much depressing news - then you have to dance! He is a licensed contractor and both the designer and builder of CACC's Wheatland food building - the hardshell CACC tent.

Victor McManemy - (Victor is a current member of the CACC Board of Directors.) Victor is a songwriter, troubadour, historian and advocate for the Great Lakes and the Indigenous Peoples of the Great Lakes region. He is an excellent cook, and a tremendous inspiration to us. He has been a stalwart volunteer for CACC's fundraising efforts at the Wheatland Festival for over a decade, and his songs have been a feature of the Backyard Eco Conference since 1983.

Connie Beauvais – Connie has been the Chief Coordinator for CACC's Wheatland Food Concession at the Wheatland Music Festival for countless years, and is a member of CACC's Fundraising Committee. She is a Personal Chef and Caterer with emphasis on organic and vegetarian foods. She is a large organic gardener and has participated for several years in board meetings. Connie also has worked many years as chef and coordinator - caterer for the Backyard Eco Conference. This past fall she hosted the CACC board retreat.

Stas Yascolt has volunteered at CACC's Kitchen at Wheatland for quite a few years. Most of you know him as the capable auctioneer at CACC's Silent Auction. Stas has a strong background in Peace and Justice work, and is involved in the effort to stop the new coal plant in Bay City. - *I see CACC as being an effective grassroots organization with talented leaders. The work CACC is doing affects the entire planet.*

CACC Member Endorsement Ballot for 2008-2009 CACC Board of Directors – Ballots due by Wednesday to “CACC Ballot” C/o Kay Cumbow 15184 Dudley Rd., Brown City, MI 48416, or send by email to kcumbow@caccmi.org by Thursday, June 25th, 2009.

You may vote once - by mail, email, or at the General Membership Meeting, 1pm, Saturday, June 27th, 2009 held at the Michigan Energy Fair at Onekama, Michigan.

I endorse the above slate of proposed candidates for the CACC Board of Directors for 2007-2008.

Yes ___ No ___

(Optional) Write in nomination for CACC board of directors. _____

On a separate piece of paper, please give your reasons why this person is qualified to be on the CACC board of directors.