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The Vision

Please Join Us on a Trip to Denmark, May 24–29, 2005!

Clean Power Now is organizing a six-day trip to Denmark this May, hosted by Danish-American members of CPN, Dorte and William Griswold. Please join us for this exciting and unforgettable adventure!

The departure date is Tuesday, May 24, with a return date of Sunday, May 29th, 2005. **Space is limited, so please sign up as soon as possible** by replying to: pam@cleanpowernow.org, or call us at 508-775-7796. **The DEADLINE for making reservations is March 31st.**

The cost of the trip is \$1,250 per person/double occupancy, or \$1,400 per person/single occupancy, and includes airfare, lodging, breakfasts, all ground and boat transportation, and a tax-deductible contribution to Clean Power Now.

ITINERARY: Our flight on Icelandair will depart Boston **Tuesday** evening. Arriving in Copenhagen on **Wednesday** at mid-day, we will continue by train to Nysted, approximately 2 hours south of Copenhagen. At the hotel in Nysted, it is an easy walk to the beach, from which the 70-turbine wind park at Rødsand is visible on the horizon.

On **Thursday**, we will travel by chartered boat from Nysted Harbor to see the new wind park at Rødsand close up, sailing between and around some of the wind turbines, located just 6.2 miles offshore. Aboard the boat, our guide will tell us about the wind park's construction and its role in the Nysted community. A tour of the Vestas wind turbine factory in Ringkøbing will round out the day.

Mid-morning on **Friday**, we will leave Nysted and travel by train to Esbjerg, approximately 4 hours west of Copenhagen, arriving in mid-afternoon. **Saturday** we will travel by chartered bus to see the wind parks at Tjæborg and Velling, and the 80-turbine offshore wind park at Blåvand.

Sunday morning, we will return on an early morning train. Arrival in Copenhagen is in time to catch the mid-afternoon Icelandair connection to Boston, where we arrive in the early evening. Or you can select an option to stay longer in Copenhagen or Reykjavik, Iceland, or both, on your own, even visiting other European cities before returning to Boston via Icelandair from a choice of major cities at no additional airfare.



Wind Park at Blåvand, Horns Rev

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From the Desk of the Executive Director, Matt Palmer

It is possible that some of the recent news articles on the Cape Wind project might lead to the conclusion that the project is halted. Nothing could be further from the truth. The project is alive and well, and in fact took a significant step forward recently when Massachusetts Environmental Affairs Secretary Ellen Roy Herzfelder issued a Certificate of Adequacy on

March 3, 2005.

On February 24, 2005, the public comment period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement ended. During the extended comment period, the Army Corps of Engineers received more than 4,000 comments from individuals, organizations, and government agencies. It is now the Corps' responsibility

to evaluate all those comments, and determine what additional information needs to be included in the Final Environmental Impact Statement.

With the close of the comment period, Clean Power Now will be re-focusing its efforts on informing the public and our elected officials about the urgent need for

developing significant wind power resources. We have several events coming up in the next few months, which are detailed in this newsletter. Please join us for as many of these events as you can. We also encourage you, our members to write to your local newspapers and representatives and express your views on wind power in Nantucket

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Business Vision Workshop Available

by Jim Liedell, CPN Operations Director

CPN is offering a new **FREE 30–45 minute workshop** to give businesses and individuals a clear Vision of their future with Cape-based wind power. The introductory presentation, Q&A, and workshop time especially are focused on each participant's individual opportunities. The process and forms were custom-designed to help each participant generate, evaluate, plan and implement effectively the means to improve their business/personal bottom line results.

If the wind farm project is approved and manufacturing and installation phases begin, 600–1,000 full-time jobs will be created in the region, and Massachusetts' economic output will increase by some

\$110 million. Additionally, Cape Wind Associates expects 150 new well-paid wind farm-related jobs in Barnstable County. And, besides the creation of jobs, the project will need local goods and services such as banking, barge services, catering, concrete, construction services, dining, docking facilities, electrical equipment, environmental studies, hospital/medical, legal, lodging, marine equipment, safety equipment, steel and transportation.

The Business Vision data and process will aid local businesses to add sales and enhance profits, by learning the nature and timing of Project activities and needs. Three worksheets will help participants

develop and record specific plans for benefiting from the Project and other initiatives. Numbers and dates are not essential on the first pass, but estimates will help to prioritize plans at an early stage. The process will allow participants to brainstorm ideas from the outset, and fully develop them later, and will aid in identifying, planning and acting on new opportunities, help anticipate problems or market changes, and outline innovative and timely steps to overcome roadblocks.

Call Jim Liedell at 508-362-0167 or 508-775-7796 (CPN office) to learn more about the program or to schedule a session.

Our Members in the Press: Jane E. Johnson / Dugan Hayes / Inge Perreault

The following letter from a CPN member appeared in the 2/3/05 *Cape Cod Times*:

People are our true national treasure: do right for them!

To the editor:

I am strongly in favor of the construction of the proposed wind farm. I feel any slight environmental impact or aesthetic issues are more than offset by the benefits of generating our own energy through wind power.

Our true national treasure is our young men and women struggling to promote freedom halfway around the world. By building the wind farm we are sending a message to the world that we are no longer going to leave our safety and security to the whims of foreign governments.

I have the opportunity to travel throughout our great country. I would be so proud to say, when people ask me where I am from, that I'm from Cape Cod, where we are building the first U.S. off-shore wind farm, which will provide for a large part of our energy needs as well as reduce air pollution and hopefully slow global warming.

I hope we can all put aside our own self-interests and come together to do the right thing. **Jane E. Johnson**, Brewster

Barnstable High School Grad Speaks Out in Boston: (appeared in the 2/18/05 edition of the *Barnstable Patriot*: "Windsock" periodic column, quoting CPN member **Dugan Hayes**):

Dugan Hayes, a Barnstable High School graduate now studying at MIT, gave the Cape Wind project a boost Tuesday at a Statehouse rally sponsored by Clean Power Now.

"As a Cape resident of 16 years," he said in a copy of his remarks forwarded to the *Patriot* at the paper's request, "I would be elated to have my home be the birthplace of the clean energy revolution..... Ignore the monied few and take the stance of the sweeping majority."

For the complete details and sources of any facts mentioned in this newsletter, please see

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Cape Cod Times, 1/10/05:

Do we have a deal?

I have a suggestion for the opponents to Cape Wind's wind farm proposal, which would cut down on 75% of the pollution of air/water in the larger Cape region.

We, the residents of Buzzards Bay, are willing to make a trade with opponents concerned about their precious view, although it is an enigma to me why Nantucket Sound is more important than the beauty of Buzzards Bay.

We take the wind farm and the resulting clean power it generates at stable pricing, quite happy to see graceful wind turbines in the distance. However, by doing so, you, the opponents, will have to agree to the following:

The barges carrying the toxic material to be burned in the Mirant power plant generating *your* electricity will have to go on the other side of the Elizabeth Islands, around the Cape, passing Provincetown, instead of conveniently by our view and through the canal (built by the US Army Corps of Engineers, whose integrity you call into question) and deliver its cargo by that longer and more expensive route.

We would take a wind farm any day over the daily passage of oil barges transporting and sometimes spilling bunker oil. Do we have a deal? **Inge Perreault**, Fairhaven

New Member Profile

South Coast Chapter's Gregory Smola of Dartmouth, MA

The South Coast Chapter was Clean Power Now's first organizing activity off Cape Cod; begun in April 2004, it meets regularly in New Bedford. Chairman Inge Perreault has been responsible for the Chapter's success. This article highlights a recent new Chapter member, **Gregory Smola**. Greg's background, involvement and comments are typical of those living near the sea or in a windy land location - wind power technology, potential and benefits are fascinating.

Greg is currently working on an educational video about wind energy for Dartmouth's newly assembled Alternate Energy Committee with committee member Joseph Sousa and the help of Dartmouth Community Television. The Committee was established after concerned residents asked Dartmouth Selectmen to initiate a technical group focusing on renewable energy. Greg envisions that the new 10-15 minute video will help area residents understand the need and benefits, and generate support for the Committee's plan to put a wind turbine at the town's Water Treatment Facility by May 2006. The turbine will be solely responsible for all the facility's electricity (currently supplied by NStar).

Greg is a 23 year-old graduate of Dart-

mouth High School, who earned his BA in Media Production at Quinnipiac University in Hamden Connecticut. Joining CPN sparked Greg's interest in Fact Sheets, articles, events and other information on our website. He said "the prompt application of renewable energy fuel sources is absolutely common sense, and

"The strength of our natural resources is amazing and we should harness that strength whenever possible!"

when compared to the effects of present fossil fuel alternatives, they become urgent"... and "should become everyone's priority". Along with interviews of the Dartmouth Alternate Energy Committee members, he plans to include images of the Hull Wind

Tower, the Bouchard Oil Spill, polluting area power plants, and European offshore towers in his video.

How would Greg feel if there were Buzzards Bay wind towers near his home? "I would love that. The strength of our natural resources is amazing and we should harness that strength whenever possible!" As for Nantucket Sound, Greg "feels the Wind Farm will be great, and I hope for fast progress to its being permitted".

Welcome to Greg and to all of our recent new members. Your attitude and commitment infuses CPN with broadened enthusiasm, capability and strength.

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Sound.

Clean Power Now is in the midst of a fundraising drive. Please support us financially in our efforts to promote the development of viable renewable energy projects that will bring about a healthier environment and improved economy for ourselves and our children. Any contribution is welcome and all donations are fully tax-deductible. Thank you for your continued support.

Matthew A. Palmer, PE,
Executive Director, Clean Power Now

Wells Fargo Mortgages Donate to Clean Power Now

Under the Sharing Advantage Program, anyone who purchases or re-finances a home with Wells Fargo can generate a \$500 donation to Clean Power Now! Wells Fargo is the #1 mortgage originator in the US and handled 1 out of every 7 mortgage transactions in the US in 2004. Wells Fargo Home Mortgage has also been the #1 mortgage originator in Massachusetts for the past two years.

If you are planning to purchase or re-finance a home, please consider Wells Fargo and support CPN at the same time. **For more information, please contact Steve Liedell at 1-800-301-2660 or e-mail: steven.j.liedell@wellsfargo.com.**

We Need Your Support!

Membership in Clean Power Now is free, but your contribution will help us spread the word about renewable energy. Because your gift will be matched, anything you give now will be worth DOUBLE to us. Please be as generous as you can!

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On **Saturday, May 21, 2005, at 4:00 pm** at the **Academy of Performing Arts on Main Street in Orleans**, Clean Power Now will host a **BENEFIT CONCERT** with the internationally acclaimed ensemble, **DUO LIVEOAK**, in a concert including the **WORLD PREMIERE** of "**HOW FRAGILE SHE IS**", a song cycle in honor of the earth, composed and performed by **Frank Wallace** on guitar, and sung by **Nancy Knowles**, soprano.

This husband-and-wife duo have toured widely throughout the U.S. and Europe since 1976, and have eight recordings to their credit, on Titanic, Centaur, Musical Heritage Society, and Gyre.

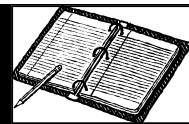
For sound clips and more information about Duo LiveOak, please visit their website at: www.duoliveoak.com.

Tickets are \$25 per person in advance/ \$30 (cash or check only) at the door. (Anyone 18 years and under will be admitted free). *Please mail your ticket request with a self-addressed stamped envelope and a check made payable to:*

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SAVE THE DATE!
SATURDAY, MAY 21st, 4:00 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



- **Saturday MARCH 19, 1–2:30 pm**, 1st Congregational Church, Yarmouthport: **CHANGE of COURSE: A SCREENING** of a new video by Liz Argo (Free/open to public)
- **Tuesday, MARCH 29, 7:00 pm**, at St. Mary's Church, Route 6A, Barnstable: Clean Water Action, Clean Power Now & Cape Clean Air present a community forum - **CLIMATE CHANGE: What It Means for Massachusetts & What Is Being Done About It!** (Free/open to public)
- **Tuesday, March 31: Deadline** for signing up to go on CPN's trip to Denmark
- **Saturday, May 21, 4 pm:** Benefit Concert with Duo LiveOak in Orleans
- **MAY 24–29: DENMARK TRIP!**