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"YOU can join The Energy Project."

"Reach 100 million homes with clean cookstoves by 2020."

*Learn more at [The Energy Project](#)"

*UN-Energy, created in 2004, includes 21 UN agencies with roles in energy."

Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

In this issue we introduce the new blog for The Energy Project, and announce a June 3 event at the United Nations on Malaria. Also, visit our "[Photo Gallery](#)" to view sets of photos, including of the Mid-Atlantic Conference / Members Day at the UN in February. Arnold Gallardo, Queens Chapter, did a great job of capturing speakers, audience and the Q & As.

Also, a student has asked for help in establishing a UNA-USA Student Alliance program at Mattituck Cutchogue Junior High School in Suffolk County. We can provide materials and e-mail information, but if someone who lives in Suffolk could volunteer to assist, that would be great. Please contact me at unasouthernny@gmail.com

I hope to see many of you at the upcoming UNA-USA Annual Meeting. To make our voices heard, be sure to invite your friends to Join UNA-USA and to renew your membership when it's due. (See the link at the bottom of th page.)

The United Nations needs our strong support!

Jeanne Betsock Stillman
Division President

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Division Launches The Energy Project

[The Energy Project](#) is a new project of the United Nations Association New York State Division. The project's Blog has just launched. Visit the Blog to sign up so that you can get updates on how YOU can become involved. Some initial information appears on the sections Clean Cookstoves, Climate Change, UN Energy and About Us.



Please send your ideas, suggestions and Blog entries to George Garland: gagarland@gmail.com or to unasouthernny@gmail.com

The project stems from a Division Board resolution passed on April 4, 2011:

"Resolved that the Southern New York State Division be a rallying point among UNA-USA chapters, divisions, and members to support grassroots involvement in the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves (led by the UN Foundation and as presented by Leslie Cordes at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference at the UN) and to engage UNA-USA chapters, divisions, and members in support of UN Energy which endeavors to engage more effectively the UN system in addressing the energy needs of developing countries as well as the need for less energy intensity in developed countries."

Under the leadership of Dr. George Garland, the Energy Project will:

1. Provide information on energy,
2. Promote selected energy projects,
3. Provide engagement opportunities, and
4. Build a listserv of interested participants

Invitation to June 3 Meeting on Public-Private Partnerships in Malaria Control

The UN Department of Public Information has announced a panel on public-private partnerships in Malaria Control, presented by the Roll Back Malaria Partnership, which might be of interest to some members of our Division and area.



If you choose to attend, please consider writing an entry about the event for the Division's blog and send it to unasouthernny@gmail.com

DATE: Friday, June 3

TIME: 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Registration open from 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.

PLACE: United Nations, North Lawn Building, Conference Room 6

This panel discussion will underscore the importance of Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in achieving goals in the fight against malaria, while showcasing key successes that demonstrate why PPPs are in the interest of all actors involved in the work of malaria control. Featured examples will include the World Bank collaboration with the Exxon Mobil Foundation to support countries under the Booster Program for Malaria Control, and Anglo Gold Ashanti's integrated malaria control partnership in Obuasi, Ghana that paved the way for the company to coordinate national scale-up as the first private company to perform the lead role for a Global Fund grant in Africa.

Entry Information for those without a UN pass: Enter at the Visitors' Entrance on 1st Avenue and 46th Street. You will need a photo ID.

Make your way through the security tent, leading to the registration table in the Visitors' Lobby where you will receive an event pass.

For more information:

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Need to Reinstate Westchester Model UN Conference (WestMUNC)

For 34 years, Hastings High School students have organized WestMUNC, a preeminent conference that brings together students from schools from Westchester, Long Island, New York City and beyond. This year the Conference was suspended by the Administration, allegedly for disciplinary reasons, to the detriment of the hundreds of students who participate annually.

The Rivertowns Enterprise has published a letter written by UNA Westchester President Marcia Brewster and Division President Jeanne Betsock Stillman to ask the school's Administration to re-instate the Conference in time for its 2012 35th session. For the text of the letter, see the [The Inside View on the UN](#).

ABOUT: Young Professionals for International Cooperation

[The Young Professionals for International Cooperation of Southern NY State Division \(SNY YPIC\)](#) was established in 2004 as a 100 percent volunteer-based group committed to serving young professionals in the New York metropolitan area. Its active board includes committees on Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean and Economic Development as well as committees on Membership and on Marketing and Communications. To meet some of these talented leaders, go to the website's About Us and meet [The Team](#).

SNY YPIC seeks to promote the missions and endeavors of the United Nations through various programs. Additionally, it serves as a forum for young professionals to explore issues surrounding international affairs and to become acquainted with the programs of UNA-USA.

Through discussions, partnerships, and action-oriented initiatives, SNY YPIC offers its members a platform for education, advocacy, professional development, and international service. The group consists of diverse individuals from the fields of business, law, public service, healthcare, and the media. To learn more, go to the [YPIC WEBSITE](#).

Join Here

Remember to renew your membership and be sure to invite others to join. Your voice needed to help promote solid US-UN relations.

Go to: [UNA-USA JOIN](#) - **On the secure website, for Chapter Selection, go to NY and choose #462 - S. NYState Division. If you're a young professional, be sure to check that box.** If you prefer sending a check to joining online, please print, complete and mail this [.pdf UNA-USA application](#).

Then help start a new chapter in an area that lacks one, or come to an event, or write a letter to an editor and to your congressional representative and Senators!

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