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Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

Today the **Social Good Summit** has completed two days, with some exciting presentations. I particularly was intrigued by that of Google Earth. The first-ever **US Youth Observer, Brooke Loughrin**, has been on stage, and a number of the Division's Young Professionals from the Division are attending. One more day to go - Go to www.mashable.com/sgs/ and you can watch on Monday afternoon and participate through blogging, Facebooking and tweeting.

This newsletter relates to the **Division's Energy Project**. You can help raise funds for projects that are bringing clean cookstoves and clean fuels to Haiti. Please see the article below and join in! Tomorrow is the 2nd anniversary of the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves, with a celebration in Manhattan.

Congratulations to **David Stillman**, a UNA-SNY Division Board Member and Executive Director of the Public-Private Alliance Foundation, which is working on alternative cookstoves and fuels in Haiti. He is the

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Grand Prize Winner for July of the **Marigold Ideas for Good Contest** and has won \$5,000 for the project and a trip of his choosing through **Road Scholar**.

With warm regards,

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Help Raise Funds for Energy Projects in Haiti

The Division's Energy Project invites you to assist cookstove-related energy projects in Haiti. These projects seek to improve the health of women and children exposed to noxious fumes from charcoal, help reduce deforestation caused by use of charcoal and wood for cooking, and create new jobs for sugar cane farmers and distillers who produce ethanol, others involved in using agricultural waste to produce briquettes, and in development of new markets. For more, see the [video on our website](#). (75% of total energy use in Haiti is wood and charcoal for cooking.)

1. **[Vote daily between September 19 and October 31](#)**

to help win \$50,000 for a cookstove and fuels project. This takes only a minute and costs you nothing! Vote at:

<http://www.cultivatewines.com/cause/32224>

This is a very real opportunity. Partner organizations include CDI (Community Development International, Public-Private Alliance Foundation, KonBit Pou Ayiti, Social Tap, Inc., and the UNA Southern New York State Division.

2. **[Register by September 28 attend the October 4 Public-Private Alliance Foundation Partners Against Poverty Fundraising Benefit in Manhattan.](#)**

[Click here to register](#). Division Board members David Stillman and George Garland have just returned from Haiti, where the Foundation has begun pilot implementation with partners on ethanol cookstoves and production of briquettes from agricultural waste. see: www.ppafoundation.org

In the photo below women who are part of the pilot have just received their stoves and ethanol fuel.



This Haiti-themed Benefit is hosted by **Resource Furniture** in Manhattan.
www.resourcefurniture.com

This exciting showroom is well worth a visit and a great place for an event! Resource Furniture's transformable furniture enables people to live comfortably in small spaces.

Expect Caribbean food and drink, and a Silent Auction. Sponsors include the Consulate General of Haiti, www.vedere.com, Barbancourt Rum, and others. **Selvish Capers of the New York Giants** will be a special guest.

JOIN NOW to become involved with the United Nations and important global issues!

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

Go to www.unausa.org/join: On the secure website, for Chapter Selection, go to NY and choose #462 - S. NY State 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, take a leadership role or write a letter to an editor and to your congressional representative and Senators! Or you can just support the United Nations through your membership.

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