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Dear UNA-USA Members and Friends,

[New York](#)

The Southern NYS Division will hold its board meeting and Energy project meeting on Monday, January 14, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm and 7:30 to 9:00 pm. If you would like to attend, please email me at: unasouthernny@gmail.com

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Registration is Now Open for our 5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / Members Day at the UN: **"The U.S. at the UN: Opportunities for Renewal," Monday, February 4.** See the article below for information on the program and panelists. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!

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QUICK LINKS:

Visit UNA New York Chapter's website for **upcoming events** in Manhattan: On January 14 - Forging Consensus: US-Asia Policy in the Next Administration. February 1 - PORTRAIT OF WALLY, a film In Honor of Holocaust Remembrance Day.

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UNA Women will hold an event on the Lifecycle of Violence Against Women on Friday, March 8 (International Women's Day) linked to the UN Commission on the Status of Women. See article below. If you are a UNA member, you can request a pass to CSW events by writing to Monika Johnson at mjohnson@unausa.org

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If you are not yet a member, go to www.unausa.org/join. You can join the Southern NYS Division (#462). If you live in

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the Mid-Hudson Valley or in Nassau County, we'll transfer you to those areas as soon as chapters start formally.

Also - see below an article on UN Peacekeeping.

Please feel free to write to me with any questions you may have.

With warm regards,

Jeanne Betsock Stillman
President, UNA Southern NY State Division

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The 5th Annual Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference / UNA-USA Members Day at the UN

"The U.S. at the UN: Opportunities for Renewal"

Monday, February 4, 2013

9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Morning keynote speaker: Jan Eliasson,
UN Deputy Secretary-General



Who should attend: UNA Members, High School and College Students, and members of the Public who want to learn more about global affairs and the United Nations.

PANELS: (And some surprises to come!)

Rio+20: Moving Forward

Moderator: Robb Skinner, Senior Director for UN Relations and Special Initiatives, UN Foundation

Panelists:

- Nikhil Seth, Director of the Division for Sustainable Development, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- H.E. Ms. Josephine Ojiambo, Deputy Permanent Representative Permanent Representative, Kenya Mission to the UN
- Eban Goodstein, PhD, Director, BardCenter for Environmental Policy
- Amb. Elizabeth Cousens, U.S. Representative, UN Economic and Social Council, and Alternate Representative to the UN General Assembly

Global Economy, Education, and Youth

Moderator:

Brenda L. Galloway Smith, EdD, Board member and Program Chair, UNA Westchester Chapter and Representative, World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women to the UN

Panelists:

- Kevin Cassidy, Communications and External Relations Officer, International Labor Organization, New York
- Selim Jahan, PhD, Director of the Poverty Reduction Practice with the Bureau of Development Policy at the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- (Another panelist invited)

Finding Solutions to Stubborn Conflicts

Moderator:

Jeffrey Laurenti, Senior Fellow, The Century Foundation

Panelists:

- Hon. Gerard Araud, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations
- Raghida Dergham, Executive Chairman, Beirut Institute and Senior Diplomatic Correspondent, Al-Hayat
- Jehangir Khan, Acting Director for Middle East/West Asia, UN Department of Political Affairs (invited)

If you have questions, email: unasouthernny@gmail.com

UNA Women

UN Women are hosting an official side event to the Commission on the Status of Women.

From Acceptance to Resistance: Changing Attitudes Surrounding Violence against Women- A Life Cycle Approach

When: Friday, March 8, 2013 at 2:30 PM

Where: In the Chapel, 1st Floor-Church Center for the UN-777 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

Moderator: Charlotte Bunch, Founding Director and Senior Scholar, at the Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers University and prominent activist.

Stay tuned for further details.

UNA Women will take a Life Cycle Approach about Violence Against Women, focusing on infants/children/youth; war & conflict and the displaced; and on the growing numbers of elderly. We look forward to seeing you there.

To become a Facebook member of UNA Women write to: tdyall@unusa.org <https://www.facebook.com/groups/304665996306645/?ref=ts&fref=ts>

UN Peacekeeping

(Article adapted from DPI/NGO)

The UN Public Affairs Section has launched the DPKO-DFS "Year in Review" campaign on the UN Peacekeeping digital channels, looking back at another big year in peacekeeping.

Direct links to some of the specific features of the Review are: The full-size interactive timeline (with photos, stories, videos, infographics etc):

<http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/news/yir2012-timeline.shtml>

Photo slideshow :

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/unpeacekeeping/sets/72157632267602915/show/>

Facebook/Twitter photo:

<http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/images/pk-collage2012.jpg>

This is the first year that the UN Peacekeeping 2012 Year in Review has gone real time with an end-of-year "Year in Review" online, and marks progress toward richer and more interactive content on the UN Peacekeeping website - aiming at Member States and international organizations, as well as the wider online public.

Please note, you cannot see the full timeline and other features if you are still using the old Internet Explorer 7. To update your browser to Internet Explorer 9 please follow this link: <http://windows.microsoft.com/en-US/internet-explorer/download-ie>

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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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