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Our Mission —

The United Nations Association of the USA is dedicated to educating, inspiring and mobilizing Americans to support the principles and vital work of the United Nations, strengthening the United Nations system, promoting constructive United States leadership in that system, and achieving the goals of the UN Charter.

Our Vision —

A world in which humanity is spared the scourge of war, human rights are honored, the natural environment is protected, and the United States is a constructive member of the United Nations for the well-being of all humankind.

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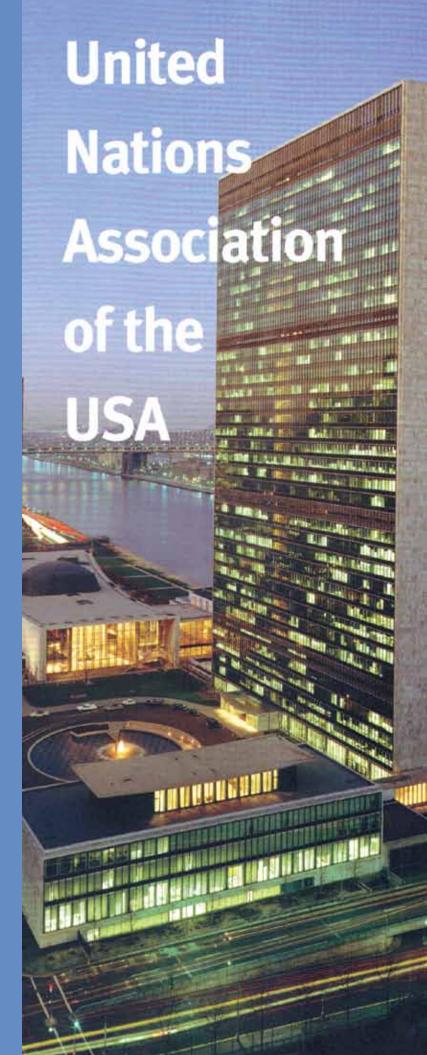
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Dedication



UNDP is the United Nations' global development network, an organization advocating for change and connecting countries to knowledge, experience and resources to **help people build a better life.** On the ground in 177 countries, UNDP works with them on their own solutions to global and national development challenges. As they **develop local capacity**, they draw on the people of UNDP and the agencies wide range of partners.

World leaders have pledged to achieve the Millennium Development Goals, including the overarching goal of cutting poverty in half by 2015. UNDP's network links and coordinates global and national efforts to reach these Goals. UNDP's focus is helping countries build and share solutions to the challenges of:

- Democratic Governance
- Poverty Reduction
- Crisis Prevention & Recovery
- Environment & Energy
- HIV/AIDS

UNDP helps developing countries attract and use aid effectively. In all activities, UNDP encourages the protection of human rights, **capacity development** and the **empowerment of women**.

The annual *Human Development Report*, commissioned by UNDP, focuses the global debate on key development issues, providing new measurement tools, innovative analysis and often controversial policy proposals. The global Report's analytical framework and inclusive approach carry over into regional, national and local Human Development Reports, also supported by UNDP.

In each country office, the UNDP Resident Representative normally also serves as the Resident Coordinator of development activities for the United Nations system as a whole. Through such coordination, UNDP seeks to ensure the most effective use of UN and international aid resources.

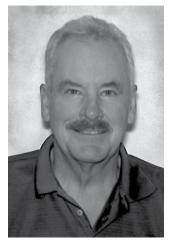
The Southern California Division UNA-USA salutes the work of the United Nations Development Programme as it works to make a real improvement in people's lives and in the choices and opportunities open to them.



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION of the United States of America Southern California Division

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November 5, 2011



Welcome to Pasadena! We owe a great debt of thanks to our Southern California UNA-USA Regional Representatives, division officers, chapter presidents, committee chairs, SCRCO, and many board members for your dedicated service and leadership. We can be proud of SoCal leaders of UNA-USA at all levels; local, regional, and national. Our ongoing partnership with the UN Foundation has helped us invigorate our advocacy efforts and reach out to younger Americans with partner programs such as Nothing But Nets and Girl Up! And the future looks even more exciting.

This year, I have had the pleasure of leading a great delegation of SoCal leaders to the June national meeting of UNA-USA in Washington, D.C., working with Past President Ardi Rashidi as a fellow Regional Representative to the Council of Chapters

and Regions Steering Committee, attending superior chapter events across our SoCal division, seeing the success of our division West Coast Global Forum in September, and joining several excellent UN Day celebrations in our chapters. Our division membership and finances are strong and we are poised for even greater effectiveness going forward.

Thank you for the important contributions to UNA-USA and our mission of strong United States support for the United Nations. It is exciting to realize that 86% of voters support U.S. engagement with the U.N. (bipartisan poll results, October 2011), showing that most Americans 'Get it.' I know you will enjoy a great meal, our program, sharing our achievements, and honoring our distinguished leaders today. Your ongoing leadership is key in supporting the United Nations work for human rights, environment, peace, health, and security around the world. It is an honor to be working with each of you to 'Help the UN Help the World.'

Sincerely,

Mel Boynton,

Division President

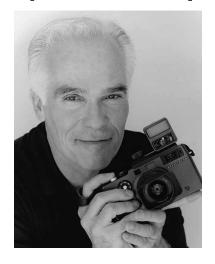
Southern California Division Region 11 UNA-USA **2011 Annual Meeting**

November 5, 2011

Agenda

11:30 AM	Welcome – Mel Boynton
11:35 PM	Secretary's Report – David Tuckman
11:40 PM	Treasurer's Report – Jim Stanbery
11:50 PM	President's Comments – Mel Boynton
12:00 PM	Vice Presidents Remarks - Judith Harris, Barry Simon, Mary McKenzie
	Lunch is Served
12:20 PM	Regional Representative's Remarks - Ardishir Rashidi
12:30 PM	Young Professionals Report – David Tuckman
12:40 PM	SCRCO Remarks – Ginny Hatfield
12:45 PM	Vote on Division Bylaw amendments – John Beynon
12:50 PM	Election of Division Officers and YP Regional Representative –
	Diane Gonzales
1:00 PM	Introduction of Keynote Speaker, Gil Garcetti - Judith Harris
1:50 PM	Q & A
2:00 PM	Chapter Reports and Honorees (5 minutes or less per Chapter) – Chapter
	Presidents or Representatives.
2:45 PM	New Business
3:00 PM	Adjourn - Time Certain

2011 SCD Annual Meeting Special Guest Speaker Gil Garcetti



Gil has spent much of his life as an urban photographer. His first photo book, *IRON: ERECTING THE WALT DISNEY CONCERT HALL*, November 2002, received much critical praise in the New York Times, Los Angeles Times, and other publications.

WATER IS KEY, October 2007, is a book about water, women, and wells in West Africa. It is a call to action to the industrialized world to become involved through NGOs in the region where plentiful supplies of safe water exist, but where nations do not have the resources to bring the safe water to their people. PEOPLE magazine (Oct 8, 2007) featured the book and the Christian Science Monitor devoted a full page to Gil's efforts in West Africa. (Oct 18, 2007).

Gil has had solo exhibitions at the United Nations, New York, National Building Museum, Washington D.C., Millennium Art Museum, Beijing China,

UCLA Fowler Museum, Virginia Center for Architecture, New York Public Library for Performing Arts, the San Francisco Commonwealth Club, Pasadena Museum of California Art, Barnsdall Art Park Municipal Gallery, Los Angeles County Music Center, the University of Southern California, UCLA, VIVA, Annenberg House, and other institutions and galleries.

In 2003, American Photo, named Gil one of the country's four master photographers. *TIME* magazine profiled Gil in a two-page article about his change from "high profile D.A. to stylish photographer." Photographs that "... are at once haunting and joyful." (October 2005) The television program, *CBS SUNDAY MORNING*, featured a segment in May 2006 about Gil in his new role as a critically acclaimed photographer. National Public Radio and other electronic media have aired many interviews of Gil in his role as a photographer.

Before becoming a photographer, Gil spent 32 years as a prosecutor with the Los Angeles County



Photograph by Jon Warren

District Attorney's office. He was the elected District Attorney for eight years. (1992-2000) In addition to overseeing high profile prosecutions such as the Menendez brothers and O.J. Simpson cases, Gil directed his 1100 prosecutors to focus their efforts on more effectively prosecuting domestic violence and child abuse cases and on specific programs designed to prevent crime. After Gil left the office, he taught a seminar entitled "The Interaction of the Criminal Justice System, Race, Politics and the Media." at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. Gil also a frequent speaker on his various photo projects and on the subject of "Career Change." He is the Consulting Producer to the TNT hit television series, THE CLOSER and had his acting debut in the opening episode of Season 6, July 2010.

Other books of Gil's include *IRON: ERECTING THE WALT DISNEY CONCERT HALL*, November 2002, *FROZEN MUSIC*, (November 2003), *THE CLOSER* (June 2006, Balcony Press), and *PARIS: WOMEN and BICYCLES*, (June 2010).

In Remembrance:

Reverend Richard Harris, UNA Leader Extraordinaire



Our friend Richard Harris brought passion, energy, and creativity to the UNA-USA for 30 years before his death in August at the age of 86.

Born in Massachusetts, Richard served in the U.S. Navy, WWII, 1943-1946, Atlantic & Pacific theatres; Normandy, France D-Day beach landing, June 6, 1944. Richard had a college and three graduate degrees and was an ordained minister. He leaves his wife Carole, seven children, and nine grandchildren.

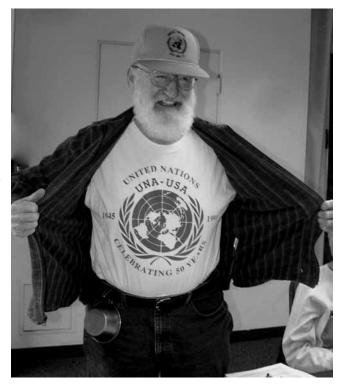
Richard began his involvement with UNA-USA here in Southern California (SoCal) and was Santa Barbara United Nations Association (SBUNA) President 1981-1984, Executive Director 1984-1988, including Producer of a weekly Cable TV show on the UN for 7 years and on SoCal Division Board of Directors. He

served the Hawaii UNA between 1988-1994 before returning to help lead the Pomona Valley chapter and the SoCal Division. Richard was UNA-USA SoCal Division Secretary 1994-1995; President 1996-99 (16 chapters); and Vice President 2000-11. He attended UN 40th Anniversary New York 1985; UN 50th Anniversary San Francisco 1995; and UNA-USA Annual Meeting or Convention every year and received the Arnold Goodman Award as outstanding lifetime volunteer in 2010. Richard met UN Secretaries-General Javier Perez de Cuellar,

Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Kofi Annan, and Ban Ki Moon.

Among his many contributions to UNA-USA, Richard arranged for speakers from the UN agencies, e.g., UNHCR, UNIC, UNDPI, UNICEF, et al. He coordinated the book of Children's Peace Poetry for UN International Year for the Culture of Peace 2000. Richard served as Host/Producer for weekly TV show on Claremont Public Access Television (CPAT). He provided networking & advocacy for the UN & UNA-USA. Promoting Peace vs. War – talking vs. shooting/bombing.

Those of us who were mentored, inspired, and loved by Richard Harris for the last 30 years will carry his passion and zeal forward for the UN, UNA-USA, peace, and human rights.



Richard in April 2009 proudly showing off his UNA-USA 50th Anniversary t-shirt.

Southern California Division UNA-USA Distinguished Achievement Award: Barry W. Simon



Barry was born and raised in Portland, Oregon the youngest of three sons. After attending the University of Oregon and graduating from Portland State University, majoring in business and psychology, he moved to California. The events of the 60's and 70's (assassinations, war, poverty, etc) moved him to want to make a difference, to improve the quality of life for all people. To that end, he began a career in financial services to assist his clients in achieving their financial goals. In 1983 he joined Morgan Stanley (formerly Dean Witter). There he endeavored to provide high quality investments and services to his clients as an independent investment consultant through Wedbush Morgan Securities, Inc. His investment expertise has allowed the Southern California Division to maintain the organizations assets in a profitable account with Wedbush.

Not willing to limit himself to improving his clients financial health, he began providing Venting Events in 1997 to give participants an opportunity to express their views, concerns and solutions to the issues of the day, thus contributing to making the world a better place. Venting Events, AcknowledgementPLUS workshops and Speak Out America forums are currently produced throughout Southern California.

Building on his desire to enhance peoples' lives, Barry has combined his life and career experiences to provide unique and effective personal coaching that inspires his clients to get into action, achieving their goals in record time. Barry's work providing the highest quality personalized investment services as well as facilitating cutting-edge corporate/community forums and workshops, creates an environment allowing individuals and organizations to maximize their potential in new and exciting ways.

While serving as the Southern California Division Vice President of Resource Development, Barry created the West Coast Global Forum. 2011 was the 4th in a successful series of public meetings exploring the pressing issues facing the world. Barry has brought together experts on subjects such as women's rights, environmental sustainability, and peace and justice. These forums provide the public with a better idea of the work of the United Nations, and create an exciting medium for encouraging an internationalist perspective to the policy debate on world issues.

Barry Simon is an active, dedicated member of our association, and we salute his leadership and commitment to the work of UNA-USA.

The San Fernando Valley Chapter UNA Honors Elaine Trogman



The San Fernando Valley UNA-USA is pleased to honor long-time member, Elaine Trogman. In her early adult years (25-30) Elaine traveled to 55 countries including India, Mexico, Canada, as well as countries in Africa, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East.

She has been involved in a local food coop and worked for the Los Angeles Food Coop Warehouse in support of the environmental movement of the 1970's and 1980's as Earth Day, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Clean Air and Water Acts took root.

After learning computer technology, Elaine volunteered to edit the San Fernando Valley Sierra Club newsletter with a circulation of 4,200 members. She also edits the United Nations Association, San Fernando Valley newsletter and works on membership and education.

Elaine has been and is one of our most active, effective and helpful members and truly deserving of our recognition.

The Orange County Chapter UNA Honors Jaclene Roshan



The Orange County Chapter wishes to honor this year's UNA-USA OC International Human Rights Film Festival Chair, Jaclene Roshan. Jaclene has brought a wonderful vitality and enthusiasm to our chapter that we all agreed deserved tribute.

She quietly attended her first Board meeting this year and sat back and listened. Soon she was our Advocacy Chair, Young Professionals Coordinator, and then she raised her hand offering to be the Chairperson for the Film Festival. This she did with grace and efficiency working closely with last year's Chair, Barb Tye, as well as empowering all of the Board members to help in their own unique ways and report to her for coordination. The result was a day filled with a most meaningfully balanced film festival centered around the theme of women's issues.

Jaclene is a UCLA graduate in Cultural Anthropology. There she served as Program Director for BruinHope, an international philanthropy

organization and Assistant Director for Project BRITE, an organization which mentors incarcerated youth. She enjoys combining her love for various cultures with her work in community development projects; as she spent the last year of her undergraduate study living in Thailand, both as a student in Bangkok and a researcher in the rural northeast, studying economic development within a rice-farming town. Her passion for travel has led her to study anthropology in South Africa and archaeology in Peru in addition to backpacking in over 18 countries throughout her undergraduate career. She has served under a number of roles throughout her college career, including interning as a research assistant for National Geographic.

In addition to her valuable work with the UNA-USA Orange County Chapter, Jaclene is a Quality Systems Coordinator at B. Braun Medical and a frequent volunteer for Orangewood Children's Foundation. Her future goals include serving in the Peace Corps, attaining a Masters in International Development, and working for the United Nations.

The Pasadena/Foothills Chapter honors **Meghana Frenchman**



It is with great respect and appreciation that Meghana is being honored this year. Meghana was born in Mumbai, India and raised in Tennessee. She went to Vanderbilt University for college, then attended medical school and internal medicine residency in Memphis. Meghana was a physician with the Veterans Administration for almost a decade and is now in San Marino in private practice with the Huntington Medical Foundation. Meghana is married, with two young sons, who are her "sweethearts."

Meghana has a long history of volunteerism beginning with tutoring young women in jail, while she was in college. While in medical school she mentored urban youth through Girls Inc., regarding career opportunities, their health and family planning. She also traveled to South Dakota to paint homes and learn

about the Lakota Indian culture. She is currently a physician for Young and Healthy in Pasadena.

Meghana began her journey with the UNA three years ago when Rebecca Haussling, from Pasadena Magazine and a current board member, told her about the organization. She then met Sherry Simpson-Dean, the Pasadena/ Foothills Chapter Executive Director at the time and in her own words, says "I was hooked. I love what the UNA stands for in our efforts to help the United Nations and remind Americans what the UN does and why it is vital to the world".

Meghana began as an active board member and soon was elected Secretary and for the past two years has cochaired the Women of the World Awards with Fifty/Fifty Leadership. She has contributed tremendously to every UN Day celebration and represented the chapter with eloquence and grace at the UNA Annual Meeting in Arlington, Virginia in June of this year. Meghana is currently serving as the President of the Pasadena Chapter and has exhibited outstanding leadership which is benefitting the chapter and community now, and will be felt for many years to come.

The Whittier Chapter UNA-USA Gives Tribute to Hans Holborn

for his outstanding leadership as Chapter President and gracious host of numerous fund-raising UNA events

Hans, a retired United Methodist minister, has a lifelong commitment to the United Nations that is deep and personal having been born in Germany but raised in the US during WWII. He continues to be an inspiration to our members, and his guidance helped create a course of action for our programs.

The Whittier Chapter salutes his dedication to our mission, and his tireless devotion to the pursuit of peace and justice.

San Diego Chapter UNA-USA Salutes its Women's Equity Council

Advocating for Gender Equity and the Empowerment of Women





A program of the United Nations Association of San Diego, the Women's Equity Council was established in the early 1970s. The WEC advocates and monitors the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action from the UN's 4th World Conference on Women in 1995 and supports the work of several United Nations agencies such as UNICEF and UN Women. As a delegate to the annual meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) at the UN Headquarter in New York City, the Council strives to become a true partner in removing the obstacles that exclude women and to advance laws and policies that promote women's rights, opportunities, and participation. All members of the council are professionals from different walks of life volunteering time and expertise. Three annual milestone events engage the local community in the discourse of gender equality: International Women's Day; Women's Equality Day; and the 16-Day Campaign Against Gender Violence.

"Prioritizing women is not a choice. It is a necessity."

~Michelle Bachelet, UN Women

Southern California Regional Council of Organizations Salutes **Suzanne Burger**



Retried from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona as Associate Vice President for Student Support Programs, Suzanne also served as the Educational Equity Officer for the campus. Prior to the time at Cal Poly Pomona, Suzanne was the Director of Institutional Research, California State University Los Angeles. While serving these campuses, Suzanne was Chair of the United Ministries in Higher Education of Southern California, and Chair of California Women in Higher Education.

Following retirement from the University, Suzanne was President of the Board of Directors, Southern California Nevada Conference, United Church of Christ (2 terms) and served as Moderator of First Congregational Church of Pasadena, UCC. Further service included President of the Ecumenical Council of Pasadena Area Churches and continuous board membership on the Southern California Ecumenical Council. She also provided leadership

among several civic organizations in the Pasadena Area: President, Zonta Club of Pasadena, President Council of Women's Clubs of Pasadena, President of the Women's City Club of Pasadena, Vice President of the Blinn House Foundation and President of the San Marino Guild and Volunteer Leadership Council of Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena.

In 2006 to 2008, she assumed the Chair position in the Southern California Regional Council of Organizations, an affiliate of the UNA-USA Southern California Division. "These NGOs bring a different perspective on advocacy and the concept of connectedness and balance in the effort for peace and justice. What a joy to serve this organization and the United Nations."

In Honor of the Division and all of Today's Honorees for their commitment to making the world a better place.

Thank you for your support!

Barry Simon 310-394-8368



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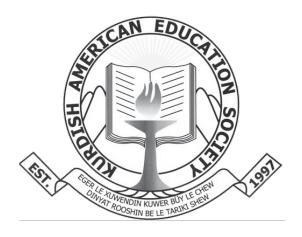
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Kurdish American Education Society

America! A Nation young in age and powerful in spirit, has for over two centuries stood as a bearer of the mantra of noble ideals that have inspired many people and nations to work for the realization of justice and liberty in many lands on the globe. The Kurdish American Education Society conveys the deep gratitude of the Kurdish people to all friends, peoples and nations who live and work to uphold these noble ideals for creating a better world of humanity for today and for the future.

Since its inception the United Nations membership has grown from its fifty one original members to the current one hundred and ninety three members. Each Nation joined the United Nations having experienced their own unique path to nationhood, whether newly emerged after war or old and well-established, large or small, weak or powerful, wealthy or poor; in order to have a voice at the World's most respected assembly, the United Nations, which was founded and operates on the principle that through peaceful dialogue and cooperation all goals may be achieved.

The Kurdish people, whose predecessors were the Medes, established the first regimented nation in the history of nations in 728 B.C. At this moment in history, the Kurds are determined to reincarnate the spirit of peacemaking, peace building and peace keeping in their own homeland, Kurdistan, and wish to extend the same to their neighbors in the extended region of Mesopotamia as they aspire to be the next member nation of the United Nations.

Wishing you all a Season of Peace,

Kurdish American Education Society

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Millennium Development Goals

Goal 1: Poverty & Hunger

Goal 2: Universal Primary Education

Goal 3: Gender Equity

Goal 4: Child Health & Survival

Goal 5: Maternal Health

Goal 6: Infectious Disease

Goal 7: Environmental Sustainability

Goal 8: Partnership for Development

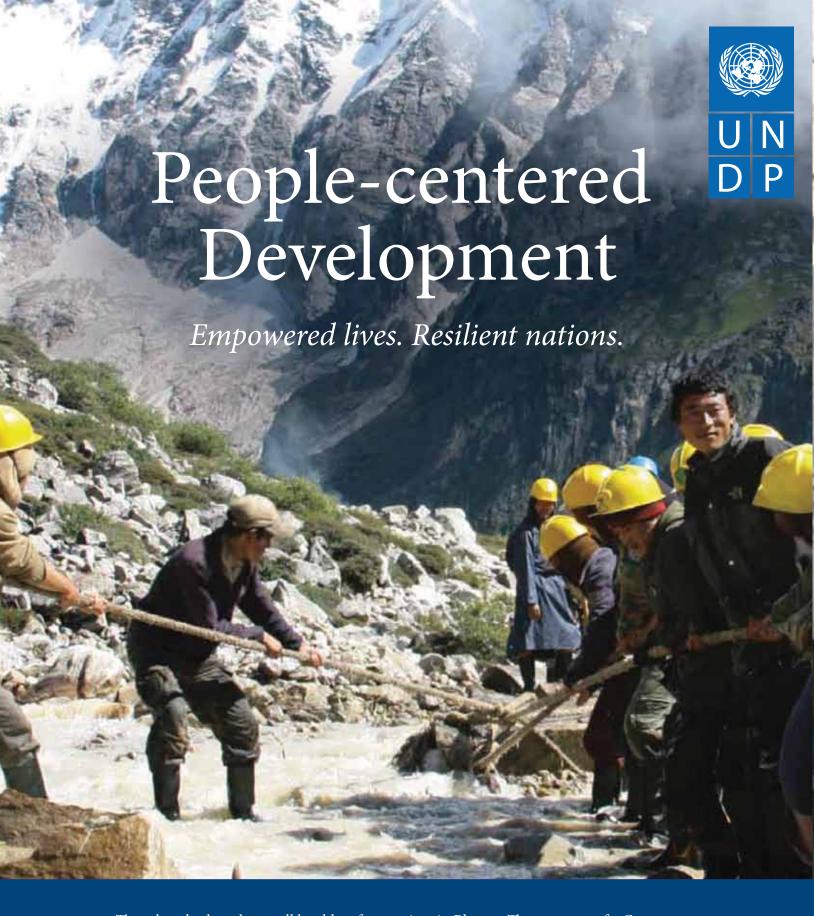
In Appreciation

The Southern California Division UNA-USA would like to thank:

Diane Gonzales, Judith Harris, Suzanne Burger Mel Boynton, Jim Stanbery and Shirley Williams for their efforts on behalf of the 2011 Annual Meeting.

Thank you!

For chapter and membership information please visit www.una-socal.org



Three hundred workers pull boulders from a river in Bhutan. They are part of a Government initiative— supported in part by United Nations Development Programme — to artificially lower Thorthormi glacial lake, which is threatening to overflow due to the rapid melting of ice and snow.