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## Westchester County (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated MARCH FACET ACTIVITY SUMMARY

**COMMITTEE/FACET NAME: International Trends & Services**  
**Sunday, March 4, 2018**

Links J. Boucher, B. Gundy, and B. Edwards at the Yonkers Riverfront Public Library, 12:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

On Sunday March 4, the Westchester County (NY) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated, joined Links from the Greater Hudson Valley, the Yonkers Public Library, diplomats, politicians, business leaders, Greek organizations and many local residents, to celebrate International Women's Day. Our Chapter continues to collaborate with **UNA- USA, Westchester Chapter** to implement this annual event. This event was held at the Yonkers Riverfront Library. More than 200 persons were in attendance. The keynote speaker was Loreen Bannis - Roberts, the Permanent Representative of Dominica to the United Nations. She shared her nation's struggle to survive after the devastation caused by Hurricane Maria last summer.

A moving speech was given by Karen Cheeks-Lomax, CEO of *My Sister's Place*. Councilwoman Corazon Pineda Isaac represents Yonkers City Council. She supports the improvement of the school system of Yonkers. The Greater Hudson Valley Chapter was represented by Link Brenda Smith. Link Brenda is the current Vice President of UNA Westchester. Andrea Stewart Cousins also gave remarks. A well-attended reception for all participants was held following the program. (See attachment)

The United Nations Youth Conference will be held on Friday, April 27, 2018. The theme for the 2018 UN Global Youth Conference has been established. Link Hazel Dukes sent the following message-

*The Global Student Videoconference, will be held in Conference Room 3, United Nations, New York. The briefing will link students in New York, the Caribbean and Africa via video under the theme:*

**"Remember Slavery: Triumphs and Struggles for Freedom and Equality".**

Please advise via email to me, or Link B. Gundy if you plan to attend. I must finalize the list by **March 24, 2018**. Mt. Vernon and Woodlands High Schools have sent their lists of participating students.