

## 2019 MAKE A DIFFERENCE PROJECT

Each year, our CC-UNA Council of Organizations chooses a “Make a Difference Project,” that provides an opportunity to impact an international need in concert with the theme of the UN Day dinner.

The theme of this year’s UN Day Celebration dinner is Climate Change.

We have chosen a re-forestation and tree-planting project to help mitigate the impact of climate change and climate warming due to the buildup of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) in the atmosphere.

Tree-planting--especially in areas where trees have been destroyed--is a recognized means of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere.

As trees grow, they help stop climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air, storing carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere. A tree can absorb as much as 48 pounds of carbon dioxide per year, and can sequester one ton of carbon dioxide by the time it reaches 40 years old.

This year we are working with ClearWater Conservancy to support tree-planting in the Central Pennsylvania Region. Additional information about how you can help ClearWater Conservancy will be provided at the dinner.



## United Nations Day Celebration



The Centre County UN Association  
and its  
Council of Organizations  
invite you to the annual

## United Nations Day Dinner

Sunday, October 20, 2019  
Ramada Inn and Conference Center  
State College, PA

**Distinguished Speaker**

**Dr. Tom Richard  
Presents**

**The Power of Renewable Natural Gas  
to Combat Climate Change and Help  
Save the Planet**



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION  
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Centre County Chapter

## United Nations Day 2019

Since 1945, celebrations have been held worldwide to recognize and honor the important work of the United Nations as it strives for development, security, peace and human rights for all.

The United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA) is a membership organization dedicated to inform, inspire, and mobilize the American people to support the ideals and vital work of the United Nations. For more than 70 years UNA-USA has worked to accomplish its mission through its national network of Chapters, youth engagement, advocacy efforts, education programs, and public events.

UNA-USA is a program of the United Nations Foundation and its sister organization, the Better World Campaign, and represents the single largest network of advocates and supporters of the United Nations in the world.

The theme of this year’s UN Day Celebration is “Climate Change“ Dr. Richard’s presentation will contribute to our discussion of this urgent problem.

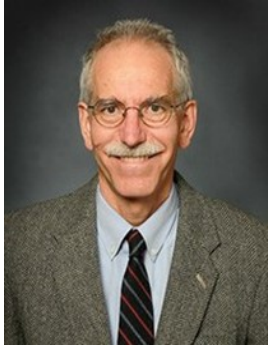
### **PROGRAM**

**5:00 - 6:00 Social Time**

**6 - 8:30 Dinner and Program**

Dr. Tom Richard  
Director, Penn State Institutes for  
Energy and the Environment

Dr. Tom Richard is a Professor of Agricultural and Biological Engineering and the Director of the Penn State Institutes for Energy and the Environment, where he supports over 500 faculty and students across the university working to address challenges related to energy, water, biodiversity and climate.



Dr. Richard is a leading researcher of sustainable agricultural systems that can provide us with food, bioenergy, and a range of ecosystem services. Dr. Richard's innovative research has applications to many of the urgent problems facing our society, including—but not limited to—the management of agricultural and forest systems as solutions to our climate challenge. These strategies, which include regenerative agriculture, forest conservation, and biomaterials and bioenergy production, can draw down atmospheric CO2 levels and reverse global warming. His research team is currently focusing on reinventing the natural gas grid to transport renewable natural gas, just like the electric grid now carries electrons from solar and wind.

## Centre County UNA appreciates the enthusiastic support of its Council of Organizations

*Altrusa International of Centre County  
American Association of University Women  
State College Friends Meeting  
Global Connections  
Hadassah  
Harris Township Lions Club  
League of Women Voters of Centre County  
Soroptimist International of Centre County  
St. Paul's United Methodist Women  
State College Area Family YMCA  
State College Lions Club  
State College Evening Rotary Club  
State College Downtown Rotary Club  
State College Sunrise Rotary Club  
State College Presbyterian Church's  
Mission Ministry Unit  
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship  
University Baptist and Brethren Church*

This event is co-sponsored by

Penn State Campus United Nations Advocates

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[www.unacentrecountypa.org](http://www.unacentrecountypa.org)

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## REGISTRATION

Please Reserve by October 14, 2019

**Cost of Dinner: \$35.00 per person**

To register, complete the form below  
and mail with your check  
payable to "Centre County UNA" to:

UNA-USA  
c/o Norma Keller  
178 Beastons Rd.  
Tyrone, PA 16686

- I/we will attend. Please list name(s), address(es) and email: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- For an additional \$35 I /we will sponsor an international guest to attend this dinner. Selection of international guests is aided by Global Connections.
- I would like to make a contribution to the Centre County UNA to support local programming.
- I am interested in joining the Centre County UNA; please send me membership information.

**Optional: Is there a person or group you would like to be seated with? We will do our best to accommodate your request. Please list:**

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Enclosed is a check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
payable to Centre County UNA