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**The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum  
presents an author talk and book signing with  
Sue Reich, author of  
WORLD WAR II QUILTS  
Sunday, May 15, 2016 at 2:00 p.m.  
Henry A. Wallace Center at the  
FDR Presidential Library and Home**

HYDE PARK, NY -- The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum is pleased to present an author talk and book signing with **Sue Reich**, author of **WORLD WAR II QUILTS**. The program will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 15, 2016, in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. Following the presentation, Reich will be available to sign copies of her book. This is a free public event.

From 1941 to 1945, most able-bodied women expended their energies to include work in the defense industry, volunteering for the Red Cross, planting Victory Gardens, and keeping the "home fires burning." These were essential activities of women on the home front. Many American women applied their skills in making quilts for the benefit of U.S. soldiers, either as gifts or as raffle items to raise money for good causes.

**WORLD WAR II QUILTS**, by Sue Reich, boasts 335 color photos with text identifying many colorful, patriotic quilts with military symbols and insignia. When possible, the original patterns and designs that inspired the quilts are included.

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**Sue Reich** began her love of quilting as a child at her grandmother's farmhouse in Northwestern Pennsylvania. Her interests expanded to historic documentation, appraising, lecturing and judging of quilts. As a nationally recognized author of six quilt history books, and the curator and keeper of focused quilt exhibits, Sue travels widely sharing her quilt research and knowledge.

Copies of Sue Reich's book will be available for sale after the talk. Please contact Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or email [clifford.laube@nara.gov](mailto:clifford.laube@nara.gov) with questions about the event.

### **Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum**

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