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**The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum
and the Roosevelt Institute present the
First Live Webcast 2011 Fall Forum:
“FDR’s INNER CIRCLE: DOMESTIC POLICY”
Sunday, September 25, 2011 at 2:00 p.m.**

HYDE PARK, NY -- The FDR Presidential Library and Museum and the Roosevelt Institute will present the **first live webcast 2011 Fall Forum entitled “FDR’s INNER CIRCLE: DOMESTIC POLICY”** on Sunday, September 25, 2011. This first program will examine the historical impact that FDR’s circle of close advisers had on the President and the New Deal, as well as to what extent modern presidents can and do rely on close confidants in an era of expanded government and more complex society. WAMC President and CEO Alan Chartock will moderate the panel discussion. In addition to house seating the program will be webcast live (www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu) with online viewer participation. C-SPAN will record the event. The program begins at 2:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. ***To register call Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745.***

The first two terms of FDR’s presidency were consumed by domestic affairs: from the flurry of action during the First Hundred Days, to the implementation of the many New Deal reforms that still affect our daily lives, to the so-called Court Packing Plan and the Roosevelt Recession of 1938, and on to the 1940 Third Term Election with its focus on preparedness for war. Meanwhile, Eleanor Roosevelt became a First Lady like no other, traveling thousands of miles to examine conditions across Depression-era America, to inspect New Deal projects, and to give speeches in support of New Deal policies.

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Throughout this period, there was a cast of supporting characters that helped FDR achieve this dramatic transformation of American government and society. In addition to Eleanor Roosevelt, there were names like Frances Perkins, Harry Hopkins, Raymond Moley, Henry Wallace, Missy LeHand, and Steve Early.

The program's panelists include **Alan Chartock (moderator)**, President and CEO, WAMC, Northeast Public Radio; **Adam Cohen**, author of *Nothing to Fear: FDR's Inner Circle and the Hundred Days that Created Modern America*; **Linda Lotridge Levin**, author of *The Making of FDR: The Story of Stephen T. Early, America's First Modern Press Secretary*; **Joseph E. Persico**, Historian and Franklin D. Roosevelt biographer; **Allida Black**, Executive Editor, fdr4freedoms Digital Initiative and Board of Governors, Roosevelt Institute; and **Ellen Chesler**, Senior Fellow, Roosevelt Institute and former Director, Eleanor Roosevelt Initiative on Women and Public Policy, Hunter College.

Don't miss the final 2011 Fall Forum:

Sunday, October 23, 2011

FDR's Inner Circle: Foreign Policy

Moderator: **Stuart Shinske**, Executive Editor/Director of Content and Audience Development, *Poughkeepsie Journal*; **Lynne Olson**, author of *Citizens of London: The Americans Who Stood with Britain in Its Darkest, Finest Hour*; **Douglas Waller**, author of *Wild Bill Donovan: The Spymaster Who Created the OSS and Modern American Espionage*; **Thomas Parrish**, author of *Roosevelt and Marshall: Partners in Politics and War*; **Allida Black**, Executive Editor, fdr4freedoms Digital Initiative and Board of Governors, Roosevelt Institute; and **David Woolner**, Senior Fellow and Resident Hyde Park Historian, Roosevelt Institute.

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For detailed information about each session or to register please call Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or visit the Roosevelt Library website's events page at:

<http://www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu/publicprograms/calendar.html>.

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Historic Hyde Park is a group of government and private non-profit organizations based in Hyde Park, New York. Each has a unique mission, but all are united in their dedication to extending the legacy of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt to new generations. HHP includes the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum, the Home of Franklin D. Roosevelt National Historic Site, Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site, the Eleanor Roosevelt Center at Val-Kill, the Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt Institute, and Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site. For more information about HHP visit www.HistoricHydePark.org.

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