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**The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum  
-- in commemoration of United Nations Day --  
will present "The Roosevelts' United Nations: Then & Now" with  
Linda Fasulo, Stephen C. Schlesinger and Gillian Sorensen  
October 24, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.  
Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home  
Call (845) 486-7745 to register**

HYDE PARK, NY -- In commemoration of United Nations Day on October 24, 2015, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum will present, "**The Roosevelts' United Nations: Then & Now,**" a free public forum. The program will begin at 3:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home. **Registration required. Call (845) 486-7745 for information.**

The panel of experts leading the discussion will include:

**Linda Fasulo** *moderator*

UN Correspondent (NPR, NBC News, MSNBC);  
author of AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO THE UN

**Stephen C. Schlesinger**

Fellow, Century Foundation;  
author of ACT OF CREATION: THE FOUNDING OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**Gillian Sorensen**

Senior Advisor and National Advocate, United Nations Foundation;  
Assistant Secretary-General for External Relations, United Nations (1997-2003)

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2015 marks the 70th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter. The UN was truly a creation of Franklin Roosevelt, and a legacy carried forward by Eleanor Roosevelt. FDR envisioned a world organization that would ensure lasting peace and expand the Four Freedoms to all parts of the globe. As the first woman member of the American delegation to the United Nations, Mrs. Roosevelt helped to establish our modern concept of human rights through her stewardship of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted by the UN in 1948.

But today, the United Nations faces great challenges and is often criticized for appearing weak or ineffective in its response to 21st century crises. The 2015 Roosevelt Library Fall Forum, "**The Roosevelts' United Nations: Then & Now,**" will explore the creation and history of the United Nations, its successes and failures, and ways in which it may best face the challenges of tomorrow.

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

Designed by Franklin Roosevelt and dedicated on June 30, 1941, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum is the nation's first presidential library and the only one used by a sitting president. Every president since FDR has followed his example and established a presidential library administered by the National Archives and Records Administration to preserve and make accessible to the American people the records of their presidencies. The Roosevelt Library's mission is to foster a deeper understanding of the lives and times of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt and their continuing impact on contemporary life. This work is carried out through the Library's archives and research room, museum collections and exhibitions, innovative educational programs, and engaging public programming. For more information about the Library or its programs call (800) 337-8474 or visit [www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu](http://www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu).

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