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**Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum
presents an Afternoon of President's Day Weekend Events:
MOVIE: *ABE LINCOLN IN ILLINOIS* (1940)
and DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY: *PRESIDENTIAL AUTOGRAPHS*
Saturday, February 16, 2013, beginning at 1:00 p.m.**

HYDE PARK, NY -- The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum will host an afternoon of President's Day Weekend events on Saturday, February 16, 2013. The programs begin at 1:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home with the movie, *Abe Lincoln in Illinois* (1940), the Academy Award-nominated film of Abraham Lincoln's pre-Presidential years written by Roosevelt speechwriter Robert E. Sherwood. Following the film visitors can view a selection of presidential autographs from the Roosevelt Library archives -- many of which are from FDR's personal collection -- **on display only once a year**. The presidential autographs will be displayed in the Wallace Center from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. These events are free and open to the general public.

**MOVIE: *ABE LINCOLN IN ILLINOIS* (1940)
1:00 p.m.**

The FDR Presidential Library will show the 1940 Academy Award-nominated film, *Abe Lincoln in Illinois* at 1:00 p.m. on February 16. Written by Roosevelt speechwriter Robert E. Sherwood, *Abe Lincoln in Illinois* is a biographical film which tells the story of the life of Abraham Lincoln from his departure from Kentucky until his election as President of the United States. The film stars Raymond Massey as Lincoln, Gene Lockhart as Stephen Douglas, and Ruth Gordon -- in her screen acting debut -- as Mary Todd Lincoln. It is based on Sherwood's Pulitzer Prize-winning play of the same name. *Seating is first-come, first-served.*

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DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY: *PRESIDENTIAL AUTOGRAPHS*

2:30 p.m.

Following the film, visitors can view original documents from the Roosevelt Library archives bearing the signatures of many of our nation's Presidents including: John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, Martin Van Buren, Andrew Jackson, Teddy Roosevelt, Harry Truman and John F. Kennedy. More than 30 signatures will be on display -- most of which were collected by FDR himself. **These rare documents are on display only once a year.** There will also be a short video presentation and family-friendly activities relating to presidential history.

Please contact Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or email clifford.laube@nara.gov with questions about these events.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum

As generations of Americans that have no personal memory of the Roosevelt Era emerge, it is more critical than ever that the lives and legacies of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt be preserved and presented to new generations. The Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum stands ready to serve as a visible and valuable resource for children and families, academics, policy analysts, and an international audience seeking to understand the past to make a better tomorrow. With a newly renovated building and new permanent museum exhibits -- opening on June 30, 2013 -- the Library seeks to honor President Roosevelt's vision in dedicating his Library to the American people. The FDR Presidential Library is one of thirteen presidential libraries administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. For more information about the Library call (800) 337-8474 or visit www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu.

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