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Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library,
Catharine Street Community Center and the Roosevelt Institute

Present the Fourth Annual *Eleanor Roosevelt* "We Make Our Own History" Forums
With Author Talks and Music Provided by Marist College Music Department
Benefiting the Catharine Street Community Center

2:00 p.m. on February 24, 2013 and March 10, 2013 Pre-registration required

HYDE PARK, NY -- The FDR Presidential Library, the Catharine Street Community Center and the Roosevelt Institute will host the fourth annual Eleanor Roosevelt "We Make Our Own History" Forums in February and March 2013. The first forum is an author talk and book signing with Cathy D. Knepper, author of "Jersey Justice: The Story of the Trenton Six," on February 24, 2013 in commemoration of African American History Month. The second forum, an author talk and signing on African American Women in the Civil War with "For Light and Liberty" author Hari Jones, will be held on March 10, 2013 in honor of Women's History Month. Both forums will begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Henry A. Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library and Home and will include an author talk, book signing, and music provided by Marist College Music Department. Proceeds benefit the Catharine Street Community Center in Poughkeepsie, New York and the education programs of the Roosevelt Library. **Registration required.**

Pre-registration and an admission fee are required for both events (\$25 per event; or \$40 for both). Call (845) 486-7745 for registration information. To download the registration form visit www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu/publicprograms/calendar.html.

On February 24, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., historian and author Cathy D. Knepper will speak about her recent book "Jersey Justice: The Story of the Trenton Six." Knepper is the author of "Dear Mrs. Roosevelt: Letters to Eleanor Roosevelt through Depression and War" and "Greenbelt, Maryland: A Living Legacy of the New Deal." The program will open with a selection of music by the Marist College Gospel Choir. Reception begins at 1:30 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m. on March 10, 2013, Hari Jones, Assistant Director and Curator of the African American Civil War Freedom Foundation and Museum, will discuss African American Women in the Civil War. Author of "For Light and Liberty: African Descent Spies of the Rebellion," and well known for his lecture series of the same name, Jones is one of the foremost authorities on the role of African Americans in the Civil War. The program will open with a selection of music by the Marist Singers Freshman Women's Choir. Reception begins at 1:30 p.m.

For information or to register call Cliff Laube at (845) 486-7745 or email clifford.laube@nara.gov.

Catharine Street Community Center, in Poughkeepsie, New York, promotes and coordinates educational, health, and cultural programming that enriches and enhances the lives of individuals, children, and families. Visit www.catharinecenter.org.

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.