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The son of a Kentucky frontiersman, Abraham Lincoln made extraordinary efforts to attain knowledge while working on a farm, splitting rails for fences, and keeping store at New Salem, Illinois. He was a captain in the Black Hawk War, spent eight years in the Illinois legislature, and rode the circuit of courts for many years. He married Mary Todd, and they had four boys, only one of whom lived to maturity.

As President, he built the Republican Party into a strong national organization. Further, he rallied most of the northern Democrats to the Union cause. Lincoln never let the world forget that the Civil War involved an even larger issue.

This he stated most movingly in dedicating the military cemetery at Gettysburg: "...that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

The NJ Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission in cooperation with the Hall Institute of Public Policy and four host institutions presents *Abraham Lincoln: An American Life Lecture Series*. The series will examine Lincoln's role as politician, statesman, and commander-in-chief, and integrate these public roles with Lincoln as husband and father.

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Abraham Lincoln

An American Life Lecture Series

**A Free Four-Part Lecture Series
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- March 22, 2010: Lincoln and the Civil War**
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- April 6, 2010: President-Elect Abraham Lincoln and the Great Secession Winter of 1860–1861**
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- April 15, 2010: The Lincolns: Portrait of a Marriage**
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Abraham Lincoln: An American Life Lecture Series

All four public lectures are free and start at **7 p.m.**

March 22, 2010

Lincoln and the Civil War

Speaker: **Dr. William Gillette**

Location: *East Brunswick Public Library
2 Jean Walling Civic Center
East Brunswick, NJ 08816*

Dr. Gillette will assess Lincoln's personality as well as analyze his presidency, with a focus on Lincoln as politician, as statesman, as commander-in-chief, and as a war leader.

April 6, 2010

President-Elect Abraham Lincoln and the Great Secession Winter of 1860–1861

Speaker: **Harold Holzer**

Location: *Brookdale Community College
Warner Student Life Center
Room: Navesink 1
765 Newman Springs Road
Lincroft, NJ 07738*

This lecture presents the greatest crisis America faced – the confrontation between North and South following Lincoln's election in 1860. Mr. Holzer will analyze the story of the secession, its threat to American democracy, and Lincoln's insistence on resisting compromise that would have extended slavery.

Note: Please consult the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission of New Jersey Web site, www.lincolnbicentennialnj.info, for updates and last-minute changes that may affect this schedule.

April 15, 2010

The Lincolns: Portrait of a Marriage

Speaker: **Daniel Mark Epstein**

Location: *Camden County College
Connector Building (Civic Hall)
200 College Drive
Blackwood, NJ 08012*

Mr. Epstein will discuss the complex Lincoln marriage and analyze the impact of this relationship on Lincoln and his presidency.
(Also simulcast at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey)

April 22, 2010

Abraham Lincoln: New Findings, Fresh Perspectives

Speaker: **Dr. Michael Burlingame**

Location: *The Richard Stockton College
of New Jersey
William J. Hughes
Center for Public Policy
Jimmie Leeds Road
Pomona, NJ 08240*

Professor Burlingame will discuss new data he unearthed that affects our understanding of Lincoln's private and public life both during his presidency and his pre-presidential years.
(Also simulcast at Camden County College)

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