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**Shaping Closter's Vision for Historic Preservation -- August 3<sup>rd</sup> at Closter Borough Hall, 295 Closter Dock Road, Closter, NJ.**

Closter, NJ – July 23, 2010 – Closter's Historic Preservation Commission (CHPC) and Planning Board are preparing the Borough's Historic Preservation Plan with a grant from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office. Heritage conservation planners Banisch Associates, Inc. (BAI) are helping the Borough in developing a plan for preserving historic Closter through a better understanding and appreciation of what makes up Closter's special community and neighborhood character.

Please join us for our second public workshop on **Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7-9pm at Closter Borough Hall** to share your thoughts on historic preservation in Closter.

CHPC and BAI will continue to gather feedback from the community through this workshop. Participants will hear the results of the first workshop, and start to develop goals for preserving historic structures and quality of life in Closter Borough. To help generate the cultural resource database, including oral histories or little known facts about the community, stakeholders are invited to contribute information through the project website <http://www.imhistories.com/closter>.

A draft historic preservation plan will be presented at the workshop, and the community will have an opportunity to comment. The final Historic Preservation Plan will be presented to the Planning Board and Borough Council in September 2010.

**Please join our discussion about historic preservation in Closter on Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 at Closter Borough Hall, 295 Closter Dock Road, Closter, NJ.**

On July 15<sup>th</sup>, participants will help in identifying historic resource conservation priorities that will shape the Vision for historic preservation and the Borough's role in the process.

BAI will demonstrate the Public Participation GIS (PPGIS) website, (<http://www.imhistories.com/closter>), where participants will learn about the project and how to provide their input directly through the website. PPGIS allows stakeholders to help generate the cultural resource database, including oral histories or little known facts about the community.