

# NEW JERSEY HISTORIC TRUST

*Annual Report 2007*



# *New Jersey Historic Trust*

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*Featured on the cover are images from the 40th anniversary celebration of the New Jersey Historic Trust and New Jersey Sites Council. Clockwise from lower right: Trust Chair Carolann Clynes welcomes party-goers; former New Jersey Historic Trust board members join the festivities; current Trust and Council members thank Senator Schluter for his remarks; Friends of Fosterfields volunteered to help with the event. Center: Fosterfields Historical Living History Farm was the setting for the anniversary celebration.*

# Commissioner Doria

Dear Friends,

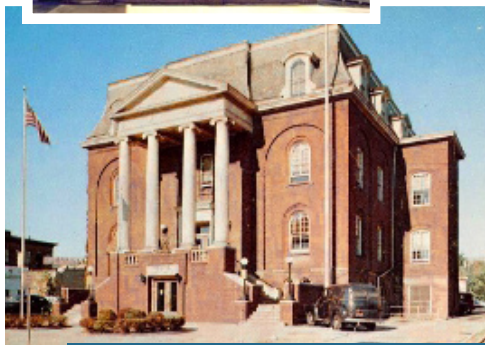
We are excited to present the 2007 New Jersey Historic Trust Annual Report, which illustrates many of the outstanding historic preservation projects that received funding during the year through the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

*A grant funded study of the First Aid Building will help the Borough of Spring Lake plan for its long-term use and preservation.*



In November, New Jersey voters supported a bond referendum that will provide one additional year of funding to the Historic Trust to fund additional capital preservation projects after funding from the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund expires in 2009. We thank all of the trustees who worked so hard to make this funding a reality.

This year also marked the Trust's 40th anniversary celebration of advancing historic preservation in New Jersey. Since 2000, the Trust has awarded nearly \$55 million to help preserve 324 landmark properties through the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund. This program continues the significant funding of the Historic Preservation Bond Program, which provided more than \$52 million in matching grants to 182 capital preservation projects between 1987 and 1997.



*The city of Orange received a planning grant to study the preservation needs of its City Hall.*

The 2007 Annual Report highlights many of the projects the Historic Trust supported throughout the year. The Trust awarded \$11 million in matching grants to support 61 capital and preservation planning projects, after receiving 148 applications requesting \$34 million dollars. These figures demonstrate the growing need of our state's communities for preservation funding and the continued enthusiasm for saving New Jersey's history for future generations.

New Jersey's historic sites symbolize our state's great past, present and future. Working together, we can preserve these treasures for generations to come.

With regards,

Joseph V. Doria, Jr.  
Commissioner  
Department of Community Affairs



# New Jersey Historic Trust

Dear Friends,

What an exciting year it has been! Celebrating the Trust's 40th anniversary was a milestone that allowed us an opportunity to reflect on the progress that New Jersey has made to identify, preserve, restore and reuse its many valuable historic resources. Many friends and colleagues gathered at the anniversary reception, and images from the event are featured on the cover of this report.

Another highlight was the Trust's first partnership with the New Jersey League of Municipalities. The Trust assembled an educational seminar that was sponsored by the League and attracted 100 participants. The audience received an outline of services offered by the Trust, the Historic Preservation Office, and Main Street New Jersey. They learned from Collingswood Mayor Jim Maley about how historic preservation and community redevelopment can compliment each other when municipal leadership is committed to making it work. The Trust plans to work with the League to develop additional issue-specific seminars.

A record number of open grants for capital and preservation planning exercises kept the staff busy throughout the year. Fifty-five Historic Site Management applications submitted to the 2007 grant round included many projects that met one or more of the year's special initiatives: developing heritage tourism, improving site interpretation, preserving urban historic sites and addressing long-term sustainability. The Historic Trust is seeing many quality applications for innovative projects that will help maintain, use and interpret New Jersey's historic resources.

In May, the board reluctantly accepted the resignation of Executive Director Barbara Irvine. Under her leadership, the Trust efficiently administered its grant programs, successfully assembled a strategic plan and worked with public and private partners to create new forums for historic preservation. The board appreciates Ms. Irvine's dedicated and effective service.

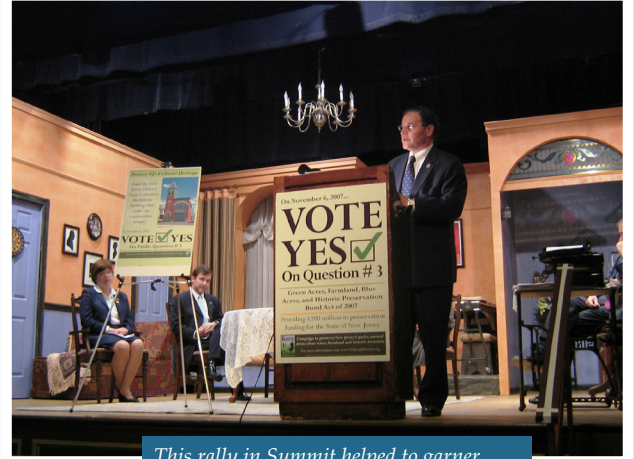
Finally, in November the state's voters supported a bond referendum that will provide one additional year of funding. This money will enable the Historic Trust to fund additional capital preservation projects after funding from the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund expires. I thank my fellow trustees who worked so hard to create public interest in this referendum, and I am gratified that their hard work was successful.

Thank you for your continued support of the Historic Trust's preservation efforts.

Sincerely,



Carolann Clynes  
Chair



*This rally in Summit helped to garner support for a voter-approved bond referendum that will provide an additional year of capital preservation grants.*



# Board of Trustees

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Board of Trustees, NJ Historic Trust

### **Carolann Clynes (Chair), Union County**

A professional real estate broker, former branch office manager and appraiser for 35 years, Ms. Clynes chaired the Summit Historic Preservation Commission in the 1990s when the community identified its 12 historic districts in preparation for the 1994 master plan. She spearheaded the movement to save Summit's Richardsonian-Romanesque Town Hall, which was built in 1892 and had been slated for sale or demolition.

### **Joseph J. Alessandrine, Jr., M.G.A., Cape May County**

Mr. Alessandrine is the township administrator in Dennis Township, Cape May County. A sitting Ocean City councilman since 1998, he continues to be a passionate advocate for the preservation of the Historic Ocean City 4th Street Life Saving Station. Mr. Alessandrine currently chairs the Trust's Education and Outreach Committee.

### **Thomas H. Brown, Ph.D. (Treasurer), Union County**

Dr. Brown serves as president of Union County College, where he is responsible for 37,000 students in 89 programs of study. Active in many community organizations throughout his teaching and administrative career, Dr. Brown currently serves on the boards of the Elizabeth Development Corporation and the Union County Economic Development Corporation. He also serves on the Education and Outreach Committee and is the Immediate Past Chair.

### **Daniel T. Campbell, Ph.D., J.D., Atlantic County**

Dr. Campbell is the historic preservation specialist at Somers Mansion, a state-owned historic site. Prior to entering the field of historic preservation, Dr. Campbell was a practicing attorney in his own firm for Burlington County and the State of New Jersey. He has a Ph.D. from Temple University, and currently serves on the Education and Outreach Committee and chairs the Legislation Committee.

### **Maia Farish (Vice Chair), Gloucester County**

Ms. Farish has served as an administrator and communications specialist for a variety of nonprofit organizations, including the Preservation Foundation of Palm Beach and the Nantucket Historical Association. Currently, she is leading the effort to restore historic Hollybush at Rowan University in Glassboro, New Jersey. Ms. Farish serves on the Grants and Loans Committee.

### **John D. S. Hatch, A.I.A., Mercer County**

Mr. Hatch specializes in historic preservation design and the adaptive use of historic structures. He is a partner with more than 18 years experience at the Trenton-based firm of Clarke Caton Hintz. In addition, he serves on the boards of the Trenton Landmarks Commission, Trenton Historical Society and Preservation New Jersey. Mr. Hatch chairs the Easement Committee.

### **Peter Levasseur, A.I.A. LEED AP, Camden County**

Mr. Levasseur is an architect and the director for sustainable design at Philadelphia-based EwingCole. A Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) accredited professional, he applies green building technology and practices on existing, historic and new buildings. Mr. Levasseur worked on the first LEED certified historic building in the State of New York and spent five years working on historic preservation projects in Washington D.C. He serves on the Historic Preservation Action Committee.

### **Deborah Marquis Kelly, Burlington County**

Ms. Kelly is a former executive director of Preservation New Jersey and since 1996 has been an independent historic preservation consultant. She is the co-author of the New Jersey Women's Heritage Trail and co-chair of the Chesterfield Township Planning Board, on which she has served for 18 years. Ms. Kelly chairs the Grants and Loans Committee.

### **Allen W. Kratz, J.D. (Secretary), Hudson County**

Mr. Kratz is manager of property sales and acquisitions for New Jersey Transit, which has 48 rail stations listed on the National Register. An instructor in Drew University's Historic Preservation program, Mr. Kratz is a preservation advocate in the city of Hoboken and currently serves on the Easement Committee.

### **Chris Perks, P.E., Camden County**

A civil engineer and president of Perks Reutter Associates who resides in Camden, Mr. Perks designs and manages a variety of surveying, civil engineering and building projects in Philadelphia and New Jersey communities. Active for many years with historic preservation organizations in South Jersey, he serves on the Grants and Loans Committee.

### **Elan Zingman-Leith, Cape May County**

Mr. Zingman-Leith has more than 25 years of experience in historic preservation, working for the NY Landmarks Preservation Commission and as a private consultant. With his wife, he is the co-author of two books on Victorian-era architecture and interior design. A real estate professional in Cape May, Mr. Zingman-Leith serves on the Education and Outreach Committee.

### **Former Trustees – Mary-Anna Holden and Ed Fox**

The New Jersey Historic Trust expresses its special thanks to Mary-Anna Holden and Ed Fox, who left the Board of Trustees in 2007. Ms. Holden served on the Trust's board for 10 years, and held the positions of Board Secretary and Chair of the Legislative Committee for much of that decade. Mr. Fox served on the Grants and Loans Committee and was instrumental in helping the Historic Trust complete its year-long strategic planning initiative in 2005.



*Chair Carolann Clynes presents retiring trustee Mary-Anna Holden with a gift of thanks.*



# *A Year In Review*

2007

## **Barbara Irvine Receives National Honor**

While executive director of the Historic Trust, Barbara Haney Irvine was named a 2007 National Women's History Project honoree for her efforts to preserve women's historic sites throughout the country. Ms. Irvine was among 14 individuals honored at a Washington, D.C. ceremony held on March 21, 2007 in celebration of Women's History Month.

Ms. Irvine is a nationally recognized advocate for the identification and preservation of women's historic sites. Prior to joining DCA, she founded the Alice Paul Centennial Foundation (now known as the Alice Paul Institute), and spearheaded a national campaign to preserve Paulsdale, Alice Paul's birthplace and home in New Jersey. She is also the founder of the National Collaborative for Women's History Sites, an organization dedicated to preserving women's history sites and interpreting women's history at historic sites throughout the United States.



*Barbara Irvine*

Founded in 1980, the National Women's History Project is a national clearinghouse that provides information and training in multicultural women's history for educators, community organizations and the public. Each year, March is designated as National Women's History Month to ensure that the history of American women will be recognized and celebrated in schools, workplaces and communities throughout the country

## Historic Trust Celebrates its 40th Anniversary

The New Jersey Historic Trust and Historic Sites Council celebrated their mutual 40th anniversary at a reception event in Morristown on the eve of the annual historic preservation conference in May 2007. More than 350 current and former trustees and council members, grant recipients, architectural, history and historic preservation professionals, and other well wishers gathered at Fosterfields Living Historical Farm to reminisce and discuss the new challenges that face the historic preservation movement in New Jersey.

Morris County Freeholder Margaret Norstrum welcomes speaker Senator Bill Schuller



To start off the evening's program, Morris County Freeholder Margaret Norstrom and Morris County Parks Director David Helmer welcomed attendees. Leslie Bensley, Executive Director of the Morris County Visitors Center, presented an anniversary citation to Historic Trust Chair Carolann Clynes and Council Chair Marilou Ehrler on behalf of Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen.

Keynote speaker and former Senator William Schluter described the environment in the early 1960s at which time the state's key historical agencies were founded. Marking New Jersey's Tercentenary, the Civil War Centennial and preparing for the American Bi-Centennial were occasions that encouraged leaders to establish statewide programs for historical research, historic landmarks and historic preservation.

Michael Murphy shared stories about his step father, Governor Richard J. Hughes, who signed the landmark legislation that created the Trust and Sites Council.



Michael Murphy, former chair of the Garden State Preservation Trust and stepson of Governor Richard J. Hughes who signed the 1967 legislation that created the Sites Council and Historic Trust, offered some personal anecdotes about Governor Hughes. When touring through Burlington County, Governor Hughes noted that

many farms were giving way to housing and commercial development and said, "I should do something about that." The story illustrates how historic preservation and open space conservation became part of his legacy.

In closing, the Trust's Executive Director Barbara Irvine read Governor Corzine's proclamation acknowledging the 40th anniversary of the two historic agencies.

From L to R - Maureen Leach and Betsy Holdsworth (Colonial Dames in New Jersey) with Anne and Joe Salvatore (Cold Spring Village and Wildwood Air Museum)



## New Jersey Heritage Tourism Task Force Begins Work

The New Jersey Heritage Tourism Task Force convened its first meeting in May 2007 to kick off an 18-month investigation and planning process. The Task Force is responsible for gathering information through public meetings, surveys of cultural and heritage sites, marketing studies and conducting analyses of heritage marker and signage programs. The end result will be a Heritage Tourism Plan that will serve as a blueprint for the state's efforts to increase and improve the heritage tourism experience in New Jersey.

*Cate Litvack explains the goals of the NJ Heritage Tourism Task Force.*



The Task Force, created through legislation sponsored by Senator Barbara Buono and Assemblyman Jeff Van Drew, is charged with improving New Jersey's performance in the regional and national heritage tourism market. The 17 members include Chair Cate Litvack, Executive Director of the Crossroads of the American Revolution Association, and two vice-chairs - Leslie Bensley, Executive Director of the Morris County Visitors Center and John Seitter, President of the South Jersey Tourism Corporation.

The executive director of the Historic Trust serves on the Task Force, whose work is funded by revenue from the "Discover NJ History" license plate that is available from the Motor Vehicle Commission. When the heritage tourism plan is complete, remaining money will be distributed through a grant program administered by the NJ Historic Trust to help implement the Task Force's recommendations.



*The New Jersey Heritage Tourism Task Force begins work at the Old Barracks in Trenton.*



## New Jersey Historic Trust Grant Recipients Receive Preservation Honors

During Historic Preservation Month in May, the Historic Preservation Office honors the best examples of historic preservation in New Jersey. Three award winning projects in 2007 were funded in part with grants from the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund, which is administered by the New Jersey Historic Trust:

### *Eversole Hall House, Readington Township, Hunterdon County*

The Eversole-Hall House is a rural, vernacular 18th century structure that is interpreted as a home and shop with a small family farm. In 1988, Readington Township purchased the property, which now serves as a museum and living history site for school groups, and hosts horticultural and archaeology programs.



*Eversole Hall House in Readington*

A Trust grant of \$42,660 helped to fund the preparation of a 2003 conditions assessment and subsequent construction work that included roof repair and replacement, porch stabilization, window rehabilitation, clapboard and shingle repair and painting. A paint analysis of the property uncovered blue house paint dating to the early 19th century, which was considered unusual for the time and style of the home.



*Roebbling Mansion in Trenton, now the headquarters of the League of Municipalities*

### *Roebbling Mansion, Trenton City, Mercer County*

The Ferdinand Roebbling Mansion is the last remaining residence in the city associated with the Roebbling family, producers of wire rope that helped make Trenton a major industrial center. Built c.1856, possibly in a Greek or Italianate style, the structure was remodeled c. 1870, and a distinctive octagonal, paneled room was added. Located in the State House Historic District, the mansion was vacant for 30 years until the city sold the building to the League of Municipalities for its new headquarters in 2005.

A Trust grant of \$750,000 helped fund the restoration of the building's stucco and brick exterior, roof replacement, stabilization of the building and preservation of at least three rooms in the mansion by salvaging and restoring mantels, plaster, paneling, stained glass, doors, hardware and ironwork. The octagonal library was reconstructed. The preservation project was part of a \$5 million effort that included the construction of a three-story addition and parking facility.

*The Castle at Felician College, Rutherford Borough, Bergen County*

The Castle at Felician College is the only 19th century resource on the campus of mid-20th century buildings. First constructed in 1869 and expanded in 1887, the mansion has projecting bays, towers and balconies, and the interior features exquisite mantelpieces and stained glass windows.

A \$750,000 matching grant from the Trust helped to fund planning documents and the exterior restoration including cleaning and repointing of masonry, chimney restoration, skylight replacement, repair and installation of clay tile roofing, window repair, decorative metal restoration and repairs to all exterior doors.

The building is now the focal point of the Felician College Rutherford Campus and will be open for campus use after completion of the next phase of construction to rehabilitate the interior for use a student center.





Architect Michael Mills talked about the restoration of Mead Hall on the Drew University campus. The project was funded in part by with a Trust grant.



Trustee John Hatch celebrates the unveiling of new wayside signage the Mountain Lakes Dam site in Princeton.



Chair Carolann Clynes presents a ceremonial check to the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany in where...



A tour of the Drew University Campus that was coordinated by the NJ Historic Trust staff was a feature of the 2007 Historic Preservation Conference in Madison.



Trustee Jody Alessandrino presents a ceremonial check to the Borough of Manasquan in support of preserving the Life Saving Station.

## Education and Outreach Events

Staff continued outreach to new audiences, presenting workshops and providing reference materials at a number of events:

- Preservation New Jersey's annual meeting in Montclair
- New Jersey Parks and Recreation regional meeting in Cherry Hill
- Pineland Preservation Alliance Workshop in Medford
- History Issues Convention in Trenton
- Best Practices Workshops in Piscataway and Somerville
- League of Municipalities Seminar in Holmdel
- Workshop for 2007 Grant Applicants in Bordentown
- Historic Preservation Conference in Madison
- Workshop for 2006 Grantees in Lakewood
- Preservation New Jersey's Workshop for Properties at Risk
- Best Practices Workshops in Somerville and Camden
- Historical Commission Annual Conference
- Patriot's Week in Trenton – Lecture on Washington and Rochambeau Revolutionary Route

From October 1, 2006 to September 30, 2007, the Trust approved reimbursement requests totaling more than \$4.1 million in support of preservation projects in the state.



# Completed Projects

2007

## Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund Completed Projects

The following six projects closed last year, while more than 80 other preservation planning and construction projects were underway.

### Historic Site Management Grants

*Historic Site Management Grants support planning exercises that promote effective management at historic sites. Such work may include the preparation of construction documents, building conditions assessments, preservation plans, historic structure reports, engineering assessments, heritage tourism plans, accessibility studies, feasibility studies, fundraising plans and more.*

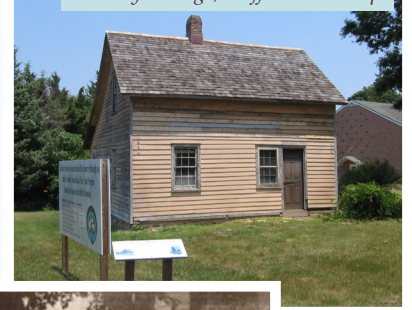
**Stafford Township, Ocean County** - received \$14,715 to fund the preparation of a preservation plan for the Cavalry Cottage in Manahawkin.

**Mercer County** - received \$50,000 to fund the preparation of a historic structure report for the Phillips House at Howell Living History Farm in Titusville.

**Stockton Borough, Hunterdon County** - received \$22,462 to fund the preparation of a preservation plan for the District 98 Schoolhouse, which is still an active school.

**Colonial Dames of America in New Jersey, Westampton, Burlington County** - received \$49,155 to fund a vision plan for the use, interpretation and preservation of Peachfield, a Colonial Revival era historic house and 18th century one-room school.

Cavalry Cottage, Stafford Township



Historic view of the Henry Phillips House at Howell Living History Farm, Titusville

District 98 Schoolhouse, Stockton



Peachfield, Westampton

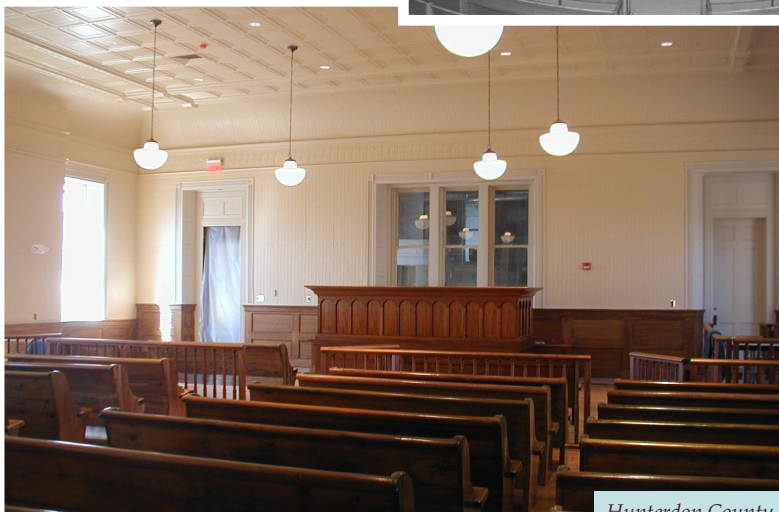
## Capital Preservation Grants

*Capital Preservation Grants help support the 'bricks and mortar' repair, preservation, restoration and adaptive use construction work necessary to maintain historic properties.*

**YWCA of Plainfield/North Plainfield, Union County** - received a \$200,000 matching grant to fund the restoration of a historic theater space that is now used by the Early Childhood Development Center.

**Hunterdon County Courthouse, Flemington Borough, Hunterdon County** - received a \$750,000 matching grant to fund the restoration of historic interior spaces, including the courtroom where the Lindbergh kidnapping case was tried.

*Hunterdon County Courthouse, before restoration*



*Hunterdon County Courthouse in Flemington, after restoration*

# Grants Awarded

## 2007

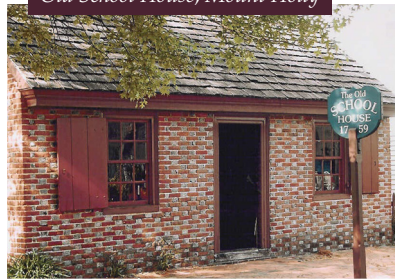
### 2007 Grants From the Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund

#### Bergen County

**New York-New Jersey Trail Conference**, Mahwah - \$50,000 for the preparation of construction documents for the rehabilitation of the Darlington Schoolhouse for nonprofit offices.

**Felician College**, Rutherford - \$750,000 for interior rehabilitation of The Castle for offices and community space.

Old School House, Mount Holly



#### Burlington County

**Burlington County Historical Society**, Burlington City - \$24,000 for the development of a walking tour.

**Maple Shade Township**, Maple Shade - \$35,813 the preparation of a preservation plan and National Register nomination for Chesterford School.



Children visit the Old School House, Mount Holly

**Mount Holly Monthly Meeting Religious Society of Friends**, Mount Holly - \$35,287 for a structural investigation and preparation of construction drawings.

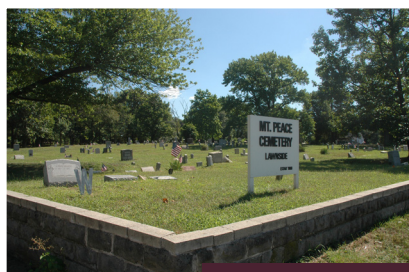
**Calvary Presbyterian Church**, Riverton - \$14,494 for the preparation of a preservation plan.

**National Society of the Colonial Dames of America, State of NJ**, Westampton - \$5,139 for a National Register nomination and historic research on the Old School House, Mount Holly.

#### Camden County

**South Jersey Tourism Corporation**, Camden - \$50,000 for the preparation of a historic structure report for the James Still Office in Medford.

**Lawnside Historical Society, Inc.**, Lawnside - \$13,632 for a site assessment and maintenance plan for the Mount Peace Cemetery.



Mount Peace Cemetery, Lawnside



Franklin Street School, Cape May



## Cape May County

**Naval Air Station Wildwood Aviation Museum, Cape May** - \$103,784 for the exterior restoration of Hangar No. 1.

**Center for Community Arts, Inc., Cape May** - \$750,000 for the exterior restoration and interior rehabilitation of the Franklin Street School as a community arts center.

**North Wildwood City, North Wildwood** - \$120,000 for interior rehabilitation and improvements to Hereford Inlet Light Station.

## Cumberland County

**First Presbyterian Church, Bridgeton** - \$100,000 for the structural stabilization of the Fairfield "Old Broad Street Church."

Greenwood Gardens, Milburn



## Essex County

**Greenwood Gardens, Milburn** - \$750,000 for the stabilization and restoration of various garden structures.

**Newark Gospel Tabernacle, Newark** - \$30,000 for roof restoration of the Stanley Theater.

**Community Agencies Corporation of NJ, Newark** - \$500,000 for the rehabilitation of the Feigenspan Mansion for nonprofit offices.

**Lincoln Park/Coast Cultural District, Inc., Newark** - \$300,000 for the structural stabilization of the South Park Calvary Presbyterian Church façade.

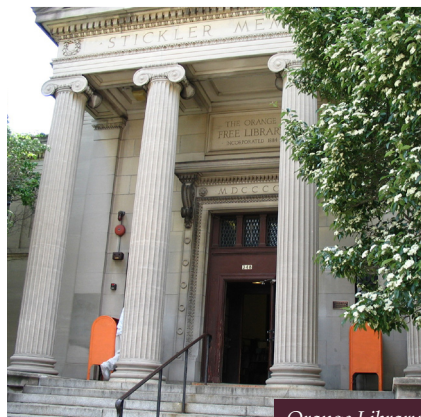
**Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, Orange** - \$27,750 for the preparation of a preservation plan.

**Orange City** - \$43,758 for the preparation of a preservation plan for the city hall.

**Orange Public Library, Orange** - \$750,000 for the restoration and rehabilitation of the library.

**Citizens Committee of the Presbyterian Memorial Iris Gardens, Upper Montclair** - \$49,500 for the preparation of a strategic plan for the care and management of the Walther House and Gardens.

Feigenspan Mansion, Newark



Orange Library, Orange

*Historic view of Apple Tree - Van Wagenen House, Jersey City*

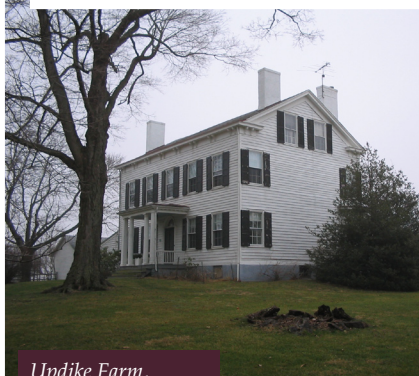


## Hudson County

**United Synagogue of Hoboken, Hoboken** - \$280,707 for the exterior restoration of the Star of Israel Synagogue.

**Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, Jersey City** - \$33,990 for masonry restoration.

**Jersey City Division of Architecture, Jersey City** - \$575,000 for interior restoration and accessibility improvements to the Apple Tree House.



*Updike Farm,  
Princeton Township*

## Hunterdon County

**West Portal Historical Society, Inc., Asbury** - \$13,000 for the roof restoration of the former Bethlehem Township Hall.

**Hunterdon Land Trust Alliance, Flemington** - \$50,000 for the preparation of a site master plan.

## Mercer County

**Mercer County Planning Division, Hopewell** - \$48,750 for the preparation of a use feasibility study for the Upper Bellemont Farm.

**Princeton Historical Society, Princeton** - \$605,825 for the repair and rehabilitation of the Updike Farm for nonprofit administrative offices.

**First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, Trenton** - \$50,000 for the preparation of a preservation plan and structural assessment.

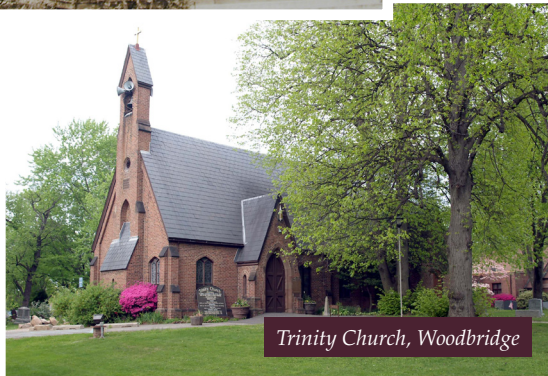
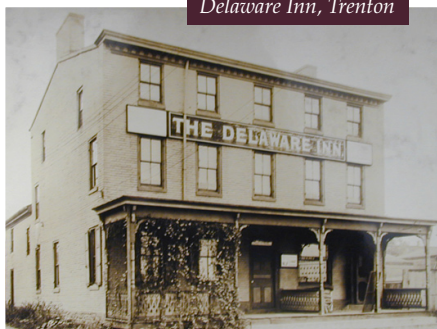
**Port of Trenton Museum Foundation, Inc., Trenton** - \$50,000 for the preparation of a preservation plan and National Register nomination for the Delaware Inn.

**Trenton Free Public Library, Trenton** - \$37,434 for the preparation of a preservation plan for the Main Public Library.

## Middlesex County

**Trinity Episcopal Church, Woodbridge** - \$49,955 for the preparation of a preservation plan and construction documents.

*Historic view of the  
Delaware Inn, Trenton*



*Trinity Church, Woodbridge*



## Monmouth County

**Manasquan Borough, Manasquan** - \$450,000 for the restoration and rehabilitation of the Squan Beach Life Saving Station for meeting and exhibit space.

*Squan Beach Life Saving Station, Manasquan*



**First Presbyterian Church of Rumson, Rumson** - \$83,333 for exterior repair and restoration.

**Christ Episcopal Church, Shrewsbury** - \$50,000 for stained glass restoration.

**Spring Lake Borough, Spring Lake** - \$46,125 for the preparation of a preservation plan for the First Aid and Emergency Building.

## Morris County

**Harding Township, Harding** - \$750,000 for the restoration and rehabilitation of Glen Alpin for community use.

**Presbyterian Church of Madison, Madison** - \$29,300 for the preparation of a preservation plan.

**Madison Borough, Madison** - \$660,719 for restoration and rehabilitation of the Hartley Dodge Memorial.

**Community of St. John Baptist, Mendham** - \$560,202 for the restoration of exterior masonry.

**Roxbury Historical Trust, Inc., Roxbury** - \$49,051 for the preparation of a historic structure report for the King Store and Homestead.

**Wharton Borough, Wharton** - \$37,424 for the preparation of a master plan for Morris Canal Lock 2 East.

## Ocean County

**Stafford Township Historical Society, Manahawkin** - \$50,000 for structural investigation and preparation of construction drawings for the Old Manahawkin Baptist Church.

**Plumsted Township, New Egypt** - \$16,920 for the preparation of a preservation plan for Singleton Farm.

## Salem County

**Salem Old House Foundation, Salem** - \$42,027 for the installation of fire detection and suppression equipment at Abel Nicholson House.

**Salem County Historical Society, Salem** - \$75,000 for the rehabilitation of the Alphonso Eakin House for meeting and exhibit space.



*King Homestead, Roxbury*



## **Somerset County**

**Heritage Trail Association**, Bound Brook - \$38,740 for the preparation of a CD tour of heritage sites.

**Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the U.S.A.**, Bound Brook - \$27,337 for the preparation of a preservation plan for the Hendrick Fisher House.

**Hillsborough Township**, Hillsborough - \$50,000 for the preparation of design development documents for the Van der veer-Harris House.

**First Reformed Church of Rocky Hill**, Rocky Hill - \$19,372 for an engineering assessment.

**South Bound Brook Historic Commission**, South Bound Brook - \$469,578 for the exterior restoration of the Abraham Staats House.

## **Union County**

**First Presbyterian Church**, Elizabeth - \$750,000 for exterior restoration.

**Fanwood Borough**, Fanwood - \$30,000 for assessment of financial and legal structure of a model transfer of development rights program.

**First Unitarian Society of Plainfield**, Plainfield - \$41,033 for the preparation of a preservation plan.

**Plainfield Historical Society**, Plainfield - \$177,985 for the interior rehabilitation of the Nathaniel Drake House.

**Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Frazee House, Inc.**, Scotch Plains - \$22,824 for archaeology, preparation of construction documents and a National Register nomination for the Elizabeth and Gersham Frazee House.

**Playhouse Association, Inc.**, Summit - \$6,713 for the preparation of a National Register nomination for the historic Summit Theater, the former Summit Library.

**Liberty Hall Foundation**, Union - \$199,612 for roof restoration of the Carriage House at Liberty Hall.

## **Warren County**

**Canal Society of New Jersey**, Allamuchy - \$38,888 for the preparation of a feasibility study for Morris Canal Locks 4 to 5.

**Harmony Township Historic Preservation Commission**, Harmony - \$50,000 for the preparation of a historic structure report for the Hoff-Vannatta Farm.

**Saint Luke's Episcopal Church**, Hope - \$25,108 for exterior restoration.

# Grants & Loans

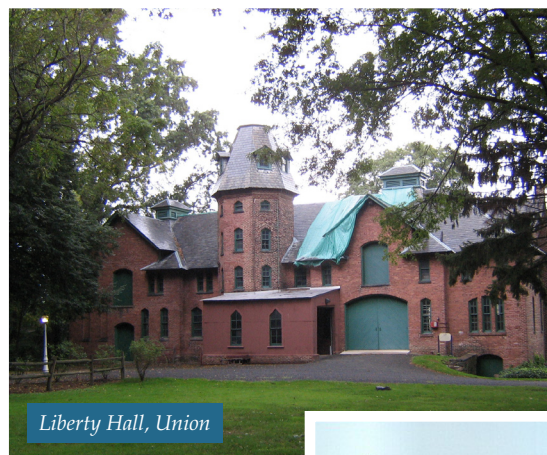
## 2007

### Revolving Loan Fund Recipient

#### Liberty Hall

In January 2007, the New Jersey Legislature approved the Trust's recommendation to loan \$56,835 to the Liberty Hall Museum in Union County. The money will help pay for repairs to the roof of the Carriage House. The structure was built in the late 19th century and expanded in the early 20th century to provide a car shed.

The carriage house is a contributing feature to the Liberty Hall Museum in Union. Built on the eve of the Revolution, Liberty Hall was home to the prominent Livingston and Kean families from whom came many important New Jersey leaders, including William Livingston, the state's first governor. The house was occupied until the 1960s and restored by Mary Alice Kean in 1974, but has since deteriorated. The historic house is a public museum and the grounds and gardens are also open to the public. The first floor of the carriage house exhibits a collection of carriages and is also used for public educational programs.



### Emergency Grant and Loan Fund Recipient

#### Polhemus House

In September 2007, the Historic Trust's board approved an Emergency Grant in the amount of \$10,000 for stabilization work at the Polhemus House, owned by the Newark Museum Association. The money will help fund construction of a temporary waterproof structure around the skylight, temporary roofing on additions, flashing over parapet walls, chimney caps, and temporary window coverings. The entire project cost is estimated at \$87,000.

The Polhemus House is a four-story brick and brownstone townhouse, built c. 1860 for Eliza Brodhead Heyer Polhemus, widow of the first minister of the North Reformed Dutch Church of Newark. It is the only mid-19th century row house remaining in the James Street Commons Historic District. In 1906 the interior was redecorated by the Associated Artists, the decorative arts firm founded by Candace Wheeler and Louis Tiffany. While the building was owned by the city, the structure suffered deferred maintenance and was vacated in 2004. Now owned by the Museum, the stabilization effort is designed to prevent further deterioration of interior finishes caused by water infiltration until the Museum can thoroughly assess the building's condition and design a plan to preserve and utilize the structure.



# *New Jersey Historic Trust*

The Mission of the Trust is to advance historic preservation in New Jersey for the benefit of future generations through education, stewardship and financial investment programs that save our heritage and strengthen our communities.

The Historic Trust seeks to achieve its mission by serving as:

- A leading voice for preservation at the state level.
- A catalyst for preservation and community revitalization activities.
- A full partner in state policy development.
- A technical and financial resource for the stewardship of historic properties.

The Historic Trust currently administers six active programs:

The Garden State Historic Preservation Trust Fund guarantees funding through 2008, allowing the Trust to meet New Jersey's capital preservation needs. Since 2000, nearly \$55 million has been awarded to help preserve 324 landmark properties. This program continues the significant funding of the Historic Preservation Bond Program (1987-1997), which provided more than \$52 million in matching grants to 182 capital preservation projects.

The Cultural Trust Capital Preservation Grant Program awards funds to nonprofit history or humanity organizations for the stabilization, preservation and accessibility improvement projects at historic properties. This program is administered in cooperation with the New Jersey Cultural Trust. Since 2004, the Historic Trust has recommended funding for 31 projects totaling \$560,000 in funding.

The Historic Preservation Revolving Loan Fund provides long-term, low-interest loans for the acquisition, rehabilitation or restoration of historic properties.

The Emergency Grant and Loan Fund provides limited seed funds for critically needed work on endangered historic properties.

The Preservation Easement Program ensures the protection of privately owned historic properties in perpetuity through the use of deed restrictions. Property owners may be eligible for charitable deduction tax benefits through this program.

The New Jersey Legacies Program encourages the donation of historic real estate to the Trust, and donors may realize significant income and estate tax benefits. Donated real estate is protected by historic preservation easements before resale.





STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

# Proclamation

WHEREAS, 2007 marks the 40th anniversary of the creation of the New Jersey Historic Sites Council and the New Jersey Historic Trust, as signed into law by Governor Richard J. Hughes on June 21, 1967, established to promote excellent stewardship for historic resources in the public trust; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Sites Council is a body of 11 citizens appointed by the Governor to advise the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection on the development of a local and statewide broad historic sites preservation program, as well as to offer advice and recommendations on proposed "encroachments" to publicly-held historic resources; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Trust, affiliated with the Department of Community Affairs and governed by a body of 12 citizens appointed by the Governor, advances historic preservation in New Jersey through education, stewardship and financial investment programs and which has, since 1990, awarded more than \$107 million in matching grants in support of more than 500 preservation planning and capital preservation projects; and

WHEREAS, the Historic Sites Council and Historic Trust have set a high standard for professional historic preservation practice and public stewardship of historic resources throughout the state, protecting and preserving structures, districts, landscapes, and archaeological sites; and

WHEREAS, over the course of 40 years, the Council and the Trust have helped encourage historic preservation as a tool for managing growth, revitalizing neighborhoods, fostering local pride and promoting tourism and economic development while maintaining community character and enhancing livability; and

WHEREAS, the Morris County Visitors Center and Friends of Fosterfields are hosting a reception at Fosterfields Living History Farm on May 22, 2007, in celebration of the 40th anniversary of these two entities and acknowledgement of current and former volunteer members; and

WHEREAS, this celebration is an appropriate time to recognize New Jersey's tremendous historic resources and to honor those dedicated individuals who work to save the tangible history of all our communities for the benefit of future generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JON S. CORZINE, Governor of the State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim

MAY 22, 2007

as Celebrate the New Jersey Historic Sites Council and New Jersey Historic Trust Day

in New Jersey in recognition of the 40th anniversary of the establishment of these important bodies, and ask all our residents to join in acknowledging this special observance.

GIVEN, under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Jersey, this twenty-second day of May in the year two thousand seven, the two hundred thirty-first year of the Independence of the United States.

GOVERNOR



BY THE GOVERNOR:





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