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## STILLWATER PARADES INTO FALL

Stillwater, NJ, September 14, 2021 – The Historical Society of Stillwater Township invites everyone to celebrate fall at its 15<sup>th</sup> annual Fall Festival on Saturday, October 9, 2021, held at the Stillwater Elementary School, 904 Stillwater Rd. and at the Academy Museum, 900 Main Street, both in Stillwater, NJ. Kicking off the day will be a parade of antique tractors down Main Street, commencing at 9:30am. The festival will run until 4:30pm and vendors are encouraged to sell their crafts and everyone should consider entering the "Apple Anything Contest"

"Everyone's welcome—young and old, people and pets, families and singles. Just show up and you will feel right at home in Stillwater," said Roy Knutsen, co-chair of the festival. "It's always a lot of fun."

"This year we will be honoring Stillwater-native and long-time mayor, Lisa Chammings. Her dedication to the town has fostered a commitment to the preservation of Stillwater's rich heritage," said Deborah Drumm, Historical Society President and Festival co-chair. "Through Lisa's work with the Historical Society, future generations of Stillwater residents will be able to enjoy this legacy."

The Fall Festival will feature vendors, food served up by the crew at Garris's General Store, a pony ride, hay-wagon ride, Museum tours, music, and games for the kids. Craft beer will be available at the Museum. For the first time in several years, the NJ Parks Dept. will open the Stillwater Grist Mill on Main Street for tours. The grist mill, built in 1844 and listed on the National Register of Historic Properties, was the last working water-powered grist mill in New Jersey, shutting down its turbine in the 1950s. Briefly resurrected in the 1970s by two local farmers, the mill is an excellent example of 19th century sustainable technology, and a rare treat for all.

The Historical Society of Stillwater, established in 1977, is an IRS-recognized 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. Donations to HSST are tax deductible. Ask your accountant or tax preparer for details.