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River Vale Walking
Tour

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Historic Walking Tour planned for May 10th

River Vale Township Historian Ed Moderacki will conduct a walking tour of central River Vale on Saturday, May 10th. The tour will commence in the parking lot of the Town Library at 10 am. and will circle the center of River Vale, encompassing the lands once owned by Abram C. Holdrum. The walking tour is cosponsored by the River Vale Historic Preservation Committee, and the River Vale Public Schools.

Historian Moderacki will point out several historical structures and sites and the locations of buildings and structures that are no longer standing. He will provide details and anecdotes regarding these sites and answer questions relating to River Vale from the pre-Revolutionary period to the present. Participants who have copies of Arcadia Press' **Images of America: River Vale** book are invited to bring it with them. Mr. Moderacki will sign copies upon the conclusion of the walk.

Participants are requested to meet in the parking lot of the Township Library by 10 a.m. The tour will start promptly at that time. Walkers are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather and to wear comfortable shoes. The distance to be covered is 2.1 miles and end at the River Vale Public Library around 12:45 p.m.. In the event of rain, participants can call 201-358-4000 Ext. 2801 for details.

Edmund A. Moderacki has been Township Historian since 1990 and is author of *Images of America, River Vale*, published in 2001. He was chairman of the Township's 75th Anniversary Celebration and has

taught in the River Vale Schools since 1968. Moderacki is the former Adjutant General of the Brigade of the American Revolution and has lectured at historic sites in New Jersey and Pennsylvania on the Baylor Massacre and on art music in Colonial America.

A walking tour of Historic Southern River Vale will be held on Saturday June 7th.