



The Hopewell Valley Historical Society
Presents

HVHS Annual Meeting: House History Research
Sunday, September 29, 2019, 1:30 p.m.
Titusville Presbyterian Church
48 River Drive, Titusville, NJ



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Pam Cain will present a program based on her experience conducting the Historical Society's House Lineage program in the 1980's and 1990's. Her presentation will discuss her methodology for doing the research, with examples, and include some of her interesting findings. The HVHS house plaques on more than 100 Hopewell Valley properties were a direct result of Pam's research.

Pam served the Historical Society as Treasurer and valued board member for many years. The Historical Society was founded in 1975, and early on planned a house tour. Pam and her husband Fred were then living in a Pennington house built in 1839, which they had carefully restored. Pam wanted to learn more about house history, so she got involved in the house tour. Under the direction of the late Phyllis D'Autrechy, archivist for Hunterdon County and noted local historian, she learned how to do the necessary research. Pam's extensive research usually began with the deed and titles of the property. She also examined historical maps, census records, tax records, newspapers, church and cemetery records, and went wherever else her research took her in tracking down the first owners or builders of a building. Pam's research was a valuable resource for researchers, authors, the local schools and local public libraries.

The program is free and open to the public, and appropriate for all ages. For more information, visit www.hopewellvalleyhistory.org. Please RSVP to hvhist@aol.com.