The European Settlement of "Old Hopewell"

Wednesday, April 10, 2024 7:00 pm Presented by Joseph Klett

In person in the Fellowship Hall at the Hopewell Presbyterian Church

The in-person event is free and open to the public - No registration is required. Or to attend the event online via Zoom, please visit *www.hopewellvalleyhistory.org* for more information.



Joseph Klett, Executive Director of the New Jersey State Archives and President of The Hopewell Museum, will discuss the earliest European settlement of "old Hopewell," which included Trenton and Ewing prior to 1720.

Joe will touch upon Indian villages and paths, early roads, civil boundaries, and

the Quaker, Presbyterian, Dutch Reformed, and Baptist families that settled here starting in the late 1600s. He will also highlight early primary sources such as land and probate records, documentation on slave holdings, etc.

Co-sponsored by the Hopewell Valley Historical Society, the Hopewell Museum, and the Hopewell Public Library.







Earliest surviving Hopewell Township Minute Book, 1721

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