



Press Release

Hammonton, NJ (March 23, 2017). On Thursday April 6th, the Historical Society of Hammonton will be welcoming Lorrie and Frank Chappine, owners of the 1891 Queen Anne Victorian home located at 442 Bellevue Avenue. They will be sharing the history of this historic home, showing artifacts and displaying photos from the time of the original owner, Laommi Montfort . The home was later sold to Lillian Jackson thus the "Jackson House" and later owned by her daughter and long time Hammonton High School teacher, Harold Yehl.

The property was in the "tear down" state ,having been uninhabited for 15 years, when purchased. Uncovering the history of the original owners , discovering artifacts of yesteday brought history alive and in the words of Frank, "touched his heart." Completing the restoration took three years of their labor of love and in 2015 it was ready for their occupancy. Within their home are original chestnut doors, sections of hardwood floors and Victorian glass . Furnishings such as a Victrola phonograph, pump organ and 1882 JE Caldwell clock were purchased to authenticate the early time period.

It was a triumphant accomplishment, a treasure for Hammonton and a wonderful story. You are invited to hear it.

Enjoy the evening with friends, HSH members and Frank and Lorrie. Refreshments will be served prior to the program.

About The Historical Society of Hammonton

The Historical Society of Hammonton was established to provide for generations to come a living collection relating to the rich and unique social, political, economic and cultural heritage of the Town of Hammonton, New Jersey. The mission of the society is to increase awareness of history relating to Hammonton, New Jersey environs and to establish public access to that history by collecting, conserving, studying, interpreting and promoting the history to the widest audience.

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