

"Pennington Profile's author Margaret J. O'Connell proudly displays her invitation to the 1960 Presidential inauguration of John F. Kennedy to her high school students."

A PENNINGTON PROFILE : Margaret J. O'Connell Educator, Author, Historian

In-Person at the Pennington School,
Wesley Forum, Kenneth Kai Tai Yen
Humanities Building & via ZOOM

Presenters: Jack Koeppel & Jordan Antebi

Sunday, March 19, 2023 @ 3 pm

Margaret O'Connell was a pioneer in public history, who helped raise awareness for local history and culture, and educated an entire generation of Hopewell Valley students. Most famously, she wrote *Pennington Profile* the Borough's landmark history, which she considered her legacy to the children whom she could no longer teach. This talk highlights the life and legacy of a trailblazing woman whose contributions helped shape today's Valley community, and whose courage in the face of adversity can inspire others today.

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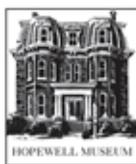
ABOUT THE PRESENTERS



Jack Koeppel is a lifelong Pennington resident with a passion for preservation. In the 1980's Mr. Koeppel developed an interest in local history and began uncovering dozens of old photographs and other historical artifacts pertaining to Hopewell Valley's past. While serving as a trustee of the Hopewell Valley Historical Society he, along with other dedicated members, established a permanent collection dedicated to preserving these items. The collection continues to grow.

A lifelong Pennington resident, Jordan Antebi received his A.B. degree in History from Princeton University. His undergraduate thesis was the recipient of the Paul A. Stellhorn New Jersey History Award, as well as the C.O. Joline Prize in American History and the Dean Hank Dobin Prize in Community Based Scholarship. As a high school student, he also worked with Hopewell Valley educators to develop a local history curriculum supplement for the public schools. Currently, Jordan serves as a volunteer trustee of the Lawrence Hopewell Trail and is a lifetime member of the Hopewell Valley Historical Society.

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