



## The Historical Society of Hilltown Township

**Sunday Open House**  
**April 14, 2024, 1:30-4:00**  
**w/presentation @ 2:00 Keith Schaffer, Dowser**

For many centuries, dowsing was the means to find water. In fact, you were considered a fool NOT to consult a dowser when looking for water. Up to the late 1800s, dowsers were in demand, using a Y rod or two L rods to locate water. Join Keith Schaffer as he demonstrates the art of dowsing, and try your hand dowsing on the Strassburger Farmstead property. Up to 99% of people can dowse, come out and see what you find!



**Sunday Open House**  
**May 5, 2024, 1:30-4:00**  
**w/presentation @ 2:00**  
**One Room Schoolhouses**

Did your school have running water? Was your bathroom inside? Was your teacher in charge of heating the room? What was the age range of students in your classroom? Come out and hear the tales and experiences of students who attended some of Hilltown's one room schools. The schools typically contained one teacher instructing eight grades at once! This practice ended in the early 1950s, when Margaret Seyler Elementary School took the place of nine separate one room schoolhouses. Old Hilltown school memorabilia will be on display.



**Sunday Open House, June 9, 2024,**  
**1:30-4:00 w/presentation @ 2:00**  
**Secrets of the Strassburger Farmstead**

You may have wandered through our buildings at an Open House or Fall Festival. Maybe not. Some secrets and mysteries exist that might be of interest to you. Is that a date stone covered up with an eagle? What is in the 1868 locked painted chest? What does that painted symbol on a bedroom wall mean? Can you find the window that used to be a doorway? Join Bill Stahl as he takes you through a virtual tour of the buildings, (you can sit in a chair!). He has spent hundreds of hours working on these buildings and has an intimate knowledge of them. After his program, you can wander through on your own.

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 407 Keystone Dr. & Bethlehem Pk.,  
 Sellersville, Pa. 18960  
 Free, donations appreciated  
 Info: 267-614-9174  
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**Rags to Riches**  
**Wednesday, April 24, 2024 @ 7:00 pm**

Join author and speaker Julie Henning as she shares her life story. Born in South Korea in 1953, her mother devoted herself to raising her daughter alone. When she died, Julie, studying and living at the Pearl S. Buck Opportunity Center in Korea, caught the attention of the Nobel Prize author who brought Julie to live in her Hilltown estate. Hear her story, which started in poverty and who is now a renowned speaker for the cause of other Amerasians. Her book, 'A Rose in a Ditch' will be available for purchase.

**This Event will be held at Hilltown Township Building**  
 13 W. Creamery Rd. & Rt. 152,  
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