

EDENTON, N.C. — On Jan. 11, 2013, architectural historian Michael Worthington announced to an enthused audience, “The felling date for the timbers used in this building was in the winter of 1718-19.” They were standing in front of the oldest house in North Carolina. Steve and Linda Lane, ardent preservationists who owned the house, were in the audience. They fully understood the significance of this discovery.

After his wife's death, Lane decided to donate the house with an endowment in her memory to ensure its future. This gift will become a major contribution to learning and understanding Edenton's amazing history.

An open house takes place at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018, at 304 E. Queen St. in Edenton. After the open house, restoration specialist Reid Thomas will lead a discussion about the significance of the discovery at the 1767 Courthouse with remarks by Steve Lane. A reception featuring Colonial-era food follows.

For more information, call 252-482-7800.

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