



## **Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's *Eighth Annual Meeting***

Thursday, October 22, 2015  
The Wamsutta Club, New Bedford, MA  
5:30 to 8 p.m.

### **Meeting Agenda**

- I. Call to Order by President [Diane Gilbert]
- II. Approval of Minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting
- III. Nominations and Vote on Slate of Officers and Directors [Dan Perry]
- IV. President/Treasurer's Report [Diane Gilbert]
- V. DHPT Update
- VI. Featured Presentation by Peggi Medeiros

### ***New Bedford Mansions, Historic Tales of County Street***

- VII. Reception with refreshments and cash bar



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**III. Nominations and Vote on Slate of Officers and Directors**

**DHPT's OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
For Nomination and Ratification**

[term expiration in brackets]

**President and Treasurer: Diane M. Gilbert [2017]**

**Vice President: Daniel C. Perry, Esq. [2017]**

**Clerk: Margaret E. "Peggi" Medeiros [2015]**

**Robert Barboza [2017]**

**Brenda Dias [2017]**

***Grace Labossiere [2018]***

**Eileen "Ellie" Marland, Ph.D. [2017]**

**Dr. J Greer McBratney and Steve Dupre have resigned since our last annual meeting. We thank them for their many years of support and service.**



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**IV. President/Treasurer's Report**

**Balances as of January 1, 2014**

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 14,870.55-
The Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund	\$ 18,615.41
Akin House Account	\$ 2,812.62
Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 5,054.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 41,352.58</b>

**Balances as of December 31, 2014**

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 5,770.08	<b>-\$ 9,100.47</b>
Fundraising Account [new]	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
The Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund	\$ 15,720.41	<b>-\$ 2,895.00</b>
Akin House Account	\$ 2,812.62	0.00
Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,054.00	\$ 5,000.00
<b>total</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 36,357.11</b>
		<b>-\$ 4,995.47</b>

\* DHPT Fiscal Year is Calendar Year.

◇\$1,900 set aside for future education programs in memory of Beverly Glennon.



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IV. President/Treasurer's Report

January 1 through December 31, 2014

*Revenue: Contributions, gifts, grants, memberships*

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 9,845.00
Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund	\$ 12,140.00
Akin House	\$ 0.00
Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 5,000.00

*Total Revenue: \$ 26,985.00*

*Expenses:*

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	
Akin House: Alarm System, Nstar Electric	\$ 586.20
Akin House: Lawn and property	\$ 1,919.90
Professional fees, contractors, web design	\$ 12,495.80
Printing, publishing, postage	\$ 672.57
Other expenses: P.O. Box, filing fees, other fees	\$ 271.00

*Sub-Total \$ 15,945.47*

Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund [various repairs and improvements]

*Sub-Total \$ 16,035.00*

*Total Expenses: \$ 31,980.47*



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**IV. President/Treasurer's Report**

**Balances as of January 1, 2015**

<b>DHPT Cash (Ops) Account</b>	<b>\$ 5,770.08</b>
<b>DHPT Fundraising Account</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00*</b>
<b>The Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund</b>	<b>\$ 15,720.41</b>
<b>Akin House Account</b>	<b>\$ 2,812.62</b>
<b>Preservation Restriction Endowment</b>	<b>\$ 10,054.00**</b>
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>\$ 36,357.11</b>

\* New account established in 2015 to capture dhpt.org donations; required transfer from ops account

\*\* Endowment for two PRs, Dartmouth Y Barn and 1871 Schoolhouse on Russell's Mills



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**IV. President/Treasurer's Report**

**Balances as of September 30, 2015**

<b>DHPT Cash (Ops) Account</b>	<b>\$ 3,222.78</b>
<b>DHPT Fundraising Account</b>	<b>\$ 4,344.15</b>
<b>The Wamsutta Club Preservation Fund</b>	<b>\$ 3,685.41*</b>
<b>Akin House Account</b>	<b>\$ 2,812.62</b>
<b>Preservation Restriction Endowment</b>	<b>\$ 10,054.00</b>
<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b>\$ 24,118.96</b>

\* Wamsutta Preservation Fund will be dissolved as of 12/31/15.



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### V. DHPT Update

#### **dhpt.org launched in November 2014**

- One time cost of \$5,000; \$29/month hosting fee
- To be competitive with other non-profits
- Integrate with social media to cast a broader net

### **Events at the Akin House and Partnership with Dartmouth Schools**

Presented the Akin House Living History Programs in Eight Unit Plans to the Dartmouth School superintendent and staff for use in social studies education. [Developed by Roger Williams University department of education by social studies class.]



June: Held a Treasure Hunt for children at the Akin House with a local history theme.

June: Hosted third grade class of over 100 from the Quinn School as part of the local heritage tour featuring the Akin House and other historic sites.





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V. DHPT Update (continued)

**Events at the Akin House**

Local History Lessons using a  
Treasure Hunt





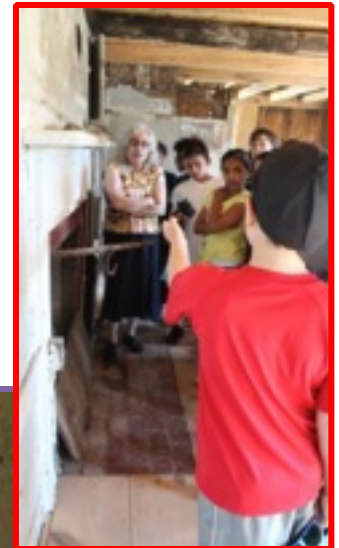
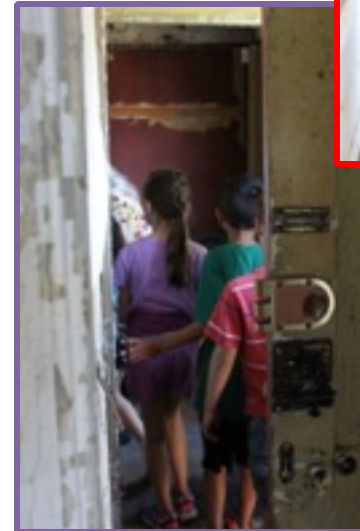


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V. DHPT Update (continued)

**Events at the Akin House**

Quinn School Third Graders  
Visit the Akin House





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### V. DHPT Update (continued)

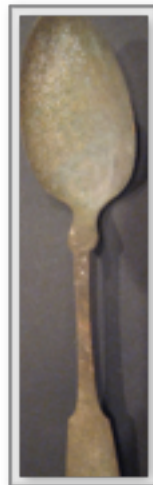
### Progress toward a Cultural Heritage Center and Educational Facility at the Akin House



- Phase III of the Akin House Preservation and Restoration Recommended by the Community Preservation Committee, Select Board, and the Finance Committee, and approved by Town Meeting in June 2015, total of \$265,000
- Timetable: Autumn 2015 through Autumn 2016



2006, end of Phase I



2009, Phase II



June 2015



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### V. DHPT Update (continued)

#### Phase III - Progress toward a Cultural Heritage Center and Educational Facility at the Akin House



During the first half of 2015, we concentrated our efforts on planning and developing our proposal to obtain Community Preservation Act funds for Phase III of the restoration work. Our application was approved in June 2015.

Phase III is the final but most critical phase of restoration, which concentrates on refinishing the building's interiors and fireplaces according to the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Historic Treatment of Properties. The plans also include much needed barrier free access in compliance with the Americans for Disabilities Act, with walkways and a stone ramp, leading into the historic house.

Without safe and secure public access, this historic property cannot serve the community properly or realize its full potential as one of the town's most important cultural resources and heritage landmarks.

Once this important phase is completed, the Akin House will be open to visitors on a limited basis and by appointment (comparable to other local house museums) for tours, educational programs and events for all to safely enjoy. Where we may differ is we have no paid staff.

***"The little house with a big story to tell"*** is owned by the Town and belongs to the citizens of Dartmouth. DHPT in a lease arrangement with the Town operates as its temporary stewards.



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**Why is your membership and your donations  
so important?**

DHPT's responsibilities include the stewardship and maintenance of the Akin House. As a lessee, we are expected to pay for expenses not covered under the Community Preservation Act or included in our CPA grant.

These expenses include:

- operating expenses required of a non-profit
- ongoing maintenance of the Akin House, e.g., building upkeep as needed such as painting, shingling, repairs, post-CPA.
- property cleaning, lawn care, landscaping, future garden caretaking, etc.
- utilities, e.g., electricity for heating & lighting, alarm system, town water, etc.
- education initiatives and materials

**We Depend on Volunteers and In-Kind Services**

Second to the restoration of the Akin House, DHPT's key mission is to provide local history education using the Akin House as a center of learning to bring Dartmouth's history to life. Property will be used collaboratively with other local history groups and educators.

You may contribute directly and conveniently through [dhpt.org](http://dhpt.org).

**THANK YOU!**