

Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's *Annual Meeting*

Thursday, October 3, 2019

The Akin House, 762 Dartmouth Street, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Meeting Agenda

- I. Call to Order by President [Diane Gilbert]**
- II. Approval of Minutes of the 2018 Annual Meeting**
- III. Nominations and Vote on Slate of Officers and Directors [Dan Perry]**
- IV. President/Treasurer's Report [Diane Gilbert]**
- V. Featured Presentation**



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II. Approval of Minutes of the October 4, 2018 Annual Meeting

1. President Diane Gilbert called the Meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of the October 18, 2017 Meeting

Daniel C. Perry presented a motion to accept the Minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Robert Barboza passing unanimously.

3.a Nominations and Vote for Slate of Officers

Mr. Perry asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Being none, Mr. Perry presented the following slate of officers to the membership: President: Diane M. Gilbert [2020]; Vice President: Daniel C. Perry [2020]; Clerk: Margaret E. (Peggi) Medeiros [2021]; Assistant Treasurer Brenda Dias [2020].

Mr. Perry presented a motion nominating the slate of officers, directing the acting clerk, Diane Gilbert, to cast one ballot. Seconded by Robert Barboza, the motion passed unanimously.

3.b Nominations and Vote for Slate of Directors

Mr. Perry presented a motion nominating the slate for board members, Eileen Marland, Ph.D. [2020]; Susan Guiducci [2021]; Robert Barboza [2020] directing the acting clerk to cast one ballot. Brenda Dias seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Mr. Perry declared the nominations and vote closed.

4. President/Treasurer's Report

Ms. Gilbert reported on DHPT's financials for the CY 2017 and YTD 2018. Reports were distributed noting that the 2018 Annual Meeting Report will be added to the website, www.dhpt.org.

Ms. Gilbert announced that a \$13,000 grant was awarded to DHPT by the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Cynthia Woods Mitchell Foundation for Historic Interiors to carefully preserve & protect the sitting room & surrounding trim finishes which contain rare decorative features. The most remarkable are original & rare wallpaper adhered to the 18th C. oak & pine wall substrate. Chris Shelton of Mussey Associates, Inc. was retained to examine the room and to develop a conservation plan.

The main event of this meeting was a tour of the Akin House. Prior to the tour, Ms. Gilbert provided an overview of the interior and exterior work, recently completed, pointing to the house's noteworthy features, including the functioning cooking hearth, the reframed buttry and small chamber off the keeping or gathering room.

5. Ms. Dias presented a motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting, seconded by Mr. Perry, at 5:20 p.m. A tour of the house followed.



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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 [2020]
Vice President: Daniel C. Perry, Esq. [2020]
Clerk: Margaret E. "Peggi" Medeiros [2021]
Assistant Treasurer: Brenda Dias [2020]

Directors: *Brian Santos* [2022]
Susan Guiducci [2021]
Eileen "Ellie" Marland, Ph.D. [2020]

With gratitude to Robert Barboza for his years of service to the Board. His passion for local history and interest in sharing his knowledge has been invaluable. Thanks Bob!



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Financial Statement

*For Calendar Year 2018

Balances as of January 1, 2018

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 14,089.10
**Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,054.00

Total \$ 24,143.10

Balances as of December 31, 2018

**DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 18,048.91
***Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,054.81
NTHP Grant (Sept. 2018: \$13,000, Nov. 2018 paid out \$2,280.00)	\$ 10,721.22

Total \$ 38,824.94 Net Change: \$14,681.84

*DHPT's Fiscal Year is Calendar Year. **Changed banks from Citizens Bank to BayCoast Bank in October 2018 officially closed the Citizens account on December 31, 2018. BayCoast is interest bearing. Financials are merged. ***DHPT holds and monitors two historic preservation restrictions: 1) Dartmouth YMCA Historic barn facility (original footprint) on Gulf Road; 2) Russell's Mills Schoolhouse exterior fabric located in the heart of Russell's Mills Village. Approved by the Massachusetts Historical Commission in perpetuity.



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Financial Statement

January 1 through December 31, 2018

Revenue: Contributions, gifts, memberships

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$	21,516.59.
PR Endowment	\$.81
NTHP Grant (Sept. 2018 \$13,000.)	\$	1.22

Total Revenue: \$ 21,518.62

[With Grant incl., Total Revenue: \$34,518.62]

Expenses:

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account		
Akin House: Alarm System, Lighting		
Upgrade, Eversource Electric.....	\$	1,626.97
Akin House: Lawn and property.....	\$	660.00
Printing, publishing, postage.....	\$	125.45
Web-based expenses.....	\$	880.80
Port-o-Jon, Cleaning Supplies.....	\$	510.06
Fees, P. O. Box, Rev. 250 donation.....	\$	353.50
Consultant fee (Mussey Assoc.).....	\$	400.00
NTHP Grant Account (Mussey Assoc.).....	\$	2,280.00

Total Expenses: \$ 6,836.78

Net Change: \$14,681.84



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Financial Picture

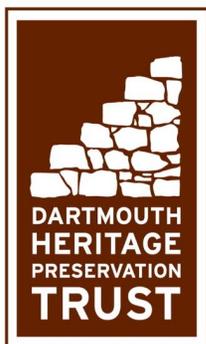
In 2019, DHPT Announced a Mid-Summer Challenge Grant to Raise \$4,000 by August 31, 2019 to Benefit the Akin Property with two Anonymous Donors Committing to Match Donations Dollar for Dollar up to \$4,000.

Unfortunately, we didn't meet our goal of \$2,000 but we raised about half which will be matched. Thanks to all who met the challenge grant. We will be issuing a membership drive and annual appeal at year's end.

Your donations are tax-exempt to the extent allowed by applicable laws.

Your Membership (support) and Donations (sustainability) Matter!

Thank You!



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's

Financial Picture

Balances as of September 30, 2019

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 3,917.08
NTHP Account	\$ 1,514.16
Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,062.32
<i>Total</i>	<i>\$ 15,493.56</i>

DHPT is an all-volunteer grass-roots organization which manages the 1762 Akin House. It provides in-kind services to support the organization's operations, including but not limited to pro-bono legal costs, marketing & communications, website content, postage, forms & supplies, planning, and outreach. Without in-kind services, expenses would be higher, and this organization would not be sustainable. The pending Akin House lease between the Town and DHPT will require more financial obligations.

Your Donations Matter More than Ever!

Thank You!



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's

Accomplishments 2019

Fundraising from December 2018 to 2019 Year to Date enabled us to invest in the Akin property and meet our programming goals.

Heritage Landscaping

May 2019: Following a selection process, property grading, clean-up, other extensive land preparation work, and landscaping started in May 2019. Shaun Muldoon was hired.

Dressed granite stones, boulders and other stones on the property were sat aside for future use. Hydroseeding and regular watering on the property ensued.

Spring 2020: A heritage garden is planned with stepping stones and other features. We hope to persuade volunteers who are avid gardeners to work with us.

Many thanks to Ruth Furman who consulted with me on this project and for presenting a vision.





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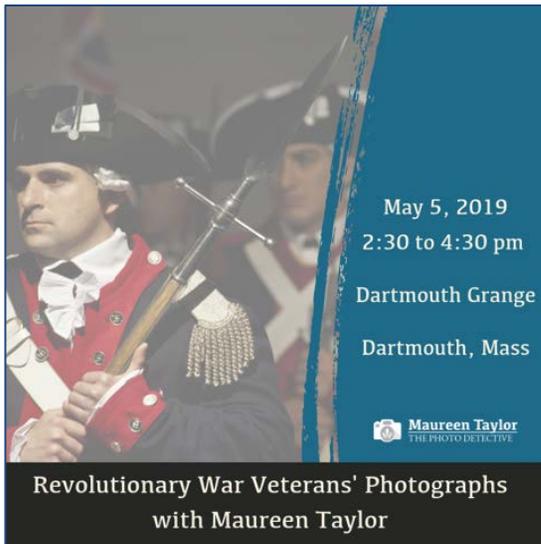
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Special Events

The Photo Detective®

In spite of a deluge on Sunday, May 5, we had a great turnout to hear Maureen Taylor at the Dartmouth Grange.



Maureen's *Last Muster Project* brings into close focus the lives of those Revolutionary War heroes who did extraordinary things to win the War of Independence. These men and women survived long after the war's end to have their images captured in daguerreotype and to have their stories told in the volumes of Maureen's *The Last Muster* series.





Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Accomplishments 2019



On Sunday, June 23, under blue skies and bright sunshine, DHPT hosted a living history event at the Akin House, “Never Idle Hands—Living in Early America.” This gathering was so successful that we plan to do it again next year. Date in June TBD.



Special thanks to Brian Santos who worked with DHPT to help plan and organize this event, and to all the participants and re-enactors.



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Building Security

Wayne Electric & Alarm Systems hired to install a wireless system with monitoring to protect the Akin House. It is convenient, includes the latest technology and covers the house from top to bottom. This installation replaced an outdated system.

Audio/Visual Technology

DHPT purchased a state-of-the-art Epson-brand Projector and a Screen for presentations and other uses, after an analysis of various products.

So far, the Akin House is not equipped with ITS OWN wireless (internet) capabilities. An investigation of various options proved not to be cost-effective this year but again will be pursued in 2020.



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Featured Presentation

A significant accomplishment of 2019 centered on the small parlor, funded by a grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund for Historic Interiors.

During 2018, Chris Shelton of Mussey & Associates conducted an onsite examination, analyzed of paint and other surfaces, stabilized the ceiling, made recommendations on paint compatible to original paint colors, released an examination report, and developed a conservation plan.

He recommended Studio TKM to conduct the conservation and preservation of the wallcoverings. After an initial meeting between Chris and Studio TKM, a handoff was made to Studio TKM to complete the rest of the work.



Featured Presentation by Studio TKM's Lorraine Bigrigg and Deborah LaCamera

Many of you have followed the story of discovery of the wall coverings found in the small parlor in August 2017. (Updates were posted on our website along the way.) For months, we have grappled to determine the best way to address this room, i.e., to protect, preserve, and display appropriately and carefully for future generations.

To walk you through their process and findings, including scientific analyses in partnership with the MFA, we are pleased to introduce **Lorraine Bigrigg and Deborah LaCamera**, senior partners and conservators of fine art & historic works on paper, of Studio TKM Associates, Inc. of Somerville, MA.

Lorraine and Deborah received their training at graduate programs in conservation and at institutional conservation departments. They belong to national and international professional organizations, and remain current with developments in conservation practice by regularly attending and contributing to professional conferences, publications, and advanced training seminars and workshops.

