

Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's *Annual Meeting*

Monday, October 24, 2022

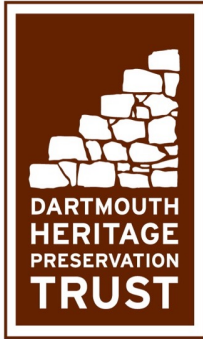
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Location: North Dartmouth Library
211 Cross Road, Dartmouth, MA 02747**



Meeting Agenda

- I. Call to Order by President [Diane Gilbert]**
- II. Approval of Minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting**
- III. Nominations and Vote on Slate of Officers and Directors
[Dan Perry]**
- IV. President/Treasurer's Report [Diane Gilbert]**
- V. Featured Presentation—Eric Jay Dolin**



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II. Review and Approval of Minutes of the November 8, 2021 Annual Meeting (virtually presented on ZOOM)

1. **President Diane Gilbert called the Meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.**

2. **Approval of Minutes of the October 21, 2020 Meeting**

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

3. **Nominations and Vote for Slate of Officers and Directors**

Mr. Perry asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Being none, Mr. Perry presented the following **Slate of Officers:**

President: Diane M. Gilbert [2023]; Vice President: Atty. Daniel C. Perry [2023]; Clerk/Asst Treasurer: Brenda Dias [2023]. **Slate of Directors:**

Brian Santos [2022]; Susan Guiducci [2021]; Eileen "Ellie" Marland, PhD [2023]; and new director Chris Santos [2024], a paramedic/firefighter for the Town of Bourne; active in local scout troops, and educator at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy.

Mr. Perry presented a motion nominating the slate of Officers and Directors, directing the Clerk to cast one ballot. Seconded by Brian Santos, the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Perry declared the nominations and vote closed.

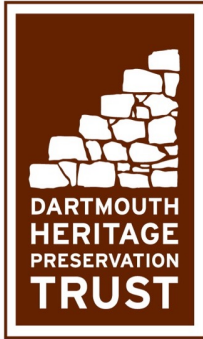
Ms. Gilbert announced the resignation of Peggi Medeiros from the board who had served as a DHPT founder since 2007. Her tireless dedication to DHPT and her research on behalf of the Akin House stand as her invaluable legacy.

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

Ms. Gilbert reported on DHPT's financials for the CY 2020 and YTD 2021 with accomplishments from the prior year, stating the PowerPoint presentation will be available on the website, www.dhpt.org. Due to Covid, the Akin House was closed but the property was maintained with a small kitchen garden planted near the rear entry of the house with help from horticulturalist Ruth Furman. Under the direction of local preservation carpenter, Nathaniel Allen, local Scout troop 2019 built benches for the house using early tool and techniques. Ms. Gilbert also announced that the lease to the property by the Town was renewed until June 30, 2024.

5. **Mr. Perry presented a motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting, seconded by Mr. Santos, at 6:30 p.m.**

6. **Featured Presentation:** Ms. Gilbert delivered a PowerPoint presentation on the *Life and Times of Richard Albert Canfield (1855-1914), A Retrospective of a Man's Life Captured in Headlines*. The great grandson of Akin House namesake, Elihu Akin (1720-1794), Canfield travelled as a boy from New Bedford to the old homestead to visit his grandmother, Hannah Howland Akin (1797-1889). A man of the Gilded Age with a reputation as a notorious gambler and cunning businessman, he made his fortune running illicit gambling houses in Newport, New York City, and Saratoga Springs, NY. A bon vivant and patron of the arts, he owned the second largest private collection of paintings by James Abbott McNeil Whistler, now part of the collection at the Frick in New York City.



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III. Nominations and Vote on Slate of Officers and Directors

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

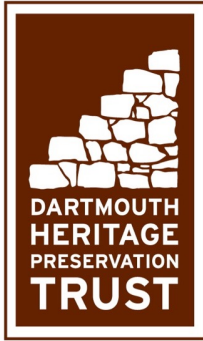
[term expiration in brackets]

President and Treasurer: Diane M. Gilbert [2023]

Vice President: Daniel C. Perry, Esq. [2023]

Clerk/Asst Treasurer: Brenda Dias [2023]

Directors: Brian Santos [2025]
Susan Guiducci [2024]
Eileen "Ellie" Marland, Ph.D. [2023]
Kerri Santos [2025] (replacing Chris Santos)
Steve Dupre [2025] (returning board member)



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Financial Statement

*For Calendar Year 2021

Balances as of January 1, 2021

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 12,833.89
**Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,074.96
***Grant Account	\$ 14.19

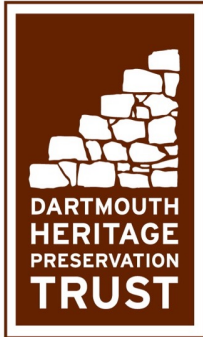
Total \$ 22,923.04

Balances as of December 31, 2021

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 15,150.67
**Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,085.03
***Grant Account	\$ 14.19

Total \$ 25,249.89 Net Change: \$ 2,326.85

*DHPT's Fiscal Year is Calendar Year. **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. ***Grant Account remains open and will be used for future grant awards.



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January 1 through December 31, 2021

Revenue: Contributions, gifts, memberships

DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 6,978.30
PR Endowment (interest only)	\$ 10.07
Grant Account (interest ineligible)	\$ 0.00

Total Revenue: \$ 6,988.37

Expenses: (DHPT Cash (Ops) Account)

Akin House:

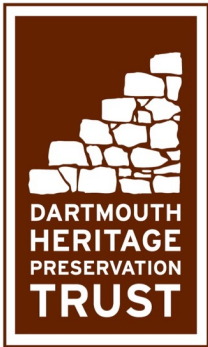
Wireless Alarm System \$360.00	}	<u>TOTAL Akin House: \$3,638.56</u>
Eversource Electric \$295.56		
Lawn care (maintenance) \$1,740.00		
A1 Exterminators \$576.00		
Chubb Insurance \$667.00		

DHPT Operations:

Website expenses \$523.00	}	<u>TOTAL DHPT Operations: \$1,023.16</u>
Printing \$219.00		
Zoom Account \$191.16		
Filing Fees \$90.00		

Total Expenses: \$ 4,661.72 (Variance \$2,326.65)

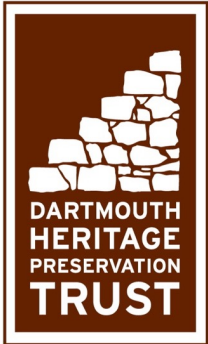
Note: Marketing & communications, fundraising costs, website editing, and P. O. Box for 2021: in-kind services.



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Financial Picture

Balances as of September 30, 2022

		9/30/21	9/30/20
DHPT Cash (Ops) Account	\$ 11,180.71	\$ 11,972.69	\$ 8,801.22
Preservation Restriction Endowment	\$ 10,092.57	\$ 10,082.49	\$ 10,072.41
Grant Account	\$ 14.19	\$ 14.19	\$ 14.19
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Total	\$21,287.47	\$ 22,069.37	\$18,887.82
	(variance – \$ 781.90)		(variance \$3,181.55)



Dartmouth Heritage Preservation Trust's Milestones

DHPT is 15 years old and the Akin House is 260 years old

The Akin House as a “study house” is inherently an artifact in its own right. An 18th century cultural resource, it's also a “Witness Site” to the Revolutionary Times. www.rev250.org



House Tour Saturday after Thanksgiving in Partnership with the Scouts Selling Popular Holiday Wreaths (2021)



2022 Event Planned for Saturday, November 26, 2022

The Akin House Was Featured in ***Early American Life***'s August 2022 Issue

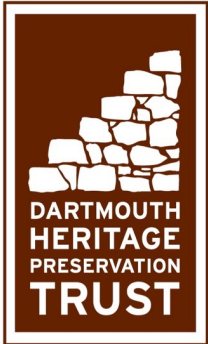
House Tours and “Never Idle Hands-Living in Early America”

Maintenance on Akin House: exterior trim and windows

Antique Items Donated to the Akin House valued at \$425.



DHPT Made Every Effort to Exercise Caution During the Covid Pandemic



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Looking Ahead 2023



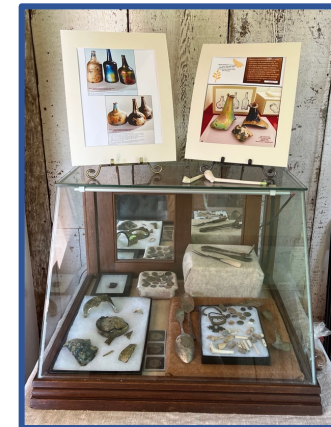
Ongoing Tours of the Akin House and “Never Idle Hands-Living in Early America” in June (Artisan Demonstrations, Re-Enactors, and Living History Programming)

Plan Other Living History Programs with Partner Organizations

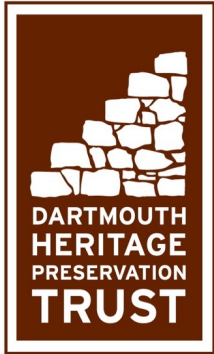


Hire Public Archaeology Lab of Pawtucket, RI To: Curate and Formalize the Collection of Akin House Artifacts

- Organize, Identify, and Catalogue
- Create Database of Artifact Details for Reference
- Improve Didactic Displays to Integrate with House History and Its Inhabitants; to Better Interpret Historic Periods



Continued Maintenance of the Akin House and Landscaping. It Never Ends!



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**WITH GRATITUDE TO ALL DONORS
AND SUPPORTERS!**

*To Donate, for Progress Reports, and DHPT News,
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and Visit www.dhpt.org.*

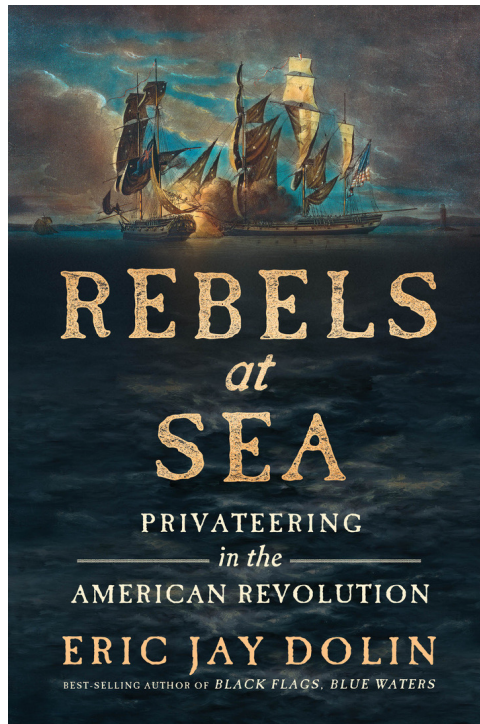
For a Tour of the Akin House by Appointment or For Any Other Reason,
Contact: Diane M. Gilbert, d.m.gilbert51@gmail.com, (508) 965-7265.

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Featured Presentation by Eric Jay Dolin



Join us in welcoming the respected author and historian, Eric Jay Dolin, as he takes us on an exciting journey within the pages of a deeply researched and illustrated history of privateering in the American Revolution, *Rebels at Sea*.

Eric Jay Dolin is the author of fifteen books, including *Leviathan: The History of Whaling in America*, which was chosen as one of the best nonfiction books of 2007 by the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Boston Globe*. His most recent book before *Rebels at Sea* is *A Furious Sky: The Five-Hundred-Year History of America's Hurricanes*, which was a finalist for the Kirkus Prize, and was chosen as one of the best books of the year by *The Washington Post*, *Booklist*, and *Library Journal*. It was also selected as a "Must Read" book by the Massachusetts Center for the Book for 2020. A graduate of Brown, Yale, and MIT, where he received his PhD in environmental policy, Dolin lives in Marblehead, Massachusetts.